Outdoor Club National 2025
Sunday 26th April 2026

To be held at

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

Race Bulletin No. 1 – Invitation

Stoke Scorpions invites entries from registered and non-registered racers in the following age categories: MASTERS (1996 and earlier), SENIORS (1997-2005), U21 (2006-2008), U18 (2009-2010), U16 (2011-2012), U14 (2013-2014), U12 (2015-2016), U10 (2017-2018).

Children born 2019 and later are not eligible to enter.

For the U10 /U12's event the course will be set using stubbies and will not be seeded.

Deadline for online entries is 5pm Friday Friday 17th April 2026.
To enquire about late entries, if the race is undersubscribed, please contact the Race Secretary.

Rules and regulations available at http://gbski.com
Online information at https://gbski.com/competition/C1561

In the event that the race is over-subscribed priority will be given to registered racers with the highest seed points.

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

Entry fee is **£30**

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If you have any concerns about a child or adult, don't keep them to yourself,
inform the Event Welfare Officer of Snowsport England Safeguarding Lead without delay.

Why not make a Weekend of it with the Telford Club National on Saturday 25th April?

Organisation

This event is being organised by Stoke Scorpions.

Entry Criteria and Race Format

Seeded Competition

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 stubby gates, with three runs down the same course and prizes awarded based on the best time from any run.

Registered Racers

To be classed as registered, you must have paid your current year subscription to your relevant home nation governing body. If you are unsure, check at http://www.gbski.com/competitors.php where the 'Season' column will indicate the last paid season.

Unregistered Racers

Due to updated rules and regulations we are no longer able to accept entries from unregistered racers.

Race Entry and Refunds

Entry fee for this event is £30.

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

Entries close **5pm (17:00) Friday 17th April 2026**. Late entries may be accepted at an additional fee of £10.00.

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

Club National Race:
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

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

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 22nd April 2026 using the BARTS Outdoor Seed List 2026.0 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. The race will then be run in reverse bib order.

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. Anyone who fails to complete at least one of the first two runs will not be included in the final run start list.

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

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

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 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.
- Ski Poles must have bungs (unless poles provided by Stoke Ski Centre)

A reminder of recent changes to the rules, there is now a no hiking policy. If a skier misses a gate, they are no longer allowed to hike back up the hill to complete their run and should leave the course. If a skier comes to a stop, or after a fall, they cannot continue down the course. It is recommended that skier ski outside of the timing so that their run can be recorded as a DNF rather than a DSQ.

Race Office

The race office will be at race secretary's address until 4pm on Friday 25th July 2025. After this, the race office will transfer to the Race Office at Stoke Ski Centre from 7am on Saturday 26th July 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 outside the "Meet and Greet" Room.
We will also run a WhatsApp Group to publish start lists, protocol etc. – look out for details on the Acceptance Bulletin.

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. Official photographs will be available to download free of charge after the event.

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 worn bibs so that the number is visible from back and front 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

Bibs will be issued from the "Meet and Greet" Room. Race bibs must be returned on completion of their final run. Failure to do so will result in a charge of £30.00 for each missing bib.

First Aid

First Aid cover will be available on the day by Trevor Williams with the support of Stoke Scorpions. 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.

08:00	Officials Access
08:15 to 08:45	Race Office Open. Bib Collection (in front of Meet and Greet Room)
08:30 to 09:30	Open practice
08:45 to 09:00	Officials Briefing
09:30 to 10:00	Course Setting
10:00 to 10:25	Course Inspection U14+
10:30 to 11:10	1st run U14+ females, U14+ males
11.15 to 11:40	Course Inspection U10/U12
11:45 to 12:15	U10/U12 Run 1 &2
12:20 to 13:00	2nd run U14+ females, U14+ males
Protocol and Lunch Break (*approx. 60 mins for lunch*)	
14:00 to 15:10	3rd run U10/U12 (stubbies), 3rd run U14+ females, U14+ males
15:45	Prize Giving

Access

The Ski Centre will not be open until **8.00am** except for officials who need earlier access to set up the race.

Access to the slope is for officials and racers only. Coaches may accompany their racers during course inspection only but must be on skis or blades. Race trainers/coaches who accompany their racers must carry the relevant accreditation issued by the Race Office.

Open Practice

Race Day Open Practise is expected to run for an hour 08:30-09:30 (subject to entry numbers). During open practice 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.

Access to the ski storage area on the slope will be to racers wearing a bib and to officials only.

