

For Immediate Release – December 23, 2019: Snow cooperated and the Teck Coast Cup & BC Winter Games trials kicked off at Whistler Olympic Park this past weekend!



Hollyburn Cross Country Ski Club and other clubs in the region participated in the Teck BC Coast Cup 2/BC Winter Games Trials at Whistler Olympic Park on Saturday, December 21st. The first Coast Cup of the season was cancelled due to lack of snow in early December; however, Whistler Olympic Park fortunately received a healthy blanket in the days leading up to this second race. Hollyburn and CVXC managed to pull together the event at the 11th hour. As the temperature hovered near zero, over 100 athletes competed in a classic technique race and a committed crew of volunteers came out of the woodwork to make the event a great success! And the team at Whistler Olympic Park groomed a great course. Klister, Nordiq Canada's mascot, even made an appearance!

'Once it was determined that there was enough snow to run the race, within 48 hours we were able to rally over 40 volunteers, many of whom didn't even have children racing in the event.' said Hollyburn coaching coordinator, Nancy Hill.

This race was part of six races in the Teck Coast Cup series. Distances ranged from 750m for the mini athletes to ten kilometres for the adults. Athletes born in 2005 and 2006 competed for spots at the BC Winter Games to be held in Fort St. John on February 20-23.

The Hollyburn Cross Country Ski Club of Vancouver www.hollyburnxc.ca was excited to be the host club. Hollyburn is a 500 member not-for-profit organization that depends on its volunteers. The club supports skiers of all ages to develop a 'lifelong passion' for the sport. Hollyburn has also raised some very talented athletes who have made it to the National Team.



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Cross Country BC (CCBC), the provincial sport governing body for cross country skiing in British Columbia, is a not-for-profit, club-based organization of more than 18,000 members. CCBC offers programs and services to support the continuous development of cross country skiing for all ages and abilities, from introductory experiences to international excellence.

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