Home of Ski Rossendale

SUMMER FUN RACES 2024

The Summer Fun Race League at 'The Hill' (Ski Rossendale) is a series of 4 races on the following Sundays listed below:

2nd June | 14th July | 8th September | 6th October

The format of the day will be 3 timed runs in the morning. The afternoon will be the head-to-head races in groups of 4 skiers followed by the prize giving.

The races are fun events primarily aimed at 3 groups of skiers:

- Skiers with little or no experience of competition who want to 'get into' racing.
- Established performers wishing to gain competition experience without the 'normal' race day pressures.
- Skiers who want to have fun and do something different on an artificial slope.

As such we will not enforce FIS rules on ski lengths etc.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

- It is compulsory for all those racing and race training to wear helmets.
- If you do not have your own, we have plenty to borrow, free of charge, in all sizes.
- You must keep the area at the top and around the slope tidy and use the litter bins provided.
- Arms and legs must be fully covered, and gloves must be worn at all times when on the slope.
- Officials only at the top of the slope and in the start area please.
- All racers using ski poles must fit the tip with a plastic or rubber bung or ferule. These are available at ski hire for £1 each.

- Age groups

  - U8 = 2017 -
  - U10 = 2015 - 2016
  - U12 = 2013 - 2014
  - U14 = 2011 - 2012
  - U16 = 2009 - 2010
  - U18 = 2007 - 2008
  - U21 = 2004 – 2006
  - Over 18 = 2003 -

- Please also note we operate a zero-tolerance policy for any abuse, violence or aggression directed towards staff, volunteers, customers or other competitors which will be met with immediately removal from the premises with no refund given.

There can be no refunds of race fees, except in the case of cancellation of an event by 'The Hill' (Ski Rossendale).

RACE ENTRIES

If you are a club, then you are welcome to submit a list of all your club members who may be entering this year's races (even if they are only thinking about it at this stage) at least 7 days prior to the first event on Sunday 2nd June 2024.

Individuals are allowed to enter even if they are not a member of a club.

Entries will close on Friday 12th July.

EVENT TIMETABLE
The timetable for each day's competition is set out below:

7.30	Officials Entry
8.00	Race office open, Bib Issue
8.00	Course setting
8.30	Open practice
9.00 9.15 12.30* 1.00* 1.30* 3.30*	Course Inspection First Run start Second Run Third Run Finish Head to head warm up Head to head 3 runs Prize giving

*We will try to adhere to these times as much as possible but please be aware that times could be subject to change on the day dependant on number of entries.

THE COMPETITION

Competition on the day is split into 2 sections:

Morning - Individual Slalom

This is when the individual competition takes place. Each skier will have 3 timed runs on the course that was used for the practice/warm up sessions. Racers are grouped by year of birth in accordance with SSE guidelines in the following categories:

U 8's	boys	girls
U 10's	boys	girls
U 12's	boys	girls
U 14's	boys	girls
U 16's	boys	girls
U 18's	boys	girls
Open (over 18)	boys	girls
Best newcomer	boys	girls
Overall	boys	girls

Individual results for males and females are calculated for each category. It is the fastest run of the 3 which will count.

Points will be awarded at every event to be counted up for the league with trophies presented at the final event. Points will start at 30 points for first, 28 for second, 26 for third, 24 for fourth and then 23, 22, 21, 20 and so on, down to a minimum of 10 points.

Afternoon Head-to-Head Slalom

After the mornings racing there will be a short break while the head-to-head dual slalom course is set. Skiers will once again be able to practice through the course.

For the Dual Slalom Competition, racers will be in groups of 4. Each group member will race the other members in their group, giving them 3 races each.

The group you are in is determined by the mornings timed results, regardless of age. (e.g., the 4 that come in 1st to 4th place will be one group, 5th to 8th another group etc.)

In this competition times are irrelevant; you are solely trying to beat your opponent.

REGISTRATION OF COMPETITORS

All entries must arrive at 'The Hill' (Ski Rossendale) no later than 7 days before the race day.

The club/group entry form has the Race dates at the top included, please tick which dates you are entering. Group entries can be done by email orby calling 01706 226 457. Individual entries can also be done online HERE or via the above.

Entries on the day may not be included in the race.

The race bibs will be ready to collect on the morning of the race. If there is a need to adjust any of the entries due to sickness, this can be on the morning.

COURSE/SLOPE PRACTICE

The competition course will be available to practice through from 8.30am-9.00am for the individual slalom and approximately 1.30 for the dual slalom. The rest of the slope is available to warm up and practice. If you are skiing outside the course, you must stay well to the side of it so as not to distract those skiing through the poles. The slope is closed to all competitors who are not on their race run during racing.

GATEKEEPERS

We would ask that if you are coming as a club, you nominate a gatekeeper to officiate during the race. We are always in need of volunteers to help things run so encourage parents and coaches to lend a hand gatekeeping. All training will be provided. These gatekeepers must then meet OUTSIDE the timing hut at 9.00am for the morning's race and 1.15pm for the afternoon's event, where the basic rules will be explained and each person will be allocated specific gates to monitor.

Drinks and Lunch will be provided for all volunteer gate keepers and officials.

DISQUALIFICATIONS

If the skier fails to successfully negotiate any of the courses, then they will be disqualified for that run, however gatekeepers are instructed to
give the racer the benefit of the doubt. If you are disqualified it is usually a straightforward case. If you wish to protest, you and/or your team captain must make a protest straight away to the chief of race, who will hear your protest, talk with the gatekeeper, who has registered the disqualification and make a ruling on the available evidence.

If for any reason a race official disqualifies you before you make a run then you are entitled to a provisional run and a protest as above must be lodged straight away.

THE CHIEF OF RACE'S DECISION IN ALL CASES IS FINAL

COST:

Entry fee for each racer is £15 per race day; this includes equipment hire if required. This can be supplied on the day. PLEASE PRE-BOOK YOUR PLACE BY CALLING The Hill, Home of Ski Rossendale 01706 226 457 or by email: info@thehilluk.com or booking online HERE

Helmets are compulsory and available free of charge.

Medals will be awarded in the following categories: -

U 8's	boys	girls	1st 2nd 3rd
U 10's	boys	girls	1st 2nd 3rd
U 12's	boys	girls	1st 2nd 3rd
U 14's	boys	girls	1st 2nd 3rd
U 16's	boys	girls	1st 2nd 3rd
U 18's	boys	girls	1st 2nd 3rd
Open (over 18)	boys	girls	1st 2nd 3rd
Best Newcomer*	boys	girls	1st
Overall	boys	girls	1st

*Category is decided through club nominations

Results will be posted on GBSki, The Hill's Facebook page and will also be available in our ski hire on the notice board.

Should you have any queries please contact Reception on (01706) 226 457.
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