Racer assistants (e.g. coach or parent) will NOT be allowed in the Start Area because of the restricted size and the impact of overall numbers on the authorised fire capacity of arena

Open Practice will be available Friday 24th April 2026 4pm until 8pm at Stoke Ski Centre and can be booked hourly at £10 per 55 minutes online. https://shop.beyonk.com/ao0gdzk4/experiences/joc1ymuw

Logistics

Refreshments

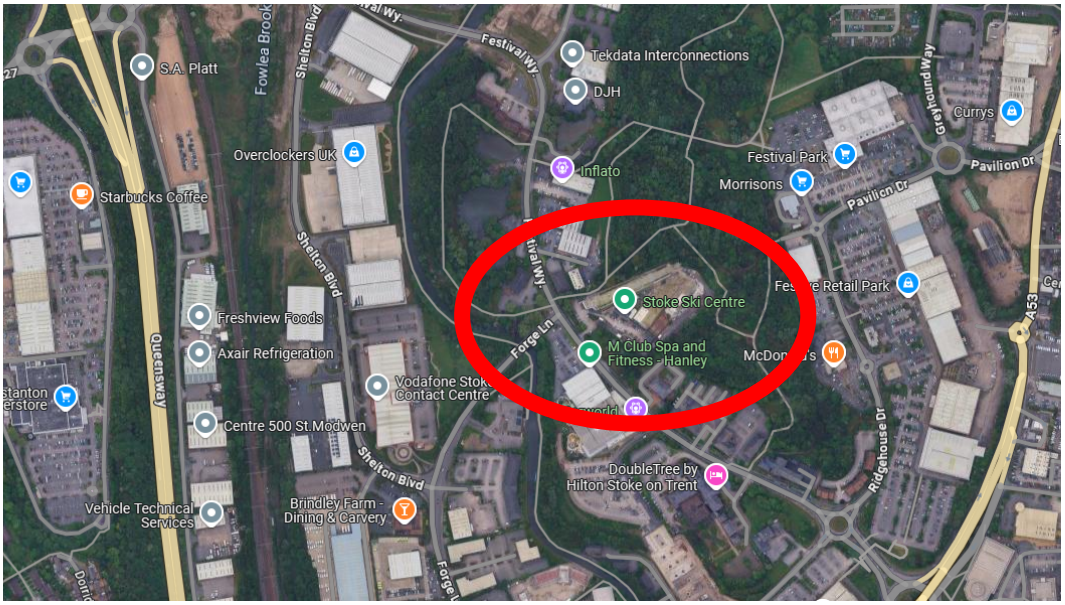
Refreshments are available from Summit Café.



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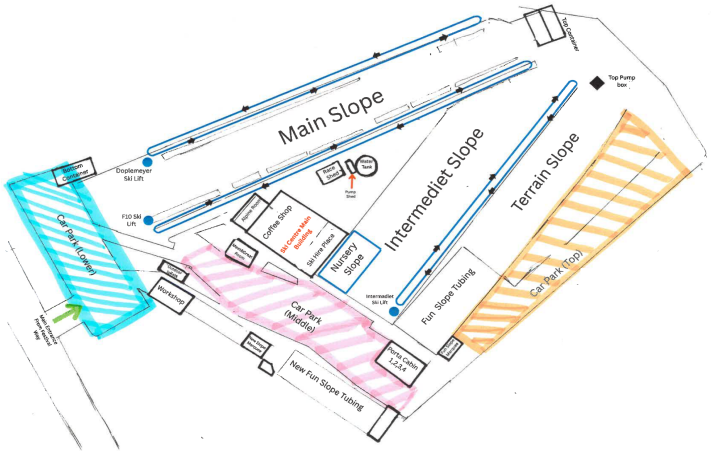
Directions



Follow J15 M6 and Queensway/A500 to A527 in Newcastle-under-Lyme. Take the A527 exit from Queensway/A500. Drive to Festival Way.

Parking

Parking onsite is restricted as below and will be marshalled by Stoke Ski Centre



Top Car Park "Orange" (43 Bays) – Officials and Staff parking
Middle Car Park "Pink" (37 Bays) – Ski Centre Customers Only (not for race entrants)
Bottom Car Park "Blue" (34 Bays) – Disability Parking and Drop off Zone

Parking will be made available at Tekdata Interconnections Limited (ST1 5SQ) for Club National Parking.

There is a private car park located next to Waterworld Aqua Park. The car park is monitored by an Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) System. The first 30 mins are free of charge (for drop off or collection). For stays longer than 30 mins, you will need to pay the appropriate charges as detailed below.

- Up to 30 mins – Free.
- Up to 2 hours 15 mins – £3.
- Up to 10 hours – £6.

You will need to input your registration number accurately to avoid a penalty charge.

Please note, on Peak days, if the car park is full, alternative parking can be found at the Doubletree By Hilton next door – all payments and parking matters need to be dealt with the hotel directly if you park there.