TEAM EVOLUTON STOKE CLUB NATIONAL 2025

Race Invitation Version 2

Stoke Ski Centre
Festival Park, Stoke-on-Trent, ST1 5PU

Entries are invited from both registered and non-registered racers in the categories U14, U16, U18, U21, Seniors and Masters to compete in a seeded race, in the Club National format.

Entries are also invited from both registered and non-registered racers in the U10 and U12 categories to compete in an unseeded race, that will be set using stubbies.

Children born in 2018 and later are not eligible to enter.

RACE ORGANISING COMMITTEE

This event is being organised by Team Evolution.

Chief of Race: Jordan Fellows - Jordan.fellows@teamevolution.eu

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ENTRY CRITERIA AND RACE FORMAT

Club National Race (U14 – MAS)

The Club National will be an OBARTS Seeded competition.

This Club National event is a slalom, consisting of three runs down the same course. The race is open to racers who are registered with 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 the U10/U12 age categories. These will be run using stubby gates, with three runs down the same course, and prizes awarded based on the best single run time from any of the three runs.

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Unregistered Racers

If the race is under-subscribed, racers who are not registered with a Home Nation may be entered into the race by completing emailing their race entry to info@teamevolution.eu and signing an Athlete's Declaration. Any such racer who cannot show membership of a club affiliated to Snowsport England will need to pay a £5 fee to cover admin and insurance in addition to the normal race entry fee.

RACE ENTRY AND REFUNDS

Entry fee for this event is £32.

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

Entries close 4pm on **Thursday 31st July**. Late entries may be accepted at an additional fee of £10.00 per day.

Race entry fees are non-refundable. Racers withdrawing on medical grounds may obtain a £10.00 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:

U10 & U12 Races

U10 Girls: 1st, 2nd, 3rd
U12 Girls: 1st, 2nd, 3rd
U10 Boys: 1st, 2nd, 3rd
U12 Boys: 1st, 2nd, 3rd

Club National Race

U14, U16, U18, U21, SEN, MAS Women: 1st, 2nd, 3rd
U14, U16, U18, U21, SEN, MAS Men: 1st, 2nd, 3rd

Overall Club National

Women: 1st, 2nd, 3rd
Men: 1st, 2nd, 3rd

Points are awarded in each of the Snowsport England Club National races, which count towards a series prize that is presented following the last races of the Club National Series. Rules for the Club National series can be found in the Snowsport England Race Manual, which can be found online at www.gbski.com/SERM.

Prizes will be provided by courtesy of event sponsors Bollé, Rossignol, Ski Bartlett and Team Evolution. 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.

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START ORDER

U10 & U12 Race

The start order for the first run will be drawn randomly, within the relevant age categories and genders. The running order will be as follows: U10F, U12F, U10M, U12M.

For the second run, the racers will start in reverse bib order within their age category. The running order will continue to be: U10F, U12F, U10M, U12M.

For the third (final) run the start order will be the same as the first run.

Club National Race

The start order will be drawn on Friday 1st August using the latest OBARTS Seed List, verified by the Jury. This seed list can be found at https://gbski.com/seeding#BARTS.

For the first run of each gender, the top 15 seeded competitors are drawn in random order first, followed by competitors seeded 16th onwards running in seed point order, followed by a random draw of all registered racers without OBARTS points, followed by a random draw of any unregistered racers. The start order for the first run is always reverse, running from the highest to lowest bib.

For the second run the start order is the same as the first.

For the final run, the start order will be calculated based on the best time from the first two runs, with the slowest racer starting first, and the fastest racer last. Any competitor who fails to complete at least one of the first two runs will not be included in the final run start list. DNFs may be given the opportunity to ski their third run on the day, dependent on the schedule of day and number of competitors.

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 guidebooks 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

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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. Any racers without a bib will be asked to leave the slope.

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 Etruscan House, ST1 5PL until 19:00 on 01/08/2025. After this the race office will transfer to Team Evolution Timing Hut from 08.00 on 02/08/2025, and contact can only be made by phone or email to the Race Secretary.

NOTICE BOARD

The official race notice board will be located by the provisional timing board at the Team Evolution marquee.

