

ERSA Ski Race Championships 2011

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Brentwood Park Ski Centre

Warley Gap, Little Warley, Brentwood, Essex,

Tel:- 01277 211994

Race Date: - Saturday 1st October 2011

Hemel Snow Centre

St Albans Hill, Hemel Hempstead, Herts,

Tel.: 01442 241321

Race Date: - Sunday 2nd October 2011

Race Bulletin 1 & Invitation

Race Criteria

The ERSA Champs will be held over 2 days on 2 different surfaces.

DAY 1 Saturday 1st October – Brentwood Park "Plastic"

DAY 2 Sunday 2nd October – Hemel Snow Centre "Indoor Snow", Max 150 entries + Boys + Girls. Each day event will consist of 2 runs down the same course and shall be a separate competition in its own right. The Champion ERSA racers for 2011 will be decided by the combination of the fastest time from each day's event.

The Championship Team Event including the Super 7 will take place on the Saturday. A Championship Super G will take place on the Sunday after the individual event.

Entry Criteria

All competitors must have as their Club, a Club which is affiliated to ERSA as listed on ERSA website (http://www.ersa.co.uk/ersa_clubs) and each Club has to provide race officials (See below). Entry to the event will be via the online system or through the Clubs Race Manager. Payment if not online will be by one cheque made payable to ERSA and presented by the race manager before bibs are issued on race day.

Entry fee for the Championships is £22.00 for both days combined...

Entry is available for the individual races with a fee of £12 for the "plastic" and £20.00 for the "Indoor Snow". Priority will be given to those members that wish to enter both days. There will be no family discount for either or both days.

ERSA members may enter either or both events, however if either event is over subscribed then priority will be given to those entering both days and having paid before the closing date.

There will be no separate Mini category; minis (if accepted) will be incorporated into the boys and girls race. All Boys and Girls will be accepted and if over subscribed in the Age Group Championship event an ERSA seedpoint criteria will be applied with priority being given to the lower pointed racers.

If required an ERSA seedpoint cut of will be applied to maintain the standard of the competition.

The entry criteria will be reviewed by both ERSA RTP and the clubs race managers to ensure fairness and correct procedures have been applied. A percentage of entries into each age group will be accepted to ensure a fair competition in each age category.

THE ERSA CHAMPS IS OPEN TO INDIVIDUALS AND TEAMS WHO ARE MEMBERS OF A CLUB WITHIN THE EASTERN REGION SNOWSPORT ASSOCIATION REGISTERED WITH SNOWSPORT ENGLAND AND TO INDIVIDUALS IF REGISTERED WITH SNOWSPORT ENGLAND WHOSE 1ST OR 2ND NAMED CLUB IS AN EASTERN REGION CLUB. TO BE ACCEPTED INTO THE RACE A COMPETITOR MUST HAVE ERSA POINTS. THE START LIST WILL BE COMPILED USING THE LATEST ERSA SEEDPOINT LIST. THE RTP AND THE RACE MANAGERS WILL CONSIDER INDIVIDUALS WHO DO NOT COMPLY WITH THIS CRITERION BUT WISH TO COMPETE IN THE ERSA CHAMPIONSHIPS.

As the event is expected to be over subscribed it is recommended that you enter by the closing date. Late entries will only be accepted if space available with the payment of the appropriate fee.

Championship Format:

Girls & Boys and Age Group Championships

- ❖ The Championships are run as a special slalom (2 runs, same courses, both runs to count for awards on the day) and will be run under F.I.S. rules varied by SSE and ERSA. In each run the Girls and Boys will race first, followed by the Age Group Championships, females before males.
- ❖ The fastest time of each day's event will be combined to find the ERSA Ski Race Champion for 2011. A start list will be compiled using the latest ERSA Seedlists.
- ❖ The top 15 seeded racers, male and female, and all boys and girls will be drawn for start order in both events. The start order for Run 1 will be valid for both days.
- ❖ Lowest Bib numbers race first for Run 1.
- ❖ The second run start order will be from the results of the first run, on the plastic surface the fastest racer last. On the Indoor snow the fastest racer will be 15th with the 15th fastest racer from run 1 going first. The rest will follow in time order.
- ❖ The start draw will take into account those entering both days. The lowest bib numbers will be given to "Championship" racers with others (if space available) getting the higher numbers and racing last in both runs on both days. Ie priority given to those entering the ERSA Champs and not individual races.

Team Events

- Each Ski Club can enter one Team into the main events.
- Entry criteria and rules will be the same as for the Summer League.
- Competitors for the Dual Slalom events can race in any order but must stay in that same order for all races
- * Racers may not ski for more than one category or club. However racers may enter the Special 7 in addition to the team events.
- ❖ Teams must nominate a team captain, this may be a racing member or not.

No late entries will be accepted into the team event.

<u>Children's Team</u> must consist of 5 racers in the CH1, CH2 and BG Age groups. One team member must be female and one must be male. **The event is a Parallel Relay**.

