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Teck Kootenay Cup #3 & #4 at the Kimberley Nordic Club



Kimberley, BC - Another successful Teck Kootenay Cup event was held at the Kimberley Nordic Club this past weekend. The event drew over 250 skiers from Kimberley, Fernie, Nelson, Castlegar, Golden, Canmore (Alberta), Invermere, Rossland, Grand Forks and the Kootenai Nordic Club from Libby, Montana.



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Grooming was a challenge during the week leading up to the event due to unseasonably warm weather. Saturday had a great turnout with over 150 skiers of all ages, despite the soft, wet conditions. It was a classic technique individual event with steady rainfall throughout the day and temperatures hovering around 2 degrees. Racers from U8 to Masters braved the weather and made the most of it. All racers were treated to lunch included with their registration and there were plenty of wet spectators cheering on the skiers.



The temperature dropped to -1C on Sunday and the racers were happy to see some fresh snow. The day kicked off with U6 racers sprinting to the finish line along a short 100m course. This year the Kimberley Nordic Club set a new record with 104 local kids competing in the event. Sunday, which consisted of free technique mass start races, was the more popular day of the two. Over 230 happy skiers competed. The Club was proud to see many Kimberley racers of all ages finish atop the podium in their respective age categories.



The Teck Kootenay Cup would not be possible without such an outstanding group of volunteers. The weekend was supported by over 100 volunteers supporting all aspects of the event, including a dedicated group of key volunteers in the organizing committee that met regularly for months leading up to the race weekend.

Complete race results can be found <u>here</u>.

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Cross Country BC (CCBC), the provincial sport governing body for cross country skiing in British Columbia, is a not-for-profit, club-based organization of more than 25,000 members. CCBC offers programs and services to support the continuous development of cross country skiing for all ages and abilities, from introductory experiences to international excellence. For more information on Cross Country BC, please visit <u>www.crosscountrybc.ca</u>.

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