
WGC SKI NEWS

WGC Ski Race Club - October 2021 Newsletter

Hello WGC Ski Racer

Friday race training sessions started up again after the summer break on 3rd September, and have been well attended all through September by both our regular members and newcomers to the club. It's great to see continued enthusiasm across all the age groups on Friday evenings, from U8 to Masters, which adds to a really positive club spirit and vibe.

The big event in the month was the **ERSA Champs** race on 18th-19th Sept, for which we hosted the **Dry Slope** day on 18th at Welwyn. After getting the Covid-restricted ERSA season started at Welwyn back in May, it was great to see the slope conclude the summer season with 6 clubs and 127 racers all jousting for their ERSA rankings. Lots of volunteers and officials from the race clubs helped on the day, with everyone enjoying the club BBQ in the sun.



We congratulate all those racers that took part. Particular successes came from **Michael Longstaff** (2nd U21 Men), **Josephine Pearson** (3rd U18 Women), **Adam Page-Browne** (2nd U18 Men) and **Teddy Hojlo** (2nd U14 Boys). Also many congratulations to Michael Longstaff for coming 5th place overall across the whole ERSA season. We can proudly take these results and build on them for the ERSA season 2022.



Club Kit - a reminder that WGC club kit (hoodie, long sleeve shirt and race trousers) is available from Birds of Dereham. It's great to see many blue WGC hoodies out on the slope on Fridays and at competitions. Also can be a great stocking filler for Christmas! To order, please visit:

<https://www.birdsofdereham.com/shop/category/wgc-ski-race-club-721/>

www.wgcskiraceclub.org

Club Membership - depending on when you joined the club, your annual membership may be expiring soon. We are currently looking at the renewal procedure, which has been delayed briefly due to a technical payment issue in EOLA. We are trying to get this resolved as quickly as possible, after which you will receive an email with member renewal instructions. We are looking to bring all members into an October renewal date.



Member Survey - Thank You to those that completed our Member survey during the summer. It provided some very helpful feedback, and ideas on how we can improve the club and our training sessions. Common ideas included scope for training during the summer period, use of timing gear during training, access to ski equipment and more race social events. These are all issues that the committee is looking at, and hopefully we can develop the club further from this.

Coaching Team - Big thank you to our dedicated coaching team Simon, John, Martin, Richard, Eleanor, and Sally, who deliver our excellent training sessions each Friday.

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