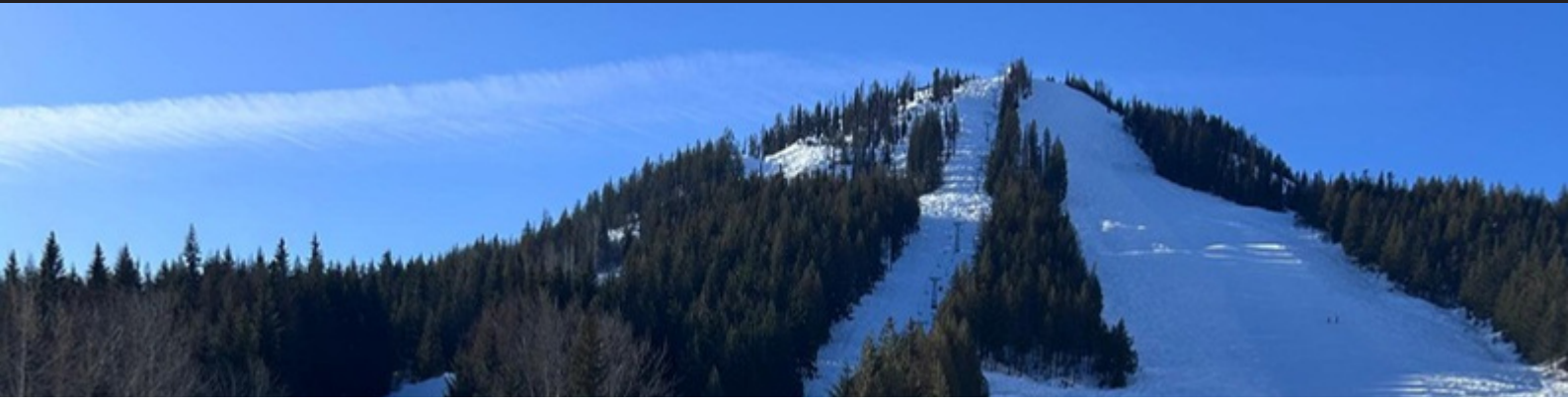




NEWSLETTER MARCH 2026

VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

February was a busy and exciting month for our club. Most teams were on the road for one or more away races, and as we move through the middle of the season, it's great to see racers beginning to realize the results of their hard work and dedication. Ski racer development is a steady progression, and it's rewarding to watch that growth happening across all of our athletes.

The biggest event for RMR in February was hosting the BC Games at the end of the month. Until about two weeks beforehand, it was uncertain whether we would be able to pull off the event due to challenging snow conditions. Thanks to the incredible efforts of Red Mountain Resort, with their extensive snowmaking and expert grooming, we were able to deliver a fantastic race course that held up extremely well over both days of competition.

A huge thank you also goes out to all of the volunteers who made this event possible. Hosting successful races this season helps ensure we can continue to host events in the future, and that is only possible because of the dedication of our volunteer community.

As we move into March, we're looking forward to an exciting stretch of racing, including the Zone Finals, U14 Provincials, U16 Westerns, and the FIS team heading to Whistler for a week of speed events.

We are currently working on plans for our end-of-season banquet and look forward to sharing more details soon—stay tuned.

Harold Roscoe

UPCOMING RACES

It's Race Season

- **NGSL: March 15 @Whitewater**
- **U12 & U14: March 28-29 Whitewater: Teck Kootenay Zone Race 3 - Zone Finals**
- **U14: March 20-22 Apex: Teck U14 Provincials**
- **U16: March 16 - 20 Castle Mtn: U16 Western Championships**
- **FIS: March 16 - 22 Whistler: BC Cup - Boyd Trophy**

See all training and race days per group
on the Calendars

[Calendars](#)



BC WINTER GAMES

We were excited to take part in the BC Winter Games this month!

The Red Mountain Racers athletes who qualified, represented our club with determination, sportsmanship, and team spirit. The event was a fantastic opportunity for them to compete at a high level, gain valuable race experience, and connect with athletes from across the province.

We are proud of their effort, resilience, and positive attitude throughout the week. Congratulations to all of our racers and coaches for their hard work and commitment! Thank you to all the volunteers who made possible this event.

Trail Times Article about BC Winter Games



RMR NGSL RACES

PHEONIX



Congratulations to all the participants for showing up and giving it their best. A huge thank you goes out to the hosts at Pheonix, as well as the volunteers, coaches, and parents who make these events possible.

March certainly delivered with a perfect bluebird day at Red Mountain. It was a spectacular setting for the NGSL race, and we couldn't have asked for better conditions to celebrate the effort of these young athletes.

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U12 TEAM UPDATE

Over the past month, the U12 team has been focusing on developing a variety of ski racing skills. Athletes are showing great improvement since the beginning of February.

We've also had some great opportunities to connect with other clubs. Whitewater Ski Club joined us here for a training day with our athletes, and then our U12s were invited to train at Whitewater with their team. These exchanges are a fantastic chance for the athletes to experience new terrain, train alongside other racers, and continue building their confidence and skills.

