Snowsport Cymru Wales

Outdoor Club National 2022
Saturday 20th August 2022

And

Welsh Open Championships 2022
Sunday 21st August 2022

To be held at
Gloucester Ski Centre

Race Bulletin No. 1 – Invitation

Entries are invited from registered racers in the categories
U14, U16, U18, U21, Seniors and Masters to compete in the above races.

Entries are also invited from both registered racers in the U10 and U12 categories to compete in an unseeded race that will be set using stubbies. Children born 2015 and earlier are not eligible to enter.

Deadline for entries is Friday 12th August

Online entry available at https://entries.snowsportengland.org.uk/

Entry fee is £26 per day

Rules and regulations available at http://gbski.com/rules

Online information at https://gbski.com/competition/C1002 and https://gbski.com/competition/C1003

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Organisation

This event is being organised by Snowsport Cymru Wales.

Entry Criteria and Race Formats

Club National Seeded Competition – Saturday 20th August

The Club National seeded event is a Slalom consisting of three runs down the same course and is open to Home Nation registered racers in the following categories: U14, U16, U18, U21, Senior, and Masters. Prizes will be awarded based on the best time from the first two runs plus the time from the third. Racers with the highest seed points (or no points) take priority if the race is over-subscribed.

U10/U12 Races

Club National competitions include races for U10/U12 age categories. These will be run using stubbie gates, with three runs down the same course and prizes awarded based on the best time from any run.

Welsh Open Championships Seeded Competition – Sunday 21st August

The Welsh Open Championships will consist of two runs down different Slalom courses and are open to Home Nation registered racers in the following categories: U14, U16, U18, U21, Senior, and Masters. Children born 2015 and earlier are not eligible to enter. Prizes will be awarded based on the best aggregate time from the two runs.

U10/U12 Races

The Welsh Open Championships will include races for U10/U12 age categories. These will be run using stubbie gates, with two runs down the same course and prizes awarded based on the best time from any run.

Entry Limits

The number of entrants in the seeded competition is limited to a maximum of 180. In the event of the race being oversubscribed, acceptance will be determined by seed points using the BARTS list current as at the closing date for entries. Racers with lower seed points will be given preference.

Race Entry and Refunds

Entry fee for this event is £26.

Online entry is available at https://entries.snowsportengland.org.uk/.

Entries close 1900 (7pm**)** on **Friday 12th August**. Late entries may be accepted at an additional fee of £10.00 per day.

Race entry fees are non-refundable apart from racers withdrawing on medical grounds who may obtain a £10 refund of their entry fee if they apply to the Race Secretary and provide certified medical evidence to support their application.

Awards

Awards will be made in the following categories:

Under-10 & Under-12 Race:
Girls: 1st, 2nd, 3rd
Boys: 1st, 2nd, 3rd

Welsh Open Championships:
Overall Women: 1st, 2nd, 3rd
Overall Men: 1st, 2nd, 3rd

Age Categories – 1st, 2nd and 3rd – Women and Men

Under 14
Under 16
Under 18
Under 21
Senior
Master

The winners will be expected to show due courtesy to the organisers by attending the prize giving. Those who do not attend without good reason lose their claim to an award.

Start Order

The start order will be drawn on Wednesday 17th August using the BARTS Outdoor Seed List and verified by the Jury. This seed list can be found at https://gbski.com/seeding#BARTS.

For the first run the top 15 seeded competitors will be drawn, with competitors seeded 16th onwards running in seed point order, followed by a random draw of all registered racers with no points, followed by a random draw of any unregistered racers.

For the second run, start order is determined by the results of the first run with competitors running in reverse time order.

For the U10/U12 race, in the first run all entries will be randomly drawn, with the girls going first followed by the boys. In the second run the boys will go first followed by the girls, and the start order will be reversed.

Start lists will be published on GBSKI and on the official notice board on race day.

Race Rules and Health and Safety

The race will be run under FIS rules (ICR) as varied by GB Snowsport (BACR) and Snowsport England (Race Manual). Links to rules and guide books are listed below, all racers and coaches are encouraged to make themselves familiar with these documents:

FIS Rules	https://gbski.com/icr
British Rules (BACR)	https://gbski.com/bacr
SE Race Manual	https://gbski.com/serm
Guide to Racing	https://gbski.com/guide
Guide to Helmets	https://gbski.com/helmets

The Jury has decided that all courses for this event will be set with single pole gates in accordance with ICR 804.

