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Series of XC ski races at Whistler Olympic Park a great success this past weekend



Midget girls at the start line

Hollyburn Cross Country Ski Club and **Whistler Olympic Park** hosted a series of races this past weekend. **Teck BC Cup #1, Coast Cups #2 & 3,** and **BC Winter Games Trials (for zones 3, 4 & 5)** saw a great turnout as athletes from all over the province competed. There were some challenging snow conditions as the temperature hovered around zero, but rain held off for the most part.

Events were integrated into two main races. On January 6th there was a classic technique course and on January 7th there was a mass start free technique event. Course distances ranged

from 750 metres for the little ones to 10 km for the older racers. Results are posted here: <https://zone4.ca/event/f17822dc-ef3b-11e7-b99f-0ad99e951742/>

Dirk Rohde, Hollyburn President, had the following to say, *“We had an excellent turnout for this event at well over 400 skiers, plus their coaches and families! We're pleased to have hosted these races to bring together the BC cross country ski community. We would also like to say a big thank-you to the tireless volunteers who made the magic happen!”*

The next cross country ski race at Whistler Olympic Park is January 28 and will be hosted by Sea to Sky Nordics.

The **Hollyburn Cross Country Ski Club of Vancouver** www.hollyburnxc.ca is 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 bred some very talented athletes who have made it to the Junior National Team and Paralympic 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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