

Sovereign Lake Nordic hosts Teck Okanagan Cup # 2 - Series Finale

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The Teck Okanagan Cup Series finale was held at Sovereign Lake Nordic Centre (https://www.sovereignlake.com/) on February 22, 2025. There were over 170 racers who participated in the event representing several clubs in the region including Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club, Overlander Ski Club (Kamloops), Larch Hills Ski Society (Salmon Arm), Telemark Nordic Club (Kelowna) and Sovereign Lake Nordic Club (Vernon).



The competition featured a one-day classic technique, mass start race that took place on several racecourses, with race distances ranging from 0.5km to 11.25km. The morning of the race the trails were in perfect condition thanks to some long hours put in by the grooming team. The 25 cm of new snow that fell on the day leading up to race start meant there was a lot of work needed to ensure the trails were in fantastic condition for the event. As the day progressed, the weather warmed and waxing was challenging, however a positive spirit was maintained throughout the day.



Race highlights included the U6 category who skied 500m and were greeted with Teck ribbons as well as candy bag medals. Additionally, bib #1, Kaden Baum, stole the show with an impressive 7.5 km ski in the Para Nordic Sit-ski category. Kaden was using this as a training race to further his preparations for the national championships being held in mid-March.

The race was attended by experienced skiers from the Sovereign Lake Development Team such as Eula Palmer Bird and Max Nilsson among others, as well as first time racers such as Devin and Jacqui Berger.



The event concluded around 2:30 pm with the presentation of the Teck Okanagan Cup Series Club Aggregate Award presented to the host club, Sovereign Lake Nordics.

Race results can be found at: https://zone4.ca/race/2025-02-22/dfed95b8/results

As always the success of the event was a result of the the large contingent of volunteer support. The team consisted of around 60 volunteers working hard at everything from course set up to food preparation.

Teck Okanagan Cup #2 was the second and final race in the series. Race #1 was held at Larch Hills Nordic Club in Salmon Arm on February 9, 2025.

Sovereign Lake Nordic Club is grateful to our title sponsor, Teck, the volunteers, athletes and coaches and Cross Country BC for making the event possible.

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Teck is the title sponsor of CCBC's Skier Development Program, thereby supporting excellence in sport and providing youth with experiences that will help them prepare for the future.





