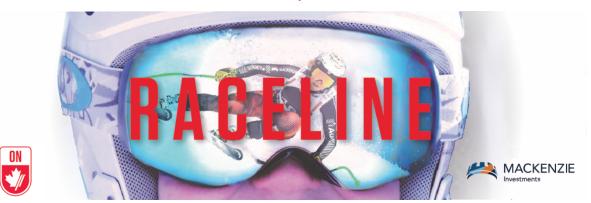
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LATEST NEWS







WHISTLER CUP 2024 - HIGHLIGHTS

Team Ontario showcased burgeoning talent at Whistler Cup 2024 with Top Female U14 & U16 and Top Male U14 ALL from Ontario!

At the forefront, in the **U16** female category, **Sophie Podivinsky** (Georgian Peaks) secured the **Top Canadian Female** position, with an impressive 1st place in GS and 3rd place in the Super-G and Slalom events.

Alexandra Houle (Camp Fortune) claimed a respectable 10th position in GS, while **Sophie Qian** (Craigleith) captured 13th in Super-G. And teammate **Rachel Warll-Macmillan** (Craigleith) secured

consistently performed with 8th place in Slalom and 10th place in GS. **Annabelle Ellison** (Devil's Glen) clinched 7th place in Slalom and 14th place in GS.

Nico Murdoch (Craigleith), captured **Top Canadian Male U14** category, securing a commendable 7th in Slalom and 14th position in GS. In GS, **Jake Jonasson** (Devil's Glen) grabbed 10th with teammate **Brett Harrison** (Devil's Glen) in 13th. In Slalom, **Brett Harrison** and **Tanner Hyland** (JOZO) landed in 14th & 15th respectively. Congratulations to All Racers!

Article highlights Top 15 ON athletes - FULL RESULTS HERE







ONTARIO SKI TEAM - WOMEN'S SEASON WRAP

The winter is finally over! The Ontario ski team women have completed the 2023/2024 season with a mammoth effort over the last month. Elli and Gabby were joined by some of our Ontario friends (Lily Sewell, and Magnolia Conacher) over the last few weeks of racing which included Canadian National Championships at Red Mountain, NORAM Finals at Panorama mountain resort, FIS SG at Kimberly mountain Resort, and Alberta Spring Series at Nakiska. The trip unfortunately saw several races cancelled due to difficult weather but a good time was had by all.

The team will now enjoy some rest and relaxation back in Ontario before fitness testing In early May and our first strength and conditioning block starting in mid May at active life conditioning here in Collingwood.

Before we wrap up the Ontario ski team would say a heart felt thank you to @mackenzieinvest @skiisandbiikes @karbonsports @faskenlaw and all of the sponsors all of our sponsors, families, race organizing committees and supporters for another fantastic season of racing.

- Cam Stephen - OSTW - Head Coach







ONTARIO SKI TEAM - MEN'S SEASON WRAP

This season has been nothing if not a battle against the elements and Mother Nature put up a fight through to the very end. The OST Men recently wrapped up their 2023-24 campaign with a western swing through Nor Am Finals hosted at Panorama and Spring Series hosted at Nakiska.

Despite the expected fatigue at the end of a long competition period and facing a wide spectrum of conditions, the athletes attacked every opportunity they had to race and can end the season feeling confident about what they have achieved and encouraged by what is still possible. Highlights from this project include an SL podium for Jayden, Kyle securing a top-15 Nor Am ranking in SG, Jayden scoring his first Nor Am points in tech, and FIS point scores for Colton and Filip.

Staff and athletes will head in to well-deserved period of rest before getting back to testing and programming for next season.

Thank you to @mackenzieinvest @skiisandbiikes @karbonsports @faskenlaw and all of the sponsors, supporters, athletes, and volunteers that made this season possible.

- Cam McKenzie - OSTM - Head Coach

Photo:Louis Charland







ONTARIO PARA ALPINE SKI TEAM SEASON WRAP

The 23-24 season did not start well for the OPAST. With poor snow conditions, we were forced to push back most of our prep season, which led to the team missing the first Para-Alpine competitions at Winter Park in January due to a lack of preparation. Despite the setback, the team rallied and put forward a solid campaign once we were able to find some snow.

