

On the Glide Newsletter Issue #1

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Greeting WNSL Coaches, Families, and Nordic Fans,

Thanks for the warm welcome during the Fall WNSL Meeting. It was super fun to converse with some old friends and coaches and to meet the new league coaches too. I look forward to working with each team, as well as the WNSL to further promote youth skiing and athletic development throughout Wisconsin.

A special thanks to Andrew and the coaches committee for scheduling the first WNSL Coaches Conference – this was a well organized and very informative conference. I am sure there will be additional conversations and planning that will help all teams grow and prosper.

During the Fall Meeting, we planned for several sub-committees. One to explore the current **waiver concerns**, another to explore the **Guest Class**, and one to review the **awards** via the Rules of Competition. Look for more details and results soon, as well as ideas and possible changes for the 2025-26 season.

One of the most exciting discussions of the Fall Meeting were the reports about the past **WNSL Summer Camps** – I was very impressed with the reports and hope that camp planning for the summer of 2025 is already in process. CXC will also be hosting several 2025 summer camps, including a June Igor Camp at Telemark Village – more details will be available soon.

Following the Fall Meeting, I made my first trip to the **Ariens Nordic Center** and **Borah Teamwear.** Ariens Nordic Center is awesome and they are excited to be hosting the 2025 WNSL Sprint Championships. It was really cool to visit the Borah Teamwear production center in Coon Valley, Wisconsin – Borah Teamwear will be producing our Award Champion Bibs for the 2025 event, as well as designing a new hat this season. Check out Borah Teamwear for your club apparel and uniforms: <u>https://borahteamwear.com/</u>

The WNSL has an incredible webpage: https://www.wisconsinxcski.org/

This is an excellent tool for promoting the league, as well as your individual teams and clubs. Please look it over closely, and update your specific team page by sending your updates to Charlie Keller (<u>charlie.keller@gmail.com</u>) or Bruce Manske (<u>brucemanske20112@gmail.com</u>). Also, let us know if you see any other webpage items that need updating or attention.



Please update the **WNSL membership list** with coaches, parents, and club members that would like to receive club emails and updates. Tamara and Charlie are working to update the 2023-24 list to a new and revised 2024-25 list.

The *On the Glide* Newsletter, will be an official WNSL newsletter. It will be published monthly, to provide information and updates to teams and clubs, to promote growth of the WNSL, and to promote our schedule of events and sponsors. Please send me ideas and information that would be valuable to others. The newsletter is simply a supplement to the WNSL webpage – which is our primary mode of communication. The newsletter will be published in a PDF format, making it easy to forward to families and friends.

Let me know if you have any questions, comments, or concerns; as well as how I can be of service to your individual clubs, along with the WNSL.

Sincerely,

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