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SA NATIONAL ALPINE SKI CHAMPIONSHIPS

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Welcome

16th Annual National Alpine Ski Championships 2009

Snow Sports South Africa, in conjunction with Tiffindell Ski (host resort) are delighted to hold the 16th Annual South African National Alpine Ski Championships.

The Championships are open to male and female competitors of all age groups and all nationalities with the main categories being the Juniors (ages 7 - 16), Seniors (ages 17 - 32) and Masters (ages 33 and older).

Event Director, Warwick Goosen, of Snow Sports South Africa says "Alpine Skiing in South Africa is growing from strength to strength with aid and support of local ski resorts, local communities and parents, as well as various ski clubs that are actively developing this winter sport in South Africa. 18 year old South African, Peter Scott, has qualified for the Vancouver 2010 Winter Olympics and is currently training with Alex Heath (3 time SA Winter Olympian) at Tiffindell Ski Resort in the Eastern Cape. This is a remarkable achievement for South African winter sports".

The championship events are open to both SA citizens and visiting nationalities, however National titles are only awarded to SA Passport holders. To register or find out more, log onto www.snowsports.co.za.

2009 Race Organising Committee

Race Chairperson	Peter Pilz
Event Director	Warwick Goosen
Event Manager	Hilton Guy
Assistant Event Manager	Oliver Schwankhart
Chief of Course	Alex Heath
Resort Liaison / Media Officer	Nicola Burns
Race Admin / Timing & Calculations	Michelle Conradie / Mariaan Henning
Start & Finish Referee	Chris Seddon / Piet Steyn
Logistics Officer	Pierre De Wet
Prize Giving	Christina De Villiers



Program & Itinerary

2009 Event

Sun	02 August	All day	Arrivals, registration and open practice.
Mon	03 August	08h00-08h30 09h00 10h00 12h00 15h00	Course Inspection 1st and 2nd Run Giant Slalom Senior Men & Women 1st and 2nd Run Giant Slalom Juniors Dual Slalom (top 32) Prize Giving
Tues	04 August	08h00 - 08h30 09h00 10h00 12h00 15h00	Course Inspection 1st and 2nd Run Slalom Senior Men and Women 1st Run and 2nd Run Ski Slalom Juniors Speed Event Prize Giving
Wed	05 August	10h00	Check out and Departure

* Please note that this is a provisional event schedule and may be subject to change please check the event notice board for any changes.

Competition

Rules

A. RULES APPLICABLE TO ALL EVENTS

1. Disputes and Adjudication

The decision of the Jury is final in all matters relating to the South African National Ski Championships.

2. FIS

Where applicable, International Ski Federation (FIS) rules will apply to the competition events of the South African National Ski Championships.

3. Entry

The South African National Ski Championships are open to all competitors. Only South African Citizens (S.A.Passport holders) qualify for the titles, trophies and medals.

4. Age Groups / Events

All events will be run according to the following age groups:

Under 9 (2000 or later)

Under 11 (1999 to 1998)

Under 13 (1997 to 1996)

Under 16 (1995 to 1993)

Seniors (1992 to 1973)

Masters (1974 or earlier)

If you have already turned the age of the group that year you may enter in that age group.

5. Registration

An official Entry Form must be completed indicating in which events the competitor wishes to participate. Entry Forms will not be accepted as valid unless all sections marked compulsory are properly completed, including the section for Commentator Notes.

Entry form must be delivered to the Race Secretary no later than 16h00 hours on the day before the event, in order for the competitor to be included in the Bib Draw and Start list for the event.

6. Entry Fee

A single Entry fee of R250.00 covers all events and must be received no later than 16h00 hours on the day before the competitors first event. Payment must be in cash.

7. Event Notice Board

The Event Notice Board will be situated at the resort and all official notices, including any timetable and event changes, will be posted there on periodically.

8. Race Meeting

Race meetings will be held on every evening before the competition. Bib (start) numbers will be drawn and allocated for all competitors that have submitted a properly completed Entry Form and paid the Entry Fee. Start lists will be printed and posted on the Event Notice Board.

9. Bibs

Bibs will be ready for collection after the draw. Bibs must be returned immediately after every race.

10. Course Marshals, Disqualifications and Protocol

Course and gates will be under the jurisdiction of the Course Marshals, who will document and report all rule infringements to the Event Committee.

11. Protests

Any protests must be communicated without delay to the Race Committee. The Race Committee may grant a provisional 2nd run should more time be needed to make a decision. Impeded racers should immediately appeal to a Course Marshal for a re-run.

12. Second Run / Subsequent Rounds

Start lists for Second Runs/Subsequent Rounds will be posted on the event Notice Board as soon as Protocol and any Protest Resolutions are completed; copies will be available to Officials and Press.

13. Results

Provisional Results will be posted on the Event Notice Board as soon as final Protocol and Protest Resolutions are completed.

14. Prize Giving

Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals will be awarded, in each age group.
South African Championships - Alpine Slalom Skiing
South African Championships - Alpine Giant Slalom Skiing



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B Rules Applicable To Specific Events

1. Alpine SL (Slalom) & GS (Giant Slalom)

a. Draw and Start-order

The starting order will be done according to age groups. Each age group will have a different colour ribbon attached to their bib. In the senior group start order for top ten in the second run will be in reverse order.

b. Course Inspection

The course has to be inspected during the time period stipulated by the race committee. Racers inspecting the course may only sideslip through the gates. Any competitor found skiing through the gates of the course will be disqualified.

c. Start and Timing

It is the responsibility of every competitor to be at the start on time. The start referee will coordinate the line-up at the start and will give instructions to racers to take up positions in the start gate. Once the start referee has announced that the course is clear the competitor has a 5 second time window to go through the start gate. Once the start gate is opened the timer is activated and stopped when the beam is broken at the finish line. The racers time is then recorded. During any race, non-racing skiers and spectators must under no circumstances cross the finish line.

d. 1st & 2nd Runs

The 1st and 2nd runs are in bib number order. Racers missing or straddling a gate or not finishing their run will be disqualified. The winner is the racer with the lowest combined time for both runs.



CONGRATULATIONS to South Africa's Peter Scott for qualifying for the Vancouver 2010 Winter Olympics.

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