British Artificial Slope Alpine Championships

RACE BULLETIN 1 - INVITATION

DATE: 23RD – 24TH SEPTEMBER 2017

VENUE: MIDLOTHIAN SNOWSPORTS CENTRE

We invite registered racers to compete in British Artificial Slope Alpine Championships to be held at Midlothian Snowsports Centre on the weekend of Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th September 2017.

This event weekend is organised by Snowsport Scotland. We would like to thank the management and staff of the Midlothian Snowsports Centre and all volunteers for their assistance, without whom there would not be a race.

ENTRY CRITERIA
Each race is open to racers registered with their respective home nation and within the age group categories eligible for oBARTS seeding for 2017, ie U14 category and older (born 2005 or earlier). The number of entrants is limited to a maximum of 150. There is no minimum seedpoint entry cut-off. Entry is therefore on a first come first served basis.

There will also be an U10/U12 race on both days. The slalom competition will use stubby gates instead of full sized gates. Competitors will have two runs on the same course with the fastest of the runs counting for prizes. This race is open to registered racers in the Under 10 category (YOB 2008-2009) and Under 12 category (YOB 2007-2006)

RACE ENTRY INFORMATION AND ACCEPTANCE
The entry fee for this event is **£30.00 per day**.

On line entry is available here https://goo.gl/forms/a9imApxldUFbBFOQ2 All late entries accepted will be subject to an additional fee of **£10.00 per day**. Please note that as this race is expected to be oversubscribed, there is no guarantee that any late entries will be accepted. It is strongly advised that entries are submitted by the closing date of midday on 15th September 2017.

RUNNING ORDER & SEED POINTS
Running order in both the Slalom and Giant Slalom races will be on the basis of the latest oBARTS list, 2017.6.

RACE RULES
The Championships will be run under the British Artificial Competition Rules (BACR) 2016. These are available on http://www.gbski.com/docstore/BCR/BCR%20I.pdf

RACE FORMAT

Both the Slalom and Giant Slalom race will be run to the following format:

The first run will be held in bib order. The second (final) run will be in reverse time order based on the time from the first run and both must be completed to achieve the result. Each run will be on a different course.

PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

Provisional timetable for both days below. Every attempt will be made to keep to the event schedule; however, the organisers reserve the right to amend the schedule as appropriate.

Saturday 23rd September 2017		**Sunday 24th September June 2017**	
08.00	Racer Registration and bib issue below the Cafe	08.00	Racer Registration and bib issue below the Cafe
08.30-08.45	Practice on tow slope	08.30-08.45	Practice on tow slope
08.45–09.15	Inspection 1st run (ALL)	08.50–09.10	Inspection 1st run (ALL)
09.30	Start of 1st run of seeded race	09.30	Start of 1st run of seeded race
10.45–11.00	Inspection for U10/U12	10.45–11.00	Inspection U10/U12
11.10	Runs 1 &2 U10/U12	11.10	Runs 1 &2 U10/U12
12.00	Course Setting 2nd Run	12.00	Course Setting 2nd Run
12.30 – 13.00	Inspection 2nd run	12.30 – 13.00	Inspection 2nd run
13.15	Start of 2nd run of seeded race	13.15	Start of 2nd run of seeded race
15.30	Inter-club Parallel Slalom	15.00	Prize Giving
16.45	Prize Giving		

ACCEPTANCE LISTS

Acceptance lists will be published on Snowsport Scotland and GBSki. Start lists showing running order will be available on the morning of each event.

PROTEST AGAINST ACCEPTANCE/LATE ENTRIES

All protests about entries can be sent by email and must be received by the Race Secretary by Tuesday 19th September. Decision on protests can be obtained by contacting Snowsport Scotland on Thursday 21st September between 0900 and 1700 on 0131 625 4405.

WITHDRAWALS

Following entry into the race, a partial refund will only be given to racers on production of a medical certificate.

COURSE INSPECTION

The method of course inspection will be from top to bottom, bibs must be worn during the course inspection. Competitors must not ski down the prepared course or ski through the gates.

RACE OFFICE, JURY ROOM & OFFICIAL NOTICE BOARD

The Race Office will be the Snowsport Scotland office address until the evening of Friday 22nd September at which time it will move to Midlothian Snowsports Centre and will be adequately signposted throughout the Championships.

HOME NATIONS TEAM PARALLEL SLALOM
A Home Nations Team Parallel Slalom event will take place straight after the 2nd run of the seeded race, before prize-giving, on Saturday 23rd September. Teams are to be made up of 4 racers, all teams must contain a minimum of 1 female racer. The event will be run as a knockout with prizes for the winning team. More information on the event will be available on the day on the Official Noticeboard.

UPLIFT
The cost of uplift is included in the Championships entry fee. Competitors using the uplift facilities must clearly display their bib number when doing so.

FIRST AID
A first aid service will be provided by Midlothian Snowsports Centre. The first aid room is situated on the ground floor of the main building at the foot of the slope.

EQUIPMENT, HEALTH AND SAFETY
Racers' skis must be fitted with operational ski brakes and ski poles must be fitted with stoppers. In the interests of racers' personal safety, 'cat suits' will not be permitted and long trousers, long sleeves and gloves must be worn during practice, inspection and racing.

HELMETS
All competitors must wear a properly fitted and approved safety helmet on the slope throughout the event. This includes the practice session, course inspection, forerunners and the race itself. For guidance on helmets and the rules surrounding their use please see link:
www.gbski.com/docstore/OTHER/Helmets%20for%20Alpine%20Ski%20Racing%20V6.pdf

DISQUALIFICATIONS AND PROTESTS
Disqualifications will be posted on the official notice board following the Jury meeting after each run of the Slalom and Giant Slalom. Racers will have 15 minutes from the time of posting to protest against disqualification. Each protest (which should be made to the Referee) must be in writing and be accompanied by a deposit of £25 which will be forfeited in the event of such Protest not being upheld by the Jury.

TROPHIES AND MEDALS
In both the Slalom and Giant Slalom races, medals will be awarded to 1st, 2nd & 3rd male and female competitors in each category with the 1st placed racer in each category receiving a perpetual trophy.

U10 2008-2009	**U12** 2006-2007	**U14** 2004-2005	**U16** 2002-2003
U18 2000-2001	**U21** 1997-1999	**SEN** 1996-1988	**MAS** 1987-

In addition, Overall winners in each race will receive a perpetual trophy. In the Parallel Slalom, medals will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd placed teams. All prize winners are expected to show courtesy to the organisers by attending the prize

giving. We are extremely grateful to the following businesses for supporting the championships with the provision of prizes: Ski Racing Supplies, and Ski Bartlett.

PUBLICITY & PROMOTIONS: Photographers and videographers (official & non-official) may be present at Snowsport Scotland events. Images taken at these events may be used for the purpose of publicity and promotion of our sport. Snowsport Scotland cannot practically police all potential images taken from open sporting events however if you wish to "opt out" form any or all official Snowsport Scotland imagery please contact info@snowsportscotland.org.

PRE-RACE DAY PRACTICE
More information to be confirmed.

SKI SERVICING
Racers are reminded that hot waxing is NOT permitted within any of the Ski Centre buildings.

CATERING
Hot drinks and food will be available for purchase at the 360 Cafe.

OFFICIALS
Please note that these events can only run successfully if we get sufficient volunteers to help with the various jobs. If you are able to assist, please contact Snowsport Scotland on info@snowsportscotland.org.

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