

# OSLER BLUFF SKI CLUB



# NOTICE TO ALL USERS OF THESE FACILITIES ASSUMPTION OF RISKS AND WAIVER PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!

The facility user confirms that he or she is aware that skiing, snowboarding, snow shoeing and participating in other activities involving the use of the property and facilities of The Osler Bluff Ski Club Limited ("Osler") involve many risks, danger and hazards, including but not limited to the following: riding, embarking and disembarking lifts; variable conditions, including weather and snow conditions exposed or concealed rocks, ice, ditches, trees and other objects; accumulation of snow or ice: ruts, holes or bumps; inadequate or excessive snow coverage clumps or ridges of snow or ice; inadequate grooming or lack of grooming; steep ness and other variations in the terrain; blind spots and areas of reduced visibility or congestion; race and training courses; half-pipes, terrain parks and manmad or natural features in terrain parks; collision with lift towers, fences, snowmaking equipment, snow-grooming equipment, vehicles or other equipment, structure loss of balance or control; failure to act safely or to remain within designated areas the carelessness or negligence of other skiers, snowboarders or other persons ice and snow in parking lots and on roadways, stairways, walkways and decks; theft of or damage to personal property. The user confirms that (1) he or she is aware that the risks, dangers and hazards referred to above exist throughout the property owned or leased by Osler, including the ski area and beyond, and the buildings and structures located thereon; (2) many hazards are unmarked; (3) he or she is aware that such risks may cause or result in property damage or loss, personal injury or death; and (4) he or she accepts freely and assumes fully all such risks, dangers and hazards, including the possibility of property damage or loss, personal injury or death. In consideration of Osler permitting the user to use the lifts, ski runs, trails, property, terrain parks, race courses, buildings, lodges and other ski-area facilities (the "facilities"), the user agrees (1) to waive all current and future claims against Osler and its directors, officers, employees, agents, volunteers, independent contractors, invitees, event sponsors, and their successors (collectively, the "Releasees") and to release the Releasees from all liability for any loss, damage, expense or injury, including death, that the user or the user's next of kin may suffer as the result of the use of or presence on the facilities or due to any of the risks, dangers and hazards described above, or any other risks, dangers or hazards reasonably associated with the user's activities at or on the facilities; (2) that this release shall be binding upon the user's heirs, next of kin and legal representatives; (3) that this release and any legal proceeding involving the Releasees shall be governed, interpreted and determined solely in accordance with the laws and courts of Ontario

# Osler Bluff Ski Club

#### WINTER RECREATION TRAILS

Enjoy your outing, but before using the trails outlined on the map, please read these important notes regarding your safety and Club policies.

- 1 To use the winter recreation trails, you must leave the maintained and patrolled trail area of Osler Bluff Ski Club. These winter recreation trails are not patrolled. Both you and your group will be responsible for your own safety. These trails are on Club and private lands and are for the use of cross-country skiers and snowshoers ONLY.
- Use at your own risk. Travel with companions and tell someone where you are going and when you plan to return.
- 2 Trails are managed as a natural area and are not groomed or maintained. Trail conditions are variable and weather dependent. Please be alert for fallen tree branches, water across trails during and after thaws, and other natural hazards.
- 3 Foot traffic is not permitted on ski trails. Do not stop where you will obstruct a trail or where you will no longer be visible from above. Do not travel on ski runs at any time, even after operating hours, as the ski trails become a workplace for machinery and grooming equipment.
- 4 There are elements of risk that common sense and personal awareness can help reduce. Travel in control and in such a manner that you can stop if necessary to avoid other people or objects. Do not travel on closed trails and observe and obey all signs and warnings.
- 5 Dogs must be leashed while on Club property. Please pick up after your pet and be considerate of other trail users. Dogs are not permitted on neighbouring private land.

# NOTE REGARDING TRAVEL ON NEIGHBOURING LANDS

Additional trails exist on neighbouring private land. Use of these trails is permitted through an agreement with our neighbours. Please respect the landowners' private property, stay on the trails and carry out all garbage. Pets are not allowed on neighbouring private land. These trails are not maintained or patrolled and may involve difficult terrain.