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 if you do not wish to be photographed. Any official photographs or video may be used for promotional purposes.

VOLUNTEERS & OFFICIALS

Please note races can only run with sufficient race officials. If you can assist, would like to shadow a particular role, or learn more about officiating, please contact the Race Secretary or Chief of Race.

COURSE INSPECTION

The course must be inspected wearing skis. No racer is allowed to ski the course during inspection. Course inspection may start at any point on the course.

PROTOCOL & PROTESTS

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. The official window for protest will take place for 15 minutes after the 3rd run of the U10/U12 race, and for 15 minutes after the 2nd and 3rd runs of the CN race. Unofficial information will also be published in the event WhatsApp group.

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RACE BIBS

Bibs can be collected from the rack underneath the Team Evolution marquee from 08:30.

Race bibs must be returned to the bib rack upon completion of the final run of competition. Failure to do so will result in a charge of £50 for each missing bib.

FIRST AID PROTOCOL

First Aid cover will be available on the day by members of the Team Evolution event staff, and Gosling Sport Park. 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.

ACCESS TO THE EVENT

Follow Junction 15 M6 and Queensway/A500 to A527 in Newcastle-under-Lyme. Then, follow signs for A527 and Festival Park. The Ski Centre is on Festival Way, ST1 5PU.

At the facility, there is limited on-site parking which will be marshalled by employees from Stoke Ski Centre. Any on-site parking will be prioritised for Stoke Ski Centre employees, the officials, race sponsors, before then becoming available to race entrants.

Additional parking can be found next to Waterworld Aqua Park. The car park is monitored by an Automated Number Plate Recognition system. The first 30 minutes of parking are free of charge, but for stays longer than 30 minutes, there is a fee. Please ensure that you input your registration details as the car park instructs to avoid a penalty charge. Further parking can also be found at the DoubleTree by Hilton, with all parking matters dealt with the hotel reception.

Participants are also kindly asked to ensure that any parking does not block the access routes for emergency vehicles during the event.

Participants should not arrive at the venue before 08:00. The ski centre will not open until 08.15, and bib issue will not begin until 08.30.

NEAREST ACCOMMODATION

Premier Inn Stoke-On-Trent Hanley – 5 Minutes from the slope
Etruria Road, Hanley, Stoke-On-Trent, ST1 5NH

DoubleTree by Hilton – 2 Minutes from the slope
Etruria Hall, Festival Way, Stoke-On-Trent, ST1 5BQ

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RACE SCHEDULE & DAILY PROGRAMME

The provisional programme is shown below. This programme may be updated as the number of entries is confirmed.

U10/U12 Programme

07:30 Officials' access
08:15 Ski centre open to public
08:30 Bib Issue Open
08:30 – 09:00 Open Practice
08:45 Officials Meeting
09:00 – 09:15 Course Setting
09:20 – 09:45 Course Inspection
10:00 U10/12 Run 1
10:20 U10/12 Run 2
10:40 U10/12 Run 3
11:15 Prize Giving

U14 – MAS Programme

07:30 Officials' access
08:15 Ski centre open to public
08:30 – 11:00 Bib Issue Open
08:45 Officials Meeting
11:15 – 11:45 Open Practice
11:45 – 12:00 Course Setting
12:00 – 12:25 Course Inspection
12:45 Run 1
13:20 Run 2
14:30 Run 3
15:30 Prize Giving

RACE TRAINING

Racers are invited to attend the **Team Evolution Stoke Camp – Presented by Rossignol & Bolle**. The camp is running the week before the Club National, beginning Tuesday 29th July until Friday 1st August. We have limited availability remaining on the camp,

Team Evolution will be bringing along our highly skilled full-time coaching team, supported by special guest coaches, to provide four days of action packed challenging training. Trainees can expect exciting slalom sets, challenging drills, intense head-to-head races, and exciting jump & park sessions.

Training will run from 10:00 – 16:00 each day, so you will have plenty of time to learn new skills across the week!

For more information and camp bookings, please visit: https://teamevolution.eu/camps/rossignol-race-camps/

CONTACT

For any further questions regarding the Team Evolution Club National, please contact the Chief of Race, Jordan Fellows, or the race secretary, Paul Telling, on the contact details below.

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