

### Sports School at Whistler

Well, just when you thought things couldn't get any busier the winter sport governing bodies have named the members of their national and provincial teams.

Congratulations to Jenna Spencer for being named to the Junior National luge team. This appointment means huge commitment to her sport beginning this week with a competition on the Salt Lake City Olympic track. On the alpine skiing side the BC Team will include veterans Kailee Darlington and Broderick Thompson and newcomer Emma King. The BC Ski Cross team will include Elle Taillefer who will be attempting to qualify for the World Junior Olympics in Innsbruck, Austria. In the world of freestyle skiing the BC Park and Pipe team has included Yuki Tsubota as well as Mitch and Taylor Wilson. Finally, for the first time the Nordic skiers have placed athletes on the BC Provincial Development

team with Jenya Nordin and Nicki Murdoch closely chased by talent squad members Austin Reith and Lauren Doak who got some early training on snow at Silver Star resort last week. For all of these athletes their season has begun with early season camps around the province and in Colorado already setting the tone for a very busy competitive winter season. For all the athletes involved in athletics that take them away from school for long or short periods of time, be sure to fill out a **prior arrangement form** to communicate the dates of your absence to the office and teachers. Remember that your teachers make the academic part of your life possible, so let them know what's up, thank them endlessly and let them know how you did when you return – it's all about communication and showing your appreciation.

Have a great winter!



Broderick Thompson at Sun Peaks

Maria Trentini with Lyndsay Vonn in Colorado



Emma King and Kailee Darlington BC Team in Colorado

