



## **Interschools Challenge 2022 - Acceptance Bulletin**

**Southampton Alpine Centre**  
**Sunday 21st May 2023**  
**Bib collection 08.30**

The Interschools Challenge race is organised by the Southampton Area Ski Association (SASA) and will comprise Age Group Races in the following categories:

**CAT1 (Primary) - Pupils in School Year 6 and below (by date of birth)**  
**CAT2 (Secondary)- Pupils in School Years 7 and older (by date of birth)**

The races are for **School Teams**, consisting of a minimum of THREE skiers. Individual entries are **only** accepted from SASA members.

**Prizes** will be awarded to Teams within each age category. Individual prizes will also be awarded.

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At the closing date on 17<sup>th</sup> May, 45 entries had been received and accepted from 17 schools **Any outstanding fees must be paid in full prior to the event.**

### **Programme**

8.30	Registration and bib issue
9.45	Finish and Start Area Marshals to be in place for Open Practice to commence
10.30	Course setting and inspection
11.15	Timed runs
	Prize giving will follow as soon as practicable after the last run.

**While the organisers will endeavour to run to the published timetable/programme, we do reserve the right to vary it as circumstances dictate, so please listen out for PA announcements throughout the event.**

***Please contact Lesley Gash as soon as possible if disabled access will be required on race day – [chair@skisasa.co.uk](mailto:chair@skisasa.co.uk)***

Acceptance List, Start List Results and risk assessment will be posted on the SASA website [www.skisasa.co.uk](http://www.skisasa.co.uk)



## Rules of Entry

The race will be run according to FIS rules as modified by SASA.

1. Teams shall consist of a minimum of THREE skiers, and be comprised of current pupils from the same school.
2. Teams can be comprised of any combination of genders.
3. A team may be made up of school pupils of any age - the team must compete in the age group of the oldest skier in the team on the day of the Qualifier.
4. No skier may race in more than one team.
5. The race will consist of three runs over the same slalom course.
6. The team score will be the aggregate of the three best times from 3 racers. If less than three team members complete a run, the team will be disqualified.
7. Each school group attending the races must be in the charge of a designated adult.
8. Whilst primarily an event for school teams, individual entries will be accepted from SASA members who are unable to raise a school team.
9. Racers should **NOT** ski the course during inspection.
10. The decision of any appointed official will be final and must be respected.
11. Add on items, such as camera mounts stuck on to the surface of the helmet, are not permitted.
12. All skiers must be fit and well before commencement of activities.
13. The organisers reserve the right to withdraw any racer whose competence brings safety into question or who does not comply with these regulations.
14. Racers and officials only on the slope.
15. As a minimum skiers must be able to snowplough ski in a controlled manner.
16. Failure to return a bib will result in a £25 fine.
17. In the event of the event being oversubscribed entries will be accepted in order of receipt.



18. Competitors must wear helmets, long sleeves, long legs and gloves and ski pole tips must be fitted with bungs
  
19. Volunteer officials from participating schools are required to assist in the running of the event. Each School is requested to indicate the name of its designated official(s). One official per school team is the minimum requirement.

### **1<sup>st</sup> Aid & child protection**

The ski centre will have a duty 1<sup>st</sup> aider on site. A SASA CWO (child welfare officer) will be present at the event. All key officials are DBS checked. The risk assessment for the event is available on the SASA website ([www.skisasa.co.uk](http://www.skisasa.co.uk))

### **Photography Opt-Out**

A photographer from **Racer Ready** magazine will be present. It will be possible to purchase action shots of your skiers.

Please make the event organisers aware if you **do not wish to be photographed by this photographer**. These photographs will not be published on any public forum.

SASA sometimes posts photographs on the SASA website and Facebook. Anyone who does not wish to be photographed for this event should make the organisers aware at bib collection.

### **Catering**

There will be limited refreshments available (vending machines) It is advised that racers bring food and drinks as required



## **Directions**

The Alpine Centre is about two and half miles north of the city centre. It is part of a major sports complex, so follow signs for the SPORTS CENTRE. All vehicles can be left in the main Sports Centre car parks and the Alpine Centre can be approached on foot, but please allow 10-15 minutes.

**Please note that you will not be able to access the Alpine Centre from the small council car park, (not under the control of the Alpine Centre), accessed from Winchester Road via Vermont Close, due to work being carried out on the steps. Please do not use this car park.**