This past weekend we had a Zone Race at Red Mountain. The athletes have been working hard in training leading up to it and are progressing well as they prepare to put their skills to the test on race day



U14 TEAM UPDATE

Over the last month, the U14 team has been working on various skills in ski racing. Almost all of the training days have been very productive, and everyone is showing huge improvements since the beginning of February.

Last weekend we had the BC Games, and everyone got the chance to participate. Those who qualified were racing and trying their best to hit the podium, while those who didn't make the cut got the opportunity to forerun 2 runs each.

Moving into March, the U14 schedule is about to get pretty crazy. We had a Teck Zone Race last weekend, followed by one weekend of training, then Provincials in Apex, and finally Zone Finals in Whitewater. All of the training and dry-land we did leading up to this is about to be put to the test, and we'll see how we all stack up compared to the other racers in our zone and province.

U14 Lead Coach Kole Harle



U16 TEAM UPDATE

The U16 team had a busy and productive month. Many athletes traveled to Kimberley for the Teck Kootenay Zone Speed Camp to gain valuable Super-G training. It was a very successful camp, and the athletes were able to carry that momentum into strong performances at the Teck Open Super-G race series at Panorama later in the month.

In March, the team will compete at the Zone Race at Red Mountain before heading to Castle Mountain for the U16 Western Championships in mid-March.



FIS TEAM UPDATE

The FIS team had two race series in February. First up was another round of the BC Cup series at Apex. This had the team racing three slalom races over two days. The boys all received top 5 results, with Dylan landing on the podium in 2nd and Quin in 3rd in the U19 category, in separate races. On the girls' side, Charlotte had great top 10 finishes.

After Apex, the team had a four-day event, two SL and two GS in Sun Peaks, where the heavy hitters on the FIS circuit were in attendance. The team had very respectable results and gained more valuable experience racing on the FIS circuit.



Dylan taking Silver @ Apex



Elliott & Jen with Nancy Greene @ Sun Peaks



Elliott, Jen, Charlotte & Quin @ Sun Peaks



Quin taking Bronze @ Apex

COACH SPOTLIGHT



Ian Fry
U16 Assistant
Coach

Ian Fry is a former Red Mountain Racer who grew up in a passionate skiing family and developed his love for the sport on the slopes of Red Mountain. He raced with the club through the U14 level, building strong skiing fundamentals and a deep connection to the mountain community. After stepping away from ski racing in his early teens, Ian pursued another high-speed passion, downhill mountain biking, where he competed for several years. His competitive spirit eventually brought him back to snow sports, and he later returned to skiing to briefly compete on the Nor-Am Ski Cross circuit.

When he's not on the mountain, Ian works nights as a snowplow truck driver, helping keep the local roads clear through the winter. His love for speed extends beyond snow as well, he competes in the Canadian Rally Championship, racing his Subaru Legacy under the name Warrior Rally. Now giving back to the sport where it all began, Ian has joined the Red Mountain Racers coaching team as a U16 Assistant Coach. With his diverse racing background, energy, and deep roots in the club, he brings a unique perspective and enthusiasm to helping the next generation of athletes develop their skills and passion for skiing.



Jesse
U14 Assistant
Coach

Jesse grew up competing in alpine ski racing and later coaching with Rabbit Hill Ski Club, a small river valley resort on the North Saskatchewan River near Edmonton. Long days of T-bar laps on cold slalom and GS courses quickly turned into a lifelong passion. Over the years he has tried and excelled in many other sports, but alpine ski racing has always remained his favorite. He has also spent countless days exploring the mountains of the Canadian Rockies. After high school, while working in carpentry, he frequently travelled to ski in the Okanagan and Revelstoke. During college in the Calgary area, he coached with the Nakiska program, further developing his coaching experience and deepening his connection to the sport.

More recently, the mountains drew him to the Kootenays. Since moving to the region, he has been skiing at Red Mountain for the past two seasons, with this year marking his first working with the RMR program. He has enjoyed being part of the club and has been impressed watching the athletes grow, develop their skills, and build confidence throughout the season. He values creating a supportive environment where athletes can challenge themselves, improve their technical skiing, and develop a lifelong love for the mountains and the sport.

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



Jacek Kisynski
Treasurer

Jacek has been an important part of our club for the past four years, serving as Treasurer and one of our three Executive Officers.

He plays a key role in keeping our finances organized and is always looking for ways to improve our internal systems.

You'll often see Jacek around the hill helping wherever he's needed, coaching, working on the race course, or taking photos during races. His passion for the club and his great sense of humour are always appreciated.

Jacek's two daughters are also part of our program: Amelia is in her second year of the U12 Competitive Program, and Natalia is in her final year of Nancy Greene. His wife, Sylwia, is often seen taking photos at races and helping with the club's social media.

Don't forget to thank Jacek, for all the work he does to support our club!



