

On the Glide Newsletter

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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 Wisconsin skiing, to promote our schedule of events and sponsors, and to provide updated information.

50/50 Sponsorship for the State Championships

- The WNSL 50/50 Sponsorship Program is a great way for teams to take ownership of the State Championship Events and to raise some money for their individual team too.
- **PROCESS:** Individual clubs secure sponsorship monies, which are split 50/50 between WNSL and the fundraising club. Sponsors or clubs send the money to the WNSL treasure, who will pass along a check for ½ of the total amount to the fundraising club.
- Last year, Iola (Schwab) and Peak Nordic (Lapham Peak) were two awesome examples!
- **This year**, we will add 50/50 Sponsor logos and hyperlinks to the WNSL website and within the *On the Glide* newsletter, along with additional exposure at both venues.
- The top 2024-25 WNSL 50/50 Sponsorship team will receive TOKO gifts for your team.
- Sponsors and/or Fundraisers send checks to:
 - WNSL
 C/O T Bryant
 2254 Keyes Ave
 Madison, WI 53711
 - * Please make a note that the donation is a 50/50 Club/League Sponsorship.

TWO Awesome Athletic Scholarship Opportunities

- Kortie Scholarships via the Wisconsin Nordic Network (WINN)
 - The Kortie is not a WNSL race, but rather a post-season event that is important to Wisconsin skiers and supported by WNSL and ABSF.
 - If you or others would like to donate and increase the number of skiers we can offer scholarships, you can go to <