

2023 Teck Okanagan Cup # 2

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This past Sunday, January 15^h, the Overlander Ski Club of Kamloops hosted Teck Okanagan Cup #2, one of a series of regional cross country ski races held in the Okanagan each year. The race, which was a great success, took place on a beautiful January morning. The weather cooperated when it changed from cloudy skies to beautiful blue skies, and there were lots smiles and laughs along the way.



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The race attracted 105 participants from six cross country ski clubs from across British Columbia, including four Master's Woman Skiers from the Lower Mainland who just came to hone their racing skills and have some fun. We also had participants from as far away as Chile, who used our race to help them prepare for the upcoming FIS World Junior/U23 Cross Country Championships in Whistler later this month.

Racers competed in categories from under 8 to 60 years and over. They attended from the following clubs: Overlander Ski Club (Kamloops); Telemark Nordic Club (West Kelowna); Larch Hills Nordic Society (Salmon Arm); Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club (Revelstoke); Sovereign Lake Nordic Club (Vernon); Hollyburn Cross Country Ski Club (North Vancouver); Kamloops Canoe Kayak Club (Shumway Lake, Kamloops).

Congratulations to competitors and coaches for giving their all during this event. We look forward to hosting further ski events in 2024.



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We want to thank our title sponsor, Teck Resources Limited for the generous season-long sponsorship and support for cross country ski competitions this season.

The event went forward thanks to a large group of tireless and dedicated volunteers that worked in raceday operations, planning, hosting, and logistics. A very special thank-you goes to the more than 45 volunteers that gave more than 100 person hours of time to coordinate such a great day for racers and coaches.



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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 27,000 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.

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