<u>Open Age Group Teams</u> may comprise of 5 racers from any age group. One team member must be female and one must be male. **The event is a Parallel Relay**.

<u>Senior Teams</u> must consist of 5 racers who are in the Senior and Masters Age Groups. One team member must be female and one a male. **The event is a Parallel Relay**.

<u>Special Team Event</u> will consist of ANY 7 competitors, male or female from any age group. Teams may elect to race in any order but this order must be declared before the event and may not be changed. A seeding system based on the ERSA Summer League seed points will be used and race rules will be the same as for the Summer League. **The event is a Parallel Relay**

Awards

Awards will be given in the following categories on each day and on Sunday the Overall ERSA Champion awards 2011 will be presented:

GIRLS & BOYS CHAMPIONSHIP

GIRLS and BOYS	(born 2001 and after)	1st, 2nd and 3rd	female and male	
AGE GROUP CHAMPIONSHIP				

1st, 2nd and 3rd female and male CHILDREN I (born 1999/2000) CHILDREN 2 (born 1997/1998) 1st, 2nd and 3rd female and male JUNIOR I (born 1995/1996) 1st, 2nd and 3rd female and male JUNIOR II female and male (born 1992/1994) 1st, 2nd and 3rd **SENIORS** (born 1982 – 1991) 1st, 2nd and 3rd female and male 1st, 2nd and 3rd MASTERS 1 (born 1972 – 1981) female and male MASTERS 2 (born 1962 - 1971) 1st, 2nd and 3rd female and male MASTERS 3 (born 1961 & before) 1st, 2nd and 3rd female and male female and male SKIERS WITH DISABILITIES 1st

All prize winners are expected to show due courtesy to the organisers by being present at the prize giving ceremony. Those who do not attend without good reason will lose their claim to an award.

Race Rules

The race will be run under F.I.S. rules as varied by ERSA and Snowsport England and published in the British Artificial Competition Rules – Version 2010.

The Start Referee has the right to refuse a racer starting if the racer does not appear on time in the start. The Start Referee will be instructed to work to FIS613.6.

TDs/Referees have been instructed to apply the unsportsmanlike behaviour rule to any competitor using bad language.

Competitors are reminded of the regulations requiring the use of protective 'bungs' or caps on ski pole tips for plastic races, and those rules governing the limits on ski/binding height. These regulations are liable to be enforced during this event.

Gloves and long sleeved garments which also cover the midriff must be worn at all times whilst on the slope, including during open practice, course inspection and the race itself. Racers are reminded that their clothing should provide adequate protection. It has been noted that some racers have been wearing clothing that does not adequately protect their body; that is ankle to wrist cover. Racing in crop tops is not acceptable.

All competitors MUST wear a properly fitted and approved safety helmet on the slope throughout the event; this includes the practice session and course inspection unless otherwise notified, fore runners, and the race itself. (Helmets should be compliant with standard BS EN 1077:1996 Specification for helmets for alpine skiers).

Bibs MUST be worn during open practice, inspection and the race so the number is visible from the front and back.

For health and safety reasons no ski preparation/spraying etc is to take place within the start area

Course Inspection

The course must be inspected wearing skis (or properly leashed snowblades), and bibs must be worn throughout course inspection so that the race number is clearly visible.

No-one is allowed to ski the course during inspection or allowed to enter the start area.

Race trainers/coaches may accompany their racers. Course inspection may start from any point on the course and racers must come to a complete stop between each gate when inspecting.

The method and timing of course inspection will be varied according to circumstances.

Protests against Acceptance / Late Entries

Closing date will be on Wednesday 21st September. Protests against non-acceptance must be received in writing or email by the Race Secretary by first post or email by Monday 26th September 2011.

Results of protests and confirmation of acceptance of late entries may be obtained by telephoning or emailing the Race Secretary.

Race Office

The Race Office will be at the Race Secretary's address until the evening of Friday 30th September. It will then be located in the various centres on Race Day.

Notice Board

The official race notice board will be located outside the Race Office on both days.

Commentator Sheets and Race Bibs

Commentator sheets must be completed and handed in when collecting a race bib.

Race bibs must be returned to the Finish Marshall on completion of the individual events in good condition, failure to do so will result in a charge of £25.00 for each missing or damaged bib.

Referee's Report Protests

Referee's Report protests must be made on official forms which will be available at the Race Office.

Refunds

Once accepted into the race the race entry fee is payable to ERSA, refunds will only be given to racers if a request is supported by written medical evidence.

Photography

ERSA will approve an official photographer for the Championships and will be accredited by the organisers. No other photographers will be permitted on the slope without prior accreditation by the organisers. Photographs will be taken of all racers. These photographs may be used on the ERSA website to help promote the regional racing. The sponsors, Team Evolution, may also use some photographs on their website in conjunction with the sponsorship. Should you wish not to have your photograph taken or displayed on either website please inform the Race Secretary on race day or before via email.

