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Volunteer Information Package

January 23 to February 2, 2017



<http://www.sleddogsport.net/world-championships/>

Available Volunteer Positions

Food Services

Become everyone's favourite person as part of the team lead by Diane the Cookhouse Restaurant Manager and help feed our volunteers, competitors, officials, talent, veterinarians, spectators. Duties may include but are not limited to cooking/BBQing, serving food and/or alcohol, cleaning, clearing of tables, washing dishes, clearing of garbage. Positions will be primarily outdoors as well as inside a heated tent therefore you should be prepared for the weather as well as to be on your feet.

First Aid Attendant

Are you a nurse, doctor, trained first aider? Then you will fit into a number of different positions! Checkpoint attendants, onsite first aider services for spectators, athletes and volunteers, etc... Our team of first aiders will be lead by Doctor Lowell Greib of the SportsLab out of Huntsville.

Parking Attendant

Be the face spectators see first when they arrive at the event. Meet and greet them with a smile, collect their parking fees, hand out their admission buttons and help them park. This position would require knowledge of the shuttle schedule, best view points for spectators and general information about the event. Training will be provided by our parking specialists Mike Thompson, Ray Nicks and our volunteer liaison Thomas McKay.

Dog Handler and Dog Yard Attendant

Surround yourself with dogs, dogs and more dogs. In this position you will be assisting competing teams by foot to the start line. This can be a very physically demanding job that requires a high level of comfort with dogs. This position will also double as assisting teams to park as they arrive and to help them get out at the end of day. Lead by Pete Cundall you will be trained with proper dog handling skills and start line etiquette as well as assisting him in keeping track of teams and timing to get teams to the start line.

Merchandise Sellers

Want to be part of the action but have a bit more of a cushy job? Why not man our merchandise table? Rub shoulders with spectators and athletes alike that are looking to buy that perfect souvenir. Other responsibilities may include selling of opening and closing ceremony tickets as well as musher banquet tickets.

Housekeeping

As you can imagine our accommodations will be packed and our facilities will see higher than normal traffic which will take a dedicated team, lead by Penny Dawson, to keep things in order. We are specifically looking for folks to help with the change over on Sunday, January 29 when we move from Sprint Classes to Mid-Distance and Long Distance Races. We will have a full turn over requiring at least 2 staff and 2 volunteers to help strip beds, collect garbage, wash dishes, vacuum, etc...

Veterinarians, Veterinarian Technicians and Assistants – Please see <http://canada-mushing.ca/veterinarians-needed-for-upcoming-ifss-world-championship-in-haliburton-ontario/> for more information.

Checkpoint Attendant

Do you enjoy being out on a beautiful winters day in the middle of the woods? Maybe you are a photographer, a survival “expert”, a snowmobiler, a winter camper, a snowshoer/cross-country skier? Do you think that maybe the action at Base Camp (start/finish line and dog yard) might be a bit overwhelming but want to still enjoy watching as teams go by in the solitude of the forest? Then I have a position for you. As a checkpoint attendant you will either drive your own atv or snowmobile or be shuttled out to a location along the race route preferably for the day. You will have the very important role of making sure mushers are heading in the right direction and in some instances that snowmobiles are staying off the trail system. Training and supervision will be lead by Cameron Ferguson. He will teach you the in and outs, make sure you know exactly where to stand and what to do as teams race by. You will also have to be able to differentiate between different classes and the direction they need to go operating a moveable gate in some instances.

Dog Yard ATV Driver

Have your own ATV? Enjoy the power your ATV has as well as the strength of a dog sled team! Machine versus animal! Then we have a job for you. Lead by Pete Cundall:

In the afternoon of January 24, 25 & 26 for about an hour we will require 6 to 12 people, on their own ATVs that would be willing to hook one dog sled team at a time to the front of their ATV and slowly guide them down to the start line. Teams will have anywhere from 12 to 22 dogs.

In the morning/early afternoon of January 30, 31 and February 1 we will required 6-12 people, on their own ATVs to help guide teams of 8 to 12 dogs to the start line. January 30 would be about 1-2 hours and January 31 and February 1 about 1 hour.

Long Distance Continuous Race - January 30 to February 1

Ready for the ultimate winter adventure? For this particular race we will require three stations with six volunteers at each. Preference will be given for the following positions to those able to stay overnight 2 nights in a rustic shelter cabin, similar to overnight winter camping in a Prospector tent. Meals will be provided, as well as a place for everyone to take turns sleeping. Each checkpoint will be staffed by:

- **One Veterinarian** – Please see above for more details.
- **One IFSS Appointed Official**
- **One Checkpoint Lead** – Are you a person that thrives on keeping things in order and organized? Are you constantly checking your watch to see what time it is? Do you enjoy using radios to communicate? Maybe you just enjoy walking around with a clipboard in hand? Then this position is for you. Checkpoint leads will be the primary person to check competitors in and out of checkpoints. Needing to record specific times in and out and reporting back to Base Camp.
- **One Cook** – You will be everyone’s favourite person. Your job will be to make sure all 6 volunteers at the checkpoint are fed and watered.
- **Two Checkpoint Assistants** – Assistants will be assisting as needed with vet duties, cooking, warming water for racers and their dogs, communications, dog handling, etc... preference will be given to those with some form of valid first aid background and veterinarian technicians. Must also be comfortable handling dogs.

How do I Become a Volunteer?

As you can imagine it will take a whole team of dedicated and hard working volunteers to pull this event off. We look forward to having you join our team!

To become a volunteer please make sure to first read the volunteer position descriptions below and then submit your preference, available dates and times through our online registration form <https://surveys.haliburtonforest.com/index.php/685254>

Schedule of Events

Full schedule of events can be found at <http://www.worlddogsleddingchampionships.ca/schedule/>

**Schedule will be updated accordingly with times once competitor numbers start rolling in.

Where to Stay

Onsite winter camping for volunteers and competitors will be free of charge with their own gear. Please let Tegan know if you plan to camp.



Due to the high volume of racers, their teams and volunteers Haliburton Forest will not be able to accommodate everyone onsite therefore Pinestone Resort & Conference Centre has offered Fairway Rooms http://www.pinestone-resort.com/rooms-en.html#item_41 at a rate of \$117.00 per room, per night, plus HST. Pinestone Resort is located 36 kilometres south of Haliburton Forest. Reservations can be made by emailing Cindy Makepeace at cindy@pinestone-resort.com.

Other Accommodations

- For **Nearby Cottage Rentals** visit <http://kennisiscottagerentals.com/>
- Shawn Janke has a leased trailer site within Haliburton Forest that can sleep up to 10 volunteers and/or athletes. He and his wife will be staying in their trailer during but are more than happy to have others join them. He can be contacted at 705-344-1993 or via email shawnjanke77@hotmail.com.
- For a full listing of accommodations in the area visit <http://www.myhaliburtonhighlands.com/#!a-place-to-sleep/h11o4>

Thank you for considering to volunteer at this world class event. We look forward to working with you,

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