



ESSKIA FINALS WEEKEND BULLETIN 3

Held at - Norfolk Snowsports Club, Whitlingham Lane, Trowse,
Norwich, Norfolk. NR14 8TW



Information for all team managers, racers, and parents.

We are grateful to Equity who have once more kindly agreed to sponsor and support this event!

The bar and kitchen upstairs will be open from **Friday afternoon 5-9pm** and food can be ordered in advance for the practice sessions. On Saturday and Sunday the bar and kitchen will serve drinks only. A **BBQ** will be available outside.

Ski hire is available for those who need it, your team managers should have ordered for you when entering the race. If not, please order directly from the slope. You may **not** borrow skis just for course inspection.

Please return skis immediately after racing and leave promptly after Prizegiving to avoid congestion on the premises and in the car park.

Ski preparation may only be done in the waxing area which is on the grassy area to the right of the main building and to the rear of the timing hut. No waxing on the patio please.

Gazebos are only to be used in certain spaces (as you are looking up the slope) to the left of the equipment issue room on the patio area, or on the grass, again at the far end.

Prizegiving will start as soon as possible after the end of the appropriate race. Time must be allowed for protocol. Please understand that the schedule can be delayed by problems with timing equipment, accidents, or protests.

Parking will be available on site **FROM 8AM. ACCESS PRIOR TO 8AM IS RESTRICTED TO OFFICIALS AND STAFF ONLY.** The site will be busy and so we have been advised by Norfolk Snowsports Club (i) to encourage those in 4x4 cars to park on the grass / overflow area through the main carpark (ii) that Mini buses and vans should park in the main carpark and not in the grass / overflow area. (iii) that cars vacate the carpark as soon as possible after the morning session to allow space for afternoon racers on Saturday (iv) In the event of severe inclement weather the grass / overflow area will be unavailable. In this case athletes should be dropped at the roadside and use made of the public carpark which is located 500m further along Whitlingham Lane, next to the Rowing Club (2min drive / 6 min walk).

Code of Conduct for everyone: We wish to remind all racers, coaches, parents, and spectators that appropriate personal conduct is expected at all ESSKIA events. Whilst a competitive atmosphere is to be encouraged, inappropriate or unsportsmanlike behaviour will not be tolerated and can ultimately lead to sanctions, including disqualification and suspension from all ESSKIA events. Examples of such behaviour include equipment abuse, swearing, aggressive behaviour, discrimination of any form, heated arguments, disrespect shown to any official or volunteer. All ESSKIA events are "family friendly" environments with appropriate behaviour to be demonstrated at all times.

PROTESTS will be accepted from Team Managers ONLY. Parents / Coaches should channel protests via their Team Manager who should apply to the Race Secretary before the end of Protocol.

FIRST AID the Slope Medical Assessment and First Aid Protocol is published on GBSK.com (under Artificial Races, scroll down to events C1445 and C1446). A paramedic will be located slopeside throughout the event.

WELFARE OFFICER The Event Welfare Officer will be Rob Robson. Rob will be located in the spectators area and will be wearing a blue ESSKIA Welfare hi-vis jacket. Alternatively please contact any member of the organising committee who will be in contact with Rob.

RULES OF THE EVENT are detailed on the ESSKIA Website as augmented by the Race Bulletins which have been provided to Schools and Team Managers. In particular, please note that as a Team Event, the NO-HIKE / STOP rule will be DISAPPLIED.

LIVE TIMING will be available. See red 'LIVE' link posted on GBSKI.com (under Artificial Races, scroll down to events C1445 and C1446, select race)

ACCESS TO HILL is restricted to Officials, Slope Staff, First Aid, Athletes and Coaches accompanying Athletes. Parents and other spectators **must not enter the competition area at any time** as this could be hazardous for themselves and for athletes.

COACHES will be permitted to accompany athletes during course inspection. Please note that space at the top of the hill is extremely limited. Coaches will be permitted only at the discretion of the Start Referee whose instructions must be followed at all times. Coaches must not enter the start area and if accompanying their athletes to the top of the hill must vacate as soon as possible, and in any event if requested to do so by the Start Referee or a Marshall acting at their direction.

OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPHY will be provided by Racer Ready. Pictures will be available in password protected directories (one per school) as soon as possible after the event on the racer-ready website at www.racerready.zenfolio.com All pictures will carry the Equity logo. Please feel free to use your pictures and credit #equity and #RacerReady if using them on social media.

Photographs will be provided only for racers who have OPTED-IN to photography when entering the race. If Team Managers wish to change nomination they should do so at Team Managers Meeting. If Parents wish to change nomination please see the Race Secretary in the Race Office during course inspection.

There will be no charge for these photographs which are kindly sponsored by Equity!

Each team will be in a separate folder and the passwords for these will be sent to the school contacts or Managers as soon as the pictures are up.

Please visit our sponsors Equity and see what they have to offer on their stand.

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SATURDAY 12th OCTOBER AGE GROUP FINALS

MORNING GIRLS', BOYS' AND MIXED TEAMS – TEAM Cat 1 and TEAM Cat 2

Provisional

- 07:30 Access for officials **ONLY**
08:00 Gates open, Bib Issue from race office upstairs, Kit collection inside downstairs
08.15 – 08.45 Girls' practice - bibs must be worn with the number visible.
08:30 Team Managers & Officials Meeting, race office upstairs
08.45 – 09.15 Boys' practice - bibs must be worn with the number visible.
09.15 Course Setting
09.30 – 09.50 Category 2 Girls and Boys: Inspection full gates. Athletes must NOT ski the course.
09.50 – 10.10 Category 1 Girls and Boys: Inspection stubby gates. Athletes must NOT ski the course.
10.10 Start of Race. Forerunners, Run 1 followed by Forerunners, Run 2

At the end of Run 2 (11:45 approximately) protocol will be issued, followed by Prizegiving.

AFTERNOON GIRLS' AND BOYS' TEAMS – TEAM Cat 3, TEAM Cat 4 and TEAM Cat 5

Provisional

- 12.30 Bib Issue from race office upstairs, Kit collection inside downstairs
12.45 – 13.15 Girls' practice - bibs must be worn with the number visible
13.00 Team Managers & Officials Meeting, race office upstairs
13.15 – 13.45 Boys' practice – bibs must be worn with the number visible
13.45 Course Setting
14.00 – 14.20 Girls' course inspection. Athletes must NOT ski the course
14.20 – 14.40 Boys' course inspection. Athletes must NOT ski the course
14.30 Start of Race. Forerunners, Run 1 followed by Forerunners, Run 2

At the end of Run 2 (16.30 approximately) protocol will be issued, followed by Prizegiving

SUNDAY 13th OCTOBER - THE OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Provisional

- 07:30 Access for officials **ONLY**
08:00 Gates open, Bib Issue from race office upstairs, Kit collection inside downstairs
08.15 – 08.45 Girls' practice. Bibs must be worn with the number visible.
08.30 Team Managers' Meeting, race office upstairs
followed immediately by the AGM,
followed immediately by the Officials Meeting.
08.45 – 09.15 Boys' practice. Bibs must be worn with the number visible.
09.15 Course Setting
09.30 – 09.50 Girls' course inspection. Athletes must NOT ski the course
09.50 – 10.10 Boys' course inspection. Athletes must NOT ski the course
10.10 am Start of Race. Forerunners, Run 1 followed by Forerunners, Run 2

At the end of Run 2 protocol will be issued, followed by Prizegiving.

This race is also the Qualifier for the British Schools' Dry Slope Championships. The first 8 boys' teams, the first 8 girls' teams and the first 2 Mixed teams will automatically qualify.

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