**Copper Horse GBR Events 2025**
**Outdoor Series Race 4**
**The Hill**
**Sunday 22nd June**
**Race Bulletin No: 1 - Invitation**

We invite registered racers to compete in the Copper Horse GBR Event to be held at The Hill- home of Ski Rossendale on Sunday 22nd June. This event is organised by Ski Rossendale Race Club on behalf of Snow Sport England. We would like to thank the management and staff of The Hill and all volunteers for their assistance, without whom there would not be a race.

The Copper Horse GBR Race Series brings together national domestic races across the UK with race weekends being organised by the Home Nations in England, Scotland, and Wales both on indoor and outdoor artificial slopes. For details on the GBR race weekends, events and race rules please visit www.gbski.com

The organisers wish to thank Copper Horse for their sponsorship of the GBR race series.

| **Race Secretary** | **Event Welfare Officer** | **Chief of Race** |
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If you have any concerns about a child or adult, do not keep them to yourself,
inform the Event Welfare Officer or relevant Home Nation Safeguarding Lead without delay.
**Snowsport England Safeguarding Lead**
welfare@snowsportengland.org.uk

## Entry Criteria and Race Format

### Seeded Competition
GBR races 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. Prizes will be awarded based on the best aggregate time from the two runs.

### Para Entries
Entries will be welcomed from para athletes to the Copper Horse GBR races. There will be a special category for para skiers. Para entries may be in any age category, and do not need to have seed points, but must comply with the other eligibility criteria for the event. Para athletes will ski the same courses set for the Copper Horse GBR event and would run as first racer(s) down the relevant courses for each run.
Awards will be made for the para category by gender.

### U10/U12 Races
GBR competitions 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. Children born 2017 or later are unable to enter.

### Entry Limits

The total number of entrants in the seeded competition is limited to a maximum of 150. 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. U10/12 entrants will be limited to 70 on a first entered basis.

## Practice Session

A practice session at 'The Hill' will be open on Saturday 21st June 2025 from 4.30pm-6.30pm.

Please book your place in advance through the following link:

https://widget.eola.co/1384/activities/srrc-gbr4-practice-session

## Race Entry and Refunds

The entry fee for the GBR Outdoor race is £30.00 per day.

On line entry is available via https://entries.snowsportengland.org.uk/

Entries close 16.00 (4pm) on Friday 13th June. Late entries may be accepted at an additional fee of £10.00 per race 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

Overall Awards will be made to 1st, 2nd & 3rd Male & Female racers.
Age Group awards will be made to 1st 2nd & 3rd Male & Female racers in each age group.
Age Group awards will be made to 1st, 2nd & 3rd Male & Female racers in the U10/U12 race.

Points are awarded in each of the GBR races which count towards a series prize which will be presented following the last races of the Series. Rules for the GBR series are in BACR Book IV which can be found online at www.gbski.com/docstore/BACR/BACR%20IV.pdf

## Start Order

The start order will be drawn on Thursday 19th June 2025 using the BARTS Outdoor Seed List current at that time and verified by the Jury. This seed list can be found at www.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. Competitors will run in reverse bib order, starting with the highest bib numbers.

For the second run, start order is determined by the results of the first run and will thus run in reverse time order with the slowest to run first, ending up with the fastest running last.

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:

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| 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 WORN** so that the number is visible from back and front. 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 always worn by anyone on skis whilst on the slope. Please also note the helmet rules for competitors can be found at www.gbski.com
- It was agreed that the FIS rule changes that disallow stepping back (hiking) in Slalom (614.2.3, 661.4.1, 804.3) will be applied to all BARTS (artificial) seeded calendar races and any accompanying U10/12 races. **If a competitor comes to a complete stop in the course or commits a gate fault, they WILL NOT be permitted to hike back up and complete the course.**

## Race Office

The race office will be at Springhill Cottage, Springhill, Rossendale until 16.00 on 21/06/2025. After this the race office will transfer to 'The Hill@ at Ski Rossendale from 8.00 on 22/06/2025 and contact can only be made by phone or email to the Race Secretary.

## Notice Board

The official race notice board will be located inside boot hire on the right-hand side as you go in by the door.

## Photography

Racers will only be photographed by an accredited photographer if they have given consent whilst entering the race, either via the race entry system or in writing to the Race Secretary if entering on the day.
Stuart Brown Photography will be providing photography services at the Copper Horse GBR series 25. Please use the QR code to navigate to the order portal where an explanation of the service is in the first section.

All photo orders will be taken via the order portal Google Forms. You must be over 18 to use this service. If under 18 a parent or guardian must fill out the forms. Photographs are charged at £15 per athlete per race for all photos taken. With a percentage of the takings going back to the race organisers to benefit the sport

## 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.

## Referee's Report

Protests 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 £50.00 for each missing bib.

## First Aid

First Aid cover will be available on the day by Pendle and Rossendale Mountain Rescue. 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 times given below are provisional and may alter on the day. Please ensure you are ready to start on time and listen carefully for any announcements.

| Sunday 22nd June 2025<br>GBR OUTDOOR RACE 4 WITH U10/U12 RACE | |
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| 08:00 | Officials Access |
| 08.30 | Race office opens for registration, and Bib Issue |
| 08:30-09:30 | Warm Up |
| 09.00-09.15 | Race Officials Meeting |
| 09:30-09:50 | GBR Race - Course Set Run 1 |
| 09.50-10.20 | GBR Race - Course Inspection Run 1 |
| 10.20-11.20 | GBR Race - Run 1 Females / Males |
| 11.20-11.30 | U10/12 Course set (switch to stubbies) |
| 11.30-11.50 | U10/U12 Course Inspection |
| 11.50-12.20 | U10/12 Run 1 |
| 12.20-12.50 | LUNCH |
| 12.50 -13.20 | U10/12 Run 2 |
| 13.20-13.40 | GBR Race- Course Set Run 2 |
| 13.40-14.10 | GBC Race – Course Inspection Run 2 |
| 14.10-15.10 | GBR Race – Run 2 Females and Males |
| 15.45 | Prize Giving |

Every attempt will be made to keep to the event schedule; however, the organisers reserve the right to amend the schedule as appropriate.

## Logistics

### Refreshments

BBQ catering will be available on race day serving Breakfast Sandwiches & Burgers. The Ski Slope Bistro will be offering pizzas and snacks. There are no shops in the immediate vicinity.

### Nearest Accommodation

There are several hotels in the area;

Red Hall Hotel
Rossendale Holiday Cottages
Dearden Wood Campsite
Premier Inn (Burnley)
Holiday Inn Express (Burnley)
Best Western (Burnley)
Travel Lodge (Burnley)

### Directions

Please follow postcode **BB4 8RR**
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GB SNOWSPORT

## Parking

Parking is available on the two main car parks onsite. If they are full and you are parking on the roadside, please park carefully so not to obstruct any driveways. The ambulance area on the main carpark (indicated with yellow markings) must be always kept clear. Please park wisely to enable the maximum number of cars to be parked in the car parks, and reduce the number of vehicles that need to be parked on the roadside. Please follow the instructions of the marshals for the safety and convenience of all competitors.

Motorhomes can park on the site car park at your own risk on the evening prior to the race.

## Whatsapp Group

In addition to the race notice board, we have set up a 'Copper Horse GBR Outdoor 3/4 Race Information' WhatsApp group for both of the Pendle and Rossendale races, where you can keep up to date with the latest information. The easiest way to join is by opening this bulletin on your phone and then clicking on the below. For safeguarding reasons this will be 1-way traffic from the admins only.

https://chat.whatsapp.com/IFYOCwrKJkc847CEcg70XY