Refreshments

There will be food and drink available for sale throughout the day from the Ski centre's bar/bbg.

First Aid

Qualified First Aid personnel will be in attendance at the race.

Ski Hire

Please take note that for this event, skis will be available from the Ski Club for racing only. They will not be issued as a spare for course inspection, open practice etc.

Race Officials

To ensure the smooth running of the Championships, each Club must provide RACE OFFICIALS to help run the event on the day as agreed at the Race Managers meeting. Duties will be allocated per club, not per official so if clubs wish to share their tasks this is acceptable. Officials will get a briefing. Hot and Cold drinks will be provided during the race but as officials tend to rejoin their clubs and family for the period between the two runs they are asked to provide their own lunch. The officials will also be required for the team events.

Race Secretary

Brentwood – Janet Jenkins 55 The Street Surlingham, Norwich Norfolk, NR14 7AJ Tel: 01508 538084

Email: janet@jenkins.gb.com

Child Welfare Officer

TBA

Chief of Race's

Brentwood – Bernard Wright. Email – bernard@lindseygang.co.uk

Hemel – Ian Mawson Email - i.mawson@ntlworld.com

ERSA CHAMPIONSHIPS 2011

Programme Saturday 1st October – Brentwood Park

morning

Girls & Boys Championship (born 2001 and after)

Age Group Championship (born 2000 and before)

afternoon

Interclub Parallel Slalom and Special Team Event.

08.00am	- 09.00am	Race Office open.
08.15am	- 09.00am	Bib Collection.
08.15am	- 09.00am	Practice session
08.30am	- 08:45am	Team Managers meeting
08.45am	- 09:00am	Meeting for ALL Race Officials
09.00am	- 09.20am	Course Setting
09.20am	- 09.50am	Course Inspection
10.00am	- 12.30am	First Run + Second Run
12.45pm	- 13.00pm	Course Setting (Dual Slalom)
13.20pm	- 2.50pm	Interclub Team Events Special Team Event

2.55pm

PRIZE GIVING CEREMONY

Every attempt will be made to keep to the stated times, but the organisers reserve the right to change the times if necessary. Please check the Race Notice Board on arrival and listen out for announcements over the P.A. system.



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Programme Sunday 2nd October – Hemel Snow Centre

Morning Girls & Boys Championship (born 2001 and after)

Age Group Championship (born 2000 and before)

Late morning ERSA Championship "Super GS".

06.30am		Entry to HSC by officials only
07.00am		Entry to Competitors
07.00am		Access to Snow, Course setting
07.15am	- 08.15am	Practice session to include Course Inspection
07.30am		Team Managers meeting
07.45am		Meeting for ALL Race Officials
08.30am	- 11.15am	First Run + Second Run
11.20am		Course Setting – Super GS
11.30am	- 13.15pm	Super GS Run Start order to be decided. (No Course Inspection)
13.30pm		PRIZE GIVING CEREMONY

Every attempt will be made to keep to the stated times, but the organisers reserve the right to change the times if necessary. Please check the Race Notice Board on arrival and listen out for announcements over the P.A. system.



ERSA CHAMPIONSHIPS SATURDAY 1st OCTOBER & SUNDAY 2nd OCTOBER 2011. RACE ENTRY FORM

Closing Date: 21st September 2011 (Race Managers use only)

- ❖ Return the entry form to the Race Secretary and e mail a copy of entered racers only to the Steve Lambert by Friday 23rd September 2011.
- ❖ Payment may be made for both races if not online by one cheque payable to ERSA on Saturday 1st October before bibs are issued.
- Online entry is available.

Individual late entries will be accepted if space available by contacting the Race Secretary with the payment of Race entry fee in addition to late entry fee of £5.00 for each day. No late entries after Thursday 29th September will be accepted.

Race Secretary: Janet Jenkins 55 The Street Surlingham, Norwich Norfolk, NR14 7AJ Tel: 01508 538084 Email : janet@jenkins.gb.com	Registrations Steve Lambert email Steve Lambert (stevenlambert@ntlworld.com)
CLUB: TEAM EVENT Saturday 1 st October: Entry We wish to enter the Team event: a) Children	Fee per team: £15.00
b) Open \square c) Senior & Masters \square	
RACE OFFICIALS: Names of officials as be allocated to each competing club account the day. It is the responsibility of ea aware of their responsibilities and attendevent. Actual time to be notified.	are required beforehand but duties will briding to number of entered competitors children to ensure that their officials are
NAME: 1. 2. 3. 4. Clubs must aware that athletes may	5. 6. 7. 8. y be barred from competing if these

duties are not filled. (Agreed by all the Race Managers)

ERSA CHAMPIONSHIPS TEAM EVENTS (Saturday)			
Ski Club is entering:			
Team Events @£15.00 per team (Saturday Event)	£		
Cheque enclosed for =	£		

Cheques payable to ERSA.