Our OPAST athletes leaned hard into the competitive season, starting with the combined CAN/USA Speed National championships in Kimberley, BC. From there, the focus remained in the West with the Huntsman Cup Series in Park City, two weeks of interface camp with CPAST-Development, ending with the combined CAN/USA National Tech Championships in Winter Park.

The athletes performed well in their first DH/SG races in Kimberley, learning lessons, stretching their comfort zones, and leading to several breakthrough performances and podium positions later in the season.

Podiums

<u>Park City FIS Huntsman Cup</u> Jessica McPhee - 2nd SL1, 3rd SL2

<u>Winter Park Combined FIS National Championships</u> Andrea Nelson - 3rd USA SG NC, 2nd SG (FIS race)

Significant Gains

Despite having to sit out several days/starts to equipment challenges, James Budrow came storming back with several strong performances at the WP CAN/USA tech events. (Big shoutout to BioDapt for the support)

Janie Duguay - Janie has shown unwavering determination on her return to the snow/sport journey. After a challenging start in December, she achieved the primary objective of racing at the WP CAN/USA NCs in April.

In total, we got 60 of the 85 snow days planned for the team; the bulk of the missing days were the early-season local training days due to the challenging conditions we all faced in the early part of the season.

The CAN/US West hosted most of the Para competitions and almost all of the prep and in-season training, which led to budget and travel challenges for the team members and staff.

In Conclusion, despite missing 25-30% of the scheduled preparation time, these athletes put their best effort forward every day, showing their determination to compete.





ONTARIO DEVELOPMENT SKI TEAM - WOMEN'S SEASON WRAP

ODST W had a great year. We had a great group of girls and parents. Throughout the season, we experienced highs and lows. There were a bunch of cancelled races, logistic challenges, and inconvenient weather, but also multiple individual career best results, overall ranks, and first-time podiums.

Girls also learned a lot from losses, but mostly grew as individuals and as a team through every training and races. Overall, our team improved a great deal over the course of the season.

It was a pleasure watching this team evolving and have fun. I am glad and proud to have worked with these young women during the 2023-2024 ski racing season!

- Rachel Topping - ODSTW - Head Coach









ONTARIO DEVELOPMENT SKI TEAM - MEN'S SEASON WRAP

The Ontario Development Ski Team Men had an eventful season marked by both triumphs and challenges. Throughout the winter, the team demonstrated resilience and dedication in the face of varying conditions and tough competition. The season kicked off with intensive training camps focused on developing new strengths and skills along with building team cohesion. As races commenced, the athletes showcased their skills across Quebec and Ontario with the men traveling to races in New York, Minnesota, the Yukon and Alberta as well. Notable highlights included several podium finishes and personal bests, showcasing the team's progress and potential for future success.

Despite these achievements, the season was not without hurdles. Adverse weather conditions and unexpected injuries posed challenges, testing the athletes adaptability and resolve. However, these setbacks fueled a collective determination to push boundaries and learn from every experience. The ODST men concluded the season with valuable lessons, fortified camaraderie, and a renewed focus on continual improvement. As they reflect on the season's highs and lows, the team looks ahead with optimism and commitment to further elevate their performance on and off the hill.

- Henry Yeigh - ODSTM - Head Coach







SOD SKI TEAM SEASON WRAP

Well, that's a wrap for the SODST for 2023-24.

The team rounded out the season with lots of racing. We were racing at Stoneham/ Le Relais at the end of March, followed by a final push out west to Nakiska. Out west, we struggled with warm conditions and fresh snow, unfortunately losing 3 of the 7 races planned. Once we finished the race series, we then finished up with 2 free ski days at Lake Louise and Sunshine, rounding out what's been a great season.

Congratulations to the team on their success this year. They have worked very hard and experienced many ups and downs but have come out triumphant in each of their own ways, and I can't wait to see what next year holds for them.

- Curtis Eades - SOD - Head Coach

SPECIAL THANKS TO ALL OF OUR AOA SPONSORS FOR AN EPIC 2023–24 SEASON



















ONTARIO MASTERS

2024 FIS Masters Cup

April 6, 2024 - Reiteralm Austria

The last race of the 2023-24 FIS Masters circuit and the Overall Masters Cup presentations took place today.

CONGRATULATIONS to Mike Robbins!

The **First Ever Canadian** to **WIN** the top **Overall Crystal Globe** for his age class.

