## COMPETITIONS

# Canadian Event (February 3-4, 2007)

Adaptive Snowboarding pilot event in conjunction with the PGS NorAm Cup in Alberta

# International Event (March 15-18, 2007)

Adaptive Snowboarding pilot event in conjunction with the FIS World Cup Finals in Stoneham, Québec

### COMPETITION FORMAT

The competition format for Adaptive Snowboarding will begin with PGS because:

- It has a low level of risk (i.e. no contact, low physiological impact, etc.);
   and
- It provides more opportunity for participation

Other competition formats (i.e. snowboard-cross & halfpipe) will be introduced later

## INTERNATIONAL INFORMATION SEMINAR

An international information seminar on Adaptive Snowboarding will be held during the World Cup Finals from March 15-18th, 2007 in Stoneham, Québec.

Invitations will extend to key persons from the countries that are already involved in Adaptive Snowboarding, or those who wish to get involved in the near future.

## CONTACT

Snowboarding is an exciting and highly competitive sport that can easily be adapted to include athletes with a disability. For more information about getting involved in Adaptive Snowboarding, please contact the CSF Sport Development Team at the Canadian Snowboard Federation:

#### **Canadian Snowboard Federation**

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For more information about Adaptive Snowboarding please visit:

www.csf.ca/sportdevelopment/asnowboarding



Emily Cavallin – Lower leg amputee snowboarding with a prosthetic leg

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# Adaptive Snowboarding



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## Adaptive Snowboarding OVERVIEW

Snowboarding is a newcomer to the adaptive field. Snowboarders who have become disabled and others who live with a disability want to be a part of the sport, recreation, and lifestyle that is snowboarding.

The Canadian Snowboard Federation (CSF) as the national governing body wants to support people living with a disability by providing opportunities to participate in the sport of snowboarding.

Adaptive Snowboarding refers to a modified version of the sport, with changes in equipment, rules, and technical specifications that enable persons with physical disabilities to

participate in both recreational and competitive activities.



Tyler Mosher
CSF Ambassador &
Adaptive Rider

## DEVELOPMENT

## Areas of focus:

- Athlete recruitment
- · Classification system
- Competition format
- · Competition rules
- Equipment design and development
- Technical material development (i.e. coaching, instructing, officiating, etc.)
- · Awareness and education

Please contact the Sport Development Team at the CSF if you have any information on the above focus areas



**Tyler Mosher**– Incomplete paraplegic (standing)

## **LONG TERM GOALS**

- Have Adaptive Snowboarding Programs in at least 8 countries across 2 different continents
- Introducing Adaptive Snowboarding as an exhibition event at the 2010 Paralympic Winter Games
- Integrate adaptive snowboarding into able-bodied snowboarding events across Canada

## **CLASSIFICATION**



Ian Lockey- Incomplete paraplegic (standing)

Classification is a structure for competition. Athletes with a disability are assigned a sport class based on their degree of function.

Sport classes are determined by a variety of physical and technical assessments both in and out of competition.

Adaptive Snowboarding competitions and athletes will be classified into two different disability categories:

- 1. Visually Impaired
- 2. Standing

Introduction of the sitting category is dependent on the design of appropriate equipment and will be evaluated over the next season.

During competition, the racing time of an athlete is multiplied by the factor of his/her respective sport class; this results in a calculated time for each athlete within his/her category.