

News Release

JOCK RIVER PHOTO CONTEST FOR STUDENTS

RIDEAU VALLEY, October 15, 2008 — The Friends of the Jock River is inviting primary and secondary school students who live or attend schools within the Jock River watershed to enter a photography competition designed to raise awareness of the Jock River.

The subject of the competition is "Appreciation of the Jock River", which means that the Jock River, its tributaries or wetlands have to be the main subject of the photograph, or at least have a recognizable relationship with the main subject. Entries should focus on nature, people, structures (e.g., bridges, wharfs) and/or activities, (e.g., canoeing, fishing, skating, farming) as they relate to an appreciation of the Jock River.

The competition encourages students to get out in the natural environment. The Friends of the Jock River believes the contest also adds some spice to school programs (e.g., geography, science, media, physical education), and school clubs (e.g. environmental, photography). In addition, the competition promotes a better understanding of the Friends of the Jock River goal in working towards a healthy Jock River.

The contest is open to all Primary and secondary school students who live or go to a school within the Jock River watershed. Communities within the watershed include Prospect, Blacks Corners, Ashton, Munster Hamlet, Richmond, Fallowfield Village, Barrhaven, Stonebridge and Heart's Desire.

Photographs may be submitted from now to May 19, 2009 to allow a full range of fall, winter and spring scenes. The rules and application form for the competition are up on our new website at www.jockriver.org <<http://www.jockriver.org/>> , designed by Ramez Eido of B.C.S.

Entries from primary students and secondary students will be divided into two separate classes for judging and the awarding of prizes. The results will be announced several weeks after the closing date of May 19, 2009 and winning entries will be displayed in the local media and on our website home page. Prizes will include a Nikon SLR Zoom digital camera, loot bags, gift certificates from local stores and more.

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