# Lower Trails

### **CROSS-COUNTRY SKI AND SNOWSHOE TRAILS**



## **LOWER TRAILS**

Access lower trails from the trailhead in the Oslerview subdivision at the end of Snowflake Lane or from the Clubhouse area via Shaw's Road.

ORANGE LOOP (Easy) 4.2 km from Clubhouse This trail leaves the Yellow Loop behind Oslerview and forms a short, flat loop through the regenerating forest on the lower property. This trail is suitable for easy cross-country skiing.

# YELLOW LOOP (Difficult) 8.7 km from

#### Clubhouse

This loop takes you along the perimeter of the Osler Property. It begins behind Shaw's Road and procedes between cabins to Poplar Sideroad and the Angus Property. From there, follow the yellow trail markers through the Osler Pines woods and loop back to Poplar Sideroad. The trail crosses Poplar Sideroad and works its way through the mixed terrain and secondary growth alongside Oslerbrook Golf Club to end at the Oslerview community.

## **UPPER SNOWSHOE TRAILS** Cross-Country Skiing on Red Trail Only Matthew's **Conservation Area Access Points** McKay's Return Special thanks goes to the Osler members who have worked to develop the Winter Recreation Trails and to the neighbouring **Upper Chalet** landowners who have allowed access to their properties. Please use the trails with Orchard Lane care and respect. Phelan's Orchard **Conservation Area Access Points** Trailhead Reservoir **DANGER Orchard Lodge** Poplar Chairlife The NOTICE TO TRAIL **USERS** Blue Mountains Clearview Townline Band de Soleil • Winter Recreation Trails are not maintained or Clubhouse patrolled. You are responsible for your Playroom own safety. Use at your Osler Bluff own risk. • Travel with companions and tell someone where you are going and when 795534 The Blue Mountains Clearview Townline you plan to return. Blue Mountains, Ontario, Canada L9Y 0R7 • Stay on marked trails. **T** 705.445.4507 **◆ F** 705.445.6260 **Poplar** • Please keep the trails E obsc@oslerbluff.com **Sideroad** Poplar Sideroad clean and pack out all litter. **Trailhead** www.oslerbluff.com

#### **UPPER TRAILS**

Access the Upper Trails in front of the Playroom Building, west of the Clubhouse. Follow the blue trail markers in front of the cabins through the woods to the bottom of the Poplar Chairlift. From there, follow the marked trail and fences across the bottom of the hill to the Poplar Sideroad trailhead.

## ■ GREEN LOOP (Easy) 3.3 km from Clubhouse

From the Poplar Sideroad trailhead, the trail follows a slight incline through a hardwood forest. From the Georgian Bay overlook, the trail climbs to circle the snowmaking reservoir, then returns downhill along-side a small stream.

# BLUE LOOP (Intermediate) 3.8 km from Clubhouse

This loop is accessed from the Green Trail but exits the trail above the snowmaking pond. It then winds its way up a short, steep slope through the forest. The trail descends just before the Band de Soleil run, working its way downhill to rejoin the Green Trail at the pond. Do not walk on the ski trail.

### ■ BLACK LOOP (Difficult) 7.5 km from Clubhouse

This trail forms a complete loop of the ski hill. The route leaves the Blue Loop from the north-end trails and continues uphill, where it crosses the Band de Soleil ski trail before making its way through the limestone cut to the top of the escarpment. It continues behind the top of the Poplar Chairlift to the top of the Exhibition Chairlift station. From there, the trail enters the forest, works its way east above the escarpment, then winds downhill through a cleft in the limestone cliffs. The trail descends into a wooded valley, then through the woods southeast of McKay's Return to the Orchard Lodge, and back to the Clubhouse.

This trail can also be accessed from the Orchard trailhead located to the east of the Orchard Lodge. From there, the trail winds its way through the woods to the end of Orchard Lane.

# RED LOOP (Cross-Country Ski Trail) 3.6 km from Upper Chalet

This trail begins behind the top of the Exhibition Chairlift and quickly enters mature hardwood forest over fairly flat terrain. The trail then works its way back to finish at the top of the Poplar Chairlift. Conditions permitting, this trail can be used for cross-country skiing.