

Revelstoke Nordic hosts Okanagan Cup race at Mount Macpherson

The Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club and lots of volunteers hosted their first Okanagan Cup ski race of 2016 on Saturday, and lots of Revelstoke racers finished on the podium.

*By **Revelstoke Mountaineer staff** - Jan 4, 2016*



A racer skis past the Nordic Ski Lodge at Mount Macpherson during an Okanagan Cup race on Saturday. Photo: Mike Thomas/Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club

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By Alana Brittin and Elizabeth Elliott

This weekend at the Mount Macpherson ski trails, the Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club and lots of volunteers hosted their first Okanagan Cup ski race of 2016. It was cold and crisp under blue skies.

In addition to being an Okanagan Cup race it was also a qualifier for boys and girls born in 2001 and 2002. The top two of each respective age category qualified to attend the BC Winter Games in Penticton in February of this year. Wild card spots are also offered and it is likely the third- and fourth-place finishers will also qualify to go to the Games.

252 athletes registered for the Okanagan Cup this weekend. The racers travelled from all over the Okanagan, including Valhalla Hills Nordic Ski Club, Larch Hills Nordic, Telemark, Sovereign Lake, Overlander Ski Club, Nickel Plate, and Revelstoke, of course.

From outside of the Okanagan there were a few racers from Canmore Nordic and two racers from Australia's New South Wales Cross-Country Ski Club. Racers from our home club did tremendously well. Many racers from Revelstoke placed in the top five, as listed below:



*Racers compete on the trails. Photo:
Mike Thomas/Revelstoke Nordic Ski
Club*



*Racers at the start line at Mount
Macpherson. Mike Thomas/Revelstoke
Nordic Ski Club*

Atom Boys 1:

Irah Cameron-Harding 2nd

Hamish Woodman 3rd

Henri Gallant 4th

Zachary Grabinsky 5th

Atom Boys 2:

Nicholas Gill 3rd

Atom Boys 3:

Kiearn MacIntosh 2nd:

Atom Girls 1:

Megan Norrie 1st

Micayla MacIntosh 2nd

Sela McMechan 3rd

Atom Girls 2:

Livia McMechan 2nd

Atom Girls 3:

Fiona Woodman 1st

Norah Painter 2nd



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Nordic Ski Club*

Emilie Paquin 3rd

Pewee Boys 1:

Cameron Norrie 4th

Tobin Gill 5th

Pewee Girls 1:

Natalie Morrone 1st

Isobel Wilson 4th

Pewee Girls 2:

Ruby Serrouya 1st

Sophie van Oort 5th

Bantam Boys 2:

Elliot Wilson 2nd

Bantam Girls 1:

Maeve MacLeod 3rd

Midget Girls 1:

Jaelyn Elliott 3rd

Midget Girls 2: (BC Winter Games)

Kolibri Drobish 1st



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Nordic Ski Club*

Rebecca Brosch 5th

Juvenile Boys 1: (BC Winter Games)

Simon Blackie 2nd

Erik Brosch 3rd

Juvenile Girls 1: (BC Winter Games)

Miika Park 4th

Juvenile Girls 2:

Alana Brittin 1st

Elizabeth Elliott 2nd

Masters Women 40-49:

Nikki Norrie 4th

Masters Women 30-39:

Marnie Graf 2nd

Masters Men 30-39:

Patrick McMechan 3rd

Masters Men 40-49:

Andrew Sheppard 4th

Masters Men 60-69:

Norm Tennant 1st



On the podium. Photo: Mike Thomas/Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club



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We would like to wish good luck to all the skiers who qualified for the Winter Games. A huge thank you to all 62 volunteers who worked extremely hard to help make this race happen. And another huge thank you to Skookum, Flowt, Begbie Brewery, Pharmasave, Revelstoke Rotary Club, The Modern Bakery, Outdoor Research for donating draw and award prizes, and Verena von Bremen from Vernon for announcing all day in the cold conditions.

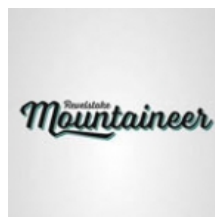
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