- Access to the slope is for officials, accredited coaches and racers only.
- During open practice and inspection bibs must be carried as this is your accreditation to be on the slope. Racers without a bib will be asked to leave the slope.
- Inspection on foot by racers is not permissible. Racers will be given further information prior to the start of course inspection.
- Helmets and gloves must be worn by anyone on skis at all times whilst on the slope.

Race Office

The race office will be at Cardiff until 09:00hrs on 19/08/2022. After this the race office will transfer to Pontypool Ski Slope from 08:00hrs on 20/08/2022 and contact can only be made by phone or email to the Race Secretary.

Notice Board

The official race notice board will be located outside the race office.

Photography

Racers who do **not** wish to be photographed by any accredited photographer must notify the Race Secretary in writing by the end of race registration. Please email the Race Secretary you do not wish to be photographed.

Officials

Please note these races can only run with sufficient race officials. If you can assist please contact the Race Secretary or Chief of Race.

Course Inspection

The course must be inspected wearing skis and bibs must carried with you as it is your accreditation to be on the slope. No racer is allowed to ski the course during inspection. Course inspection may start at any point on the course and racers must come to a complete stop between each gate when inspecting the course.

Referee's Report

Protests against the Referees Report must be made on official forms, which will be available at the race office. These must be completed and handed in within the set time limit and accompanied by a fee of £25.00.

Race Bibs

Race bibs must be returned to the finish marshal on completion of their final run. Failure to do so will result in a charge of £30 for each missing bib.

First Aid

First Aid cover will be available on the day by qualified and appointed first aiders. An Event Medical Assessment form (containing information about medical facilities and procedures) will be on display on the official notice board and published on GBSKI.

Provisional Programme

The expected programme is shown below. Exact timings may vary depending on the number of entries. An updated version of the programme will be published in the Acceptance Bulletin.

Saturday 20th August 2022 SSW CLUB NATIONAL		**Sunday 21st August 2022 WELSH OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS**	
08:00	Officials Access	08:00	Officials Access
08.30	Race office opens for registration, and Bib Issue	08.30	Race office opens for registration, lift pass and Bib Issue
08:30-09:30	Warm Up - All	08:30-09:30	Warm Up - All
09.00-09.15	Race Officials Meeting	09.00-09.15	Race Officials Meeting
09:30-09:50	CN Race - Course Set Run	09:30-09:50	Course Set Run 1
09.50-10:10	CN Race - Course Inspection - Females	09.50-10:10	Course Inspection - Females
10.10-10:30	CN Race - Course Inspection - Males	10.10-10:30	Course Inspection - Males
10.30-10:50	CN Race - Course Inspection – U10/12s	10.30-10:50	CN Race - Course Inspection – U10/12s
11.00-11.20	U10/U12 Run 1	11.00-11.20	U10/U12 Run 1
11.20-11.30	Switch gates to full poles	11.20-11.30	Switch gates to full poles
11.30-12.20	CN Race Run 1 Females / Males	11.30-12.20	Run 1 Females / Males
12.20-12.25	Switch to Stubby gates	12.20-12.30	Switch to Stubby gates
12.30-12.40	U10/U12 Run 2	12.30-12.50	U10/U12 Run 2
12.40-12.45	Switch gates to full poles	12.50-13.20	Lunch
12.50-13.40	CN Race Run 2 Females / Males	12.50-13.20	Course Set Run 2

13.40-14.10	Lunch	13.20-13:30	Course Inspection - Females
14.20-14.40	U10/U12 Run 3	13.30-13:50	Course Inspection - Males
14.40-14.45	Switch gates to full poles	14.00-14.50	GBR Race Run 2 Females / Males
14.50-15.40	CN Race Run 3 Females / Males	15.20	Prize Giving
16:30	Prize Giving		

Access

The site will not be open until 08:00

Access to the slope is for officials and racers only. Coaches may accompany their racers during course inspection only.

Open Practice

The slope will be open on Friday 19nd August with slalom gates in place between 7pm and 9pm. Competitors must book this session directly with Gloucester Ski Centre.

Open practice (warm up) on race day on the slope is part of the entry fee.

During open practice bibs must be carried. Racers without a bib will be asked to leave the slope.

Logistics

Directions

DIRECTIONS CAN BE FOUND ON GOOGLE MAPS USING ADDRESS BELOW. PARKING IS AVAILABLE ONSITE.
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