Brent Hahn
Chief of Course

If you've been around our race venues, you've likely seen Brent moving B-nets, setting up starts and corrals, or helping wherever needed. He previously coached in the NCSL program and stepped in as NG Coordinator before the role formally existed. Today, he serves as our Chief of Course, ensuring race days run smoothly and safely.

Brent is a Level 3 CSIA instructor, Level 2 coach, and Level 2 official. A third-generation skier, he raced in high school in Ontario and began teaching skiing at just 16. Skiing is truly a family passion—his kids Oliver (U16) and Phelix (U14) are both in the program, and his wife April supports the club as our Volunteer Coordinator.

When he's not on the hill, Brent can often be found playing in a local music band with some of the other race parents. Even after spending a full day volunteering at the hill, he still manages to bring great energy wherever he goes, his enthusiasm is truly contagious.

Next time you see Brent around the hill, please take a moment to say thank you for his years of dedication and for everything he does for our athletes and club.

MOUNTAIN ETIQUETTE

We are deeply saddened by the tragic avalanche that occurred on February 27 at Nakiska Ski Area involving two athletes from the Alberta Ski Association. One athlete was able to self-rescue, while the other, just 15 years old, sadly lost his life.

Our heartfelt condolences go out to the family, friends, teammates, and everyone affected by this devastating loss.

Avalanche season can bring serious and unpredictable risks. As many young athletes and outdoor enthusiasts enjoy the mountains, we encourage everyone to stay informed, follow avalanche safety guidelines, and respect all ski resort instructions and closures. Taking these precautions helps reduce risk and keeps our mountain communities safer.

Our thoughts are with everyone impacted. Please stay safe.

As always, please remember to:

1. Respect Lift Lines

Join the lift line calmly, avoid cutting in, and follow all loading instructions from lift staff.

2. Give Space on the Slopes

Ski runs are crowded! Maintain safe distances, ski in control, and always yield to the downhill skier.

3. Be Aware in Training Areas

Please keep clear of designated training lanes and respect closures. Coaches need space to run safe, effective sessions.

4. Gear Zones Only

Store skis, poles, and bags in designated areas. Avoid leaving equipment scattered around lodges, decks, or walkways.

5. Be Mountain-Ready

Arrive on time, dressed appropriately, and with all necessary gear. Well-prepared athletes help keep the group moving efficiently.

6. Show Kindness and Patience

Staff, visitors, and fellow athletes all feel the holiday rush. A little patience and courtesy go a long way.

7. Pack In & Pack Out

Help keep the mountain clean, take all garbage with you and leave spaces tidy. Thank you for helping our athletes set a positive example and contribute to a safe and an enjoyable holiday season at RED!

Remember, Red Mountain Racers are ambassadors of our mountain and our community. Wear your jacket with pride.

COMMUNITY UPDATES



NANCY GREENE KOOTENAY

Nancy Greene Ski League
Fun End Season Festival-
March 15th, Whitewater,
Nelson



SPRING CAMPS NGSL, U12, U14

March Break camps
are coming soon.



BOTTLE COLLECTION

Our newest Fundraiser &
we need your help! We
will be collecting at the
Slalom Creek Condos.

VOLUNTEER REPORTING

To help us better understand the volunteer effort that keeps our club running smoothly, we ask anyone who volunteers to complete a short reporting form. Whether you helped at the ski swap, sold Christmas trees, or assisted as a tail gunner for a Nancy Greene group, your contributions are truly appreciated. The information will help us plan volunteer needs and maintain a simple record of everyone's efforts. All responses will be kept confidential.

To get the reporting started, we need to do a little catch-up. Please take a moment to report any volunteer activities you've participated in since July 1, 2025—whether it was at the ski swap, running wire at the mountain, selling trees, or any other way you've helped out.

[Report Your Volunteer Hours Here](#)

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The legacy of ski racing at Red Mountain runs as deep as the powder on our storied slopes. From hosting Canada's first National Championships in 1898 to our formal establishment as Red Mountain Racers in 1947, we've been cultivating alpine excellence for generations.

As a not-for-profit dedicated to developing exceptional ski racers across all alpine disciplines, our impact is measured both on snow and in the community. Our alumni proudly represent BC and Canada on national teams and NCAA rosters, while the fundamental skills we foster have launched successful careers in Skier Cross and Freeskiing competitions.

Beyond competitive achievements, we've helped hundreds of young athletes develop into skilled, passionate skiers who carry the values of dedication, camaraderie, and mountain stewardship into adulthood. Red Mountain Racers isn't just a club—it's a cornerstone of our community's identity and a proven pathway to athletic excellence.

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Thank you for reading!

PHOTO GALLERY

We want your pictures. They can be of just about anything ski-related. Training, racing, pow-day, fun with friends, etc... We will feature as many as we can each month at the end of the newsletter.

Email your pictures to vicepresident@redmountainracers.com and put 'Newsletter Pictures' in the subject line.



NGSL athlete getting ready for the ski race on Red Mountain, March 1st



Athletes from WH20 and RMR training together



RMR athletes training with WH20 club



U12 Girls having some photo fun



Kootenay Zone Forerunners



U12 racers