While the bulk of junior racers retire before they turn 20, Mike Robbins, now in his seventies, is a top performer at the FIS Masters Cup level. He has been racing on the European dominated circuit since his initial experience at the 2005 World Criterium in Sun Valley ID. A dedicated competitor, Mike welcomes high quality contests and seeks opportunities to pit himself against world class performers. Mike's passion took him to multiple venues in Europe, South America and the United States. Over the years he continued to improve his racing skills and earned FIS Masters Cup age class Crystal Globes in 2014, 2016 and 2020. In his steadfast quest to achieve his personal best Mike posted stellar FIS results in ARG, ITA, SUI, SLO, USA and CAN during the current season as he continued to focus on the ultimate Overall World Masters title in his age category.



UPCOMING EVENTS





NOMINATE YOUR CANDIDATE TO WIN!

through the links below

- 1. SKIIS & BIIKES ATHLETE OF THE YEAR
- 2. ANTHONY PACIONE COACH OF THE YEAR
- 3. FASKEN VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR
- 4. ROBERT SHORE OFFICIAL OF THE YEAR
- 5. KARBON EVENT OF THE YEAR
- 6. SPIRIT OF ONTARIO SKI RACING SANDY PROCTOR AWARD
- 7.EXTRAORDINARY CONTRIBUTOR TO SKIING I BUILDER OF THE YEAR
- 8. MACKENZIE INVESTMENTS RACE SKI CLUB OF THE YEAR

(This a voting category. This is an online vote for no more that 5 finalists and allows the club with the most votes to win!)

FULL 2024 ONTARIO SKI RACING AWARDS - DETAILS HERE Nominations close April 29th, 2024 Selection Committee will select finalists w/o April 30th, 2024

FEATURING

- SPRING DEBRIEF

 & MEETINGS 2024
- Industry expert led discussions











AOA SPRING DEBRIEF & MEETINGS - FRIDAY MAY 3rd

Location: Devil's Glen Ski Club

Time: 9am-4pm

Coffee & Lunch Provided

Cost: FREE

Please register:

- EITHER THRU -

Coach Registration - <u>ACA SnowReg Registration HERE</u>

- OR -

General Event Registration - <u>General Registration HERE</u>

Agenda & Speakers

- AOA Update
- Coach Education & Development Report
- How Climate is affecting our Sport Guest Panel
 - Preview material <u>Change the Course Reference Study</u>

- Developer Awards & Recognitions
- Social

See you there!



2nd ANNUAL

Active Life Conditioning Fitness Combine!

May 4&5 is a celebration for local sports organizations*

*This is a not-for-profit event. All registration money will be donated back to local sports organizations

Your U14+ athletes are invited to register to see how they stack up to others in their age group and, ultimately, to determine whether they are our area's fittest athletes.

<u>Schedule and Registration:</u> When you register, you will be assigned a start time for that wave.

The combine will take each athlete approximately 60 minutes to complete.

Saturday, May 4th

2024 Combine Saturday AM (10:30-1:30) Wave

2024 Combine Saturday PM (2:00-5:00) Wave

Sunday, May 5th

2024 Combine Sunday AM (10:30-1:30) Wave

2024 Combine Sunday PM (2:00-5:00) Wave



U14 & U16 ALPINE SKIER FITNESS SUMMER CAMP AOA | Active Life Conditioning JULY 22-26 9AM-3PM

skiing to the next level next season after developing fitness skills needed to excel on snow. Our motivating and dynamic coaches from the the Ontario Ski Team and other programs are some of the top in their sport and will create a positive and challenging environment for our young racers. Drop off and pick up will be a combination of Harbourview Park in Collingwood and Osler Bluff Ski Club.

INVESTMENT \$529+HST

REGISTRATION BELOW

U16 Registration YOB 2009/2010

U14 Registration YOB 2011/2012

More Info and other camps are found here

CHECK OUT THE LATEST ON SKI JOBS HERE ON AOA WEBSITE

DONATION OPPORTUNITIES





OUR GOAL IS TO REACH 150 GATES for next season!

DONATE - A - GATE AS A GROUP, CLUB OR TEAM

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- Your name and personalized message will be inscribed for every gate you donate to.
- Your donation will leave a lasting mark on the slopes.
- Join us in empowering athletes and be part of their success stories.

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