Hi Rise Racer News 2015

It's that time of year again, the magical time of the year. YES! Racing season will soon be here for 2015.

First, A Look Back to 2014

Hi Rise won both Divisions II Combined and Divisions II Points for the year. Dr. Bob L& Lindsey Crookshanks won Combined in their classes at Bristol. Jason Crookshanks won B-Snowboard Combined at Swain. Chrissy Body and Carol Brassell were both bumped up a class.

Skier & Racer Awards

Skier of the Year - Lindsey Crookshanks, Rick Gzesh Most Points - Dr. Bob & Chrissy Body Gretchko Award - Jessie Anderson

Looking Ahead

<u>Co-Race Chairs</u> - Guy Nerren & Rick Gzesh <u>Membership</u> - You must be a current Hi Rise member to race for Hi Rise. Contact Guy, Rick or Kerry Troy to join or renew.

<u>Advance Registration</u> - Forms are available at meetings or on our website. Hi Rise will pay the race fees for members who advance register for and show up for 5 or more races. Otherwise, you pay \$18.00 per race.

<u>Trips</u> - We'll be doing bus trips for both Swain weekends and Bristol Combined weekend. Also, at least one Friday bus trip to Holimont. Check the Newsletter and Webpage for details.

Skier Combined is again at Bristol. You must have two races in before then.

<u>Snowboard Combined</u> at Swain II. You will need at least one race before then to be eligible.

<u>Class Change</u> - Requests to change classes <u>must</u> go through Guy & Rick and <u>must</u> be made 7 days prior to the a race.

<u>Qualifier</u> for ski and snowboard racers is Wednesday, January 7, 2015, at Boston Mills. It's for folks who have not raced in Metro before, or who have been out of Metro racing for a year or more.

Or you can qualify at any regularly scheduled race.

<u>New Racers</u> - All you experienced racers, help the newbies. Bib pick up, race hill locations, how to gate keep, etc., etc.

<u>Work Assignments</u> - For each race, one-third of our registered racers must work that race. Work schedules are posted in the bib pick up area for each race. It's your responsibility to check the schedule. If you are assigned to work, please show up at least 15 minutes before the scheduled race start time.

If for some reason, you know that you won't be able to work at a particular race, you must let Guy or Rick know at least one week before the race.

Any racer who is assigned to work and fails to do so will be DQ'd and Hi Rise is penalized 10 points.

<u>The Shot Bag</u> - Hi Rise is responsible for the "shot bag" at a race TBD. We need a couple of volunteers to handle this very important task.

<u>Race Demo Days</u> - For those non-racers who might like to give it a try, you can get two timed runs on a CMSC race course at any one of the following race events: Kissing Bridge, Peak N Peek, Snow Trails. Simply report to the top of the Group III race course, pay a \$5.00 fee, get a bib, and have fun. <u>TRY IT</u>.

<u>Lift Tickets</u> - Some of the ski areas will require you to show a race bib to get the CMSC price, especially Snow Trails, Holiday Valley.

<u>DQ & Race Time Sheets</u> - These sheets showing times and DQs are usually posted in the registration or awards area about an hour or so after the completion of the last race.

It is your responsibility to check the posted results to verify your times and to look for DQs.

If you disagree with the times or the DQ, you must find Guy or Rick to discuss the matter and, possibly, file a protest.

<u>Senior Vets</u> - Super Senior Vets is a coed class, age 65 plus, which races with Group I. Senior Vets, also coed, for age 55 plus, races with Group III.

<u>Snow Trails/Bonus Points</u> - This year we race back to back on Saturday 1/31/15 and Sunday 2/1/15 at Snow Trails. Any racer who competes in both events earns 10 bonus points for CMSC points.

<u>Snow Trails Lodging</u> - Go to the Snow Trails website for information on nearby lodging, including Best Western, Comfort Inn, Holiday Inn Express.

Standard Race Order

Group I - Sup Sr Vet, all AAs, all As

Group II - All BBs, all Bs

Group III - Sr. Vet, all CCs

Boarders - BB, CC, C.

Holiday Valley I, 1/3/15, 1/4/15

Swain I - 1/17/15, 1/18/15

Swain II, Sunday, 1/22/15

Bristol Combined

Split Groups Race Order

Group I - Sup Sr. Vet, all AAs, all As, all BBs

Group II/III - all Bs, Sr. Vet, all CCs.

Peak n Peek 1/24/15

Snow Trails - both days

Kissing Bridge - 1/7/15

Holiday Valley - 1/8/15

Swain II - Saturday, 1/21/15

Normal Start Times - 10 A.M.

Early Start Times

Holiday Valley I - Sunday, 1/4/15 10:00 AM Group I & III

Swain II - Sunday, 1/22/15 9:30 AM

Bristol Combined - Saturday 9:00 AM, Sunday 9:30 AM

<u>Clear Fork Race</u> - Sunday, 1/15/15

Plans are underway for a race day with CMSC and Central Ohio Ski Council with one GS Run and two SL Runs. Details to follow.

Questions/Comments?

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