

Brock-Roberts, Brad

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## Mogul skier in training

# Has eye on Olympic team

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If all goes according to plan Belleville's Brad Brock-Roberts will represent Canada at the 1992 Winter Olympics.

Brock-Roberts has set the Olympics as a goal and he has some credentials to back up his lofty expectations.

For the first time freestyle mogul skiing will be a sport at the Olympics. Brock-Roberts has been honing his skills as a freestyle skier for the past several years and now that it has become a sport recognized at the Olympics he's more determined than ever to see how far he can go in the sport.

At the Canadian Nationals last year Brock-Roberts placed fifth overall and 10th in the mogul discipline. He was a member of the Ontario Development team last season but this year he'll compete as a member of the Ontario Freestyle team. As a member of the provincial team the next few months will take him to competitions weekly on the Nor-Am circuit in Quebec, Lake Placid, Washington, Beaver Valley, Calgary and various other centres.

Although Brock-Roberts has taken part in all the disciplines of freestyle skiing in the past he has decided to concentrate on the moguls event.

As well as criss-crossing across much of North America over the next few months, Brock-Roberts will have to find enough time for first year Administration and Commercial Studies classes at the University of Western Ontario in London.

"I should be oaky with school because a lot of it is book work so I can always find some time to do it," he says.

Although he is a member of the provincial team, Brock-Roberts will still have to pay part of his way to compete as a mogul skier. He's not getting a free ride as an athlete.

The 20-year old former Moira Secondary student is prepared to pay his share but wonders how many potential athletes have had to give up a sport because it just wasn't financially possible.

Brock-Roberts says he hopes to stick it out as much as possible on his own but he admits that he hopes to land some sponsorship to defray expenses some time in the future.

Last summer Brock-Roberts made money by operating a successful para-sailing business at West Lake. He says he'll probably do the same next summer but right now his mind is set on mogul skiing and a place on the 1992 Olympic team.



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