



NEWSLETTER MAY 2026

VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Another race season has come to a close. While we faced a challenging start, our coaches and racers found a way to adapt and make the most of it. From training days at Whitewater to Southern Comfort gate sessions, the early season was filled with both challenges and valuable opportunities for growth.

We are proud to share that it was an extremely successful season. Congratulations to all of our racers for their hard work in training and their commitment on race days. A heartfelt thank-you goes out to our incredible coaches, who work day in and day out to support athletes' development and help our skiers reach their potential. Finally, thank you to all of our volunteers—our club simply wouldn't function without your time and dedication.

As we move into summer, the board is busy planning for next season, preparing grant applications, and wrapping up the past year. Our Annual General Meeting will be held on September 27th, where a new board will be elected. Anyone interested in joining the board will have the opportunity to put their name forward in the fall. Please feel free to reach out to any current board member to learn more about what's involved.

We will be taking a break from publishing the newsletter over the summer and look forward to returning in the fall.

Harold Roscoe

RMR CLEAN THE MOUNTAIN & EQUIPMENT STORAGE DAY

While race season may be over, our club activities continue

Our **annual RMR Clean the Mountain & Equipment Storage Day** is coming up. We'll be tidying around the race building, returning equipment and netting to the T-Bar Seacan, and sweeping the training slope to collect any stray equipment and garbage. We'll divide into a few groups to work efficiently. Racers and families are welcome.

Date: Sunday, May 24th

Start Time: 9:00 AM

Estimated Duration: ~3 hours

Location: Meet by the stairs to the lodge deck at Red Mountain

If you haven't attended before, it's a great opportunity to meet other RMR members, racers and families, and to get a better sense of how the club operates on the mountain.

Please use the sign-up link below to let us know you're able to attend.

Thanks in advance—our club truly depends on the time and effort of our members, and we couldn't do it without you.

Sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4EA5A92BA7FFCE9-64127993-mountain>

For anyone who did not attend the awards evening, we will have certificates available for pick up on the 24th.



YOUR CLUB NEEDS YOUR HELP

We have several great initiatives we'd love to move forward with, but we can't do so without our members' support. We have over 200 members, and we want to do a better job of drawing on the amazing talent within the club.

Below is a list of current and upcoming projects and working groups where we're looking for help. If something catches your interest and you'd like to get involved or learn more, please reach out to Harold Roscoe at: vicepresident@redmountainracers.com

- **Newsletter Contributors:** Help with writing and editing the newsletter starting in the fall. We brought the newsletter back to life this past season and want to build off this season's momentum. We need a few more people to assist in writing and editing.
- **Fundraising Group:** We have our regular fundraisers, such as the ski swap, Christmas trees, and the race event we host. This group would focus on adding a couple more fundraising opportunities. We have a few good ideas, but we need a few members to help implement them (e.g. Ferraro Foods gift cards).
- **Equipment Manager(s):** We are looking for one or two people to serve as equipment manager(s). The club owns an extensive selection of gear, stored in several locations around the mountain. The equipment manager(s) will become familiar with gear and locations, do a yearly inventory and help ensure items are in good condition.
- **Race Building Renovation:** Do you have carpentry skills? There are a couple of projects, ranging in size, that would be great to get done this summer. As the building is not in use in summer, these can be worked on at your leisure.



AWARD WINNERS

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- Abby Award NGSL
- Best Performance - Girl U14
- Best Performance - Boy U14
- Best Performance - Girl U16
- Best Performance - Boy U16
- Best Performance - Girl U18 (FIS)
- Best Performance - Boy U18 (FIS)
- Most Improved - Junior Boy
- Most Improved - Junior Girl
- Don Delich, Most Dedicated Racer
- Ian MacKay, Outstanding Sportsperson

RECIPIENT

Ellie East
Alaina Coutts
Jaime Ansele
Mômine Thériault
Alistair Smith
Charlotte Anderson
Dylan McDowell
Lundy Kalawsky
Sloane Pol
Liam McDowell
Chris Roach



VOLUNTEER AWARDS

Traditionally, the club has awarded one volunteer award each year. It is extraordinarily difficult to choose one person with several being so deserving. This year, we did several volunteer recognition awards and one volunteer of the year award.

Volunteer Recognition Recipients

- Jacek Kisynski - Club Treasurer
- Sylwia Kisynska - Social media and newsletter
- Tara Hauck - NG Coach, Volunteered at all race events
- April Hahn - Volunteer Coordinator extraordinaire
- Brent Hahn - Chief of Race, endless hours preparing & during race events
- Jeff Thériault - Chief of Course, endless hours preparing & during race events

Volunteer of the Year Tove Pashkowski



Tove has quietly become one of the people who keep this club running smoothly. This year, she put in a huge amount of extra work helping Jacek with finances—sorting out payroll, invoicing, and bringing more organization to our systems.

She never complains, always thinks about what's best for the club, and brings a calm, steady presence to everything she does.

Tove has been supporting RMR for years. She was part of the NGSL working group during the early days of COVID, helping to keep the program fun and engaging despite all the restrictions. Even after we hired a paid coordinator, she continued to support the NGSL program and step in wherever needed.

As a long-time board member, she's helped build structure and improve how the club operates. And on top of all that, she coaches—and jumps in without hesitation when NGSL is short a coach.

Tove's dedication, reliability, and genuine care for the club make her an incredible volunteer.

And if that weren't enough, at race events, she can even be found skiing with two bags of salt when the conditions call for it.

KOOTENAY CUP

The Kootenay Cup is awarded to the Kootenay Zone team that has the best overall results from the Kootenay Zone race series. It has been some time since the Red Mountain Racers have won, but this was our year.

To mark the occasion, we decorated the cup with a new RMR sticker, front and center. Congratulations to all racers and coaches!



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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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