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## **Ski FREE At Colorado's Historic Howelsen Hill On February 26**

Steamboat Springs, Colorado-As the 2016/17 winter ski season starts to head into the home stretch, the public is invited to the upcoming Ski FREE Day at Howelsen Hill on Sunday, February 26, 2017. On Ski FREE Sunday, the Bud Werner Library will give away a free copy of the book, *Hotdogger*, to children ages 8 and older and the author and illustrator will be on-site to sign books.

With only two Ski FREE days remaining in the season, individuals who have never tried the sport or are looking to cruise the corduroy can access the slopes absolutely FREE. It's as simple as stopping into the lodge to pick up your free ticket, which is required to access the lifts and Nordic trails on the special Ski FREE days.

Ski Free is a partnership between the City of Steamboat Springs, Big Country KBCR 96.9 FM and the SteamboatRadio.com family of radio stations and the Steamboat Springs Winter Sports Club. The final Ski FREE day is currently scheduled for Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup>, also closing day for public skiing at Howelsen Hill.



Owned and operated by the City of Steamboat Springs, Howelsen Hill is Colorado's oldest continuously operated ski area and home to the largest and most complete natural ski jumping complex in North America. The ski area offers affordable skiing and snowboarding, with terrain catered toward all abilities and ages as well as 13 miles of Nordic, snowshoe and snow bike trails.

Howelsen Hill has been the training ground for more than 88 winter Olympians and houses the acclaimed Steamboat Springs Winter Sports Club, the oldest ski club west of the Mississippi. The ski area was recently acknowledged as a *Pioneer Ski Resort* by the International Skiing History Association and the Colorado Ski and Snowboard Museum and Hall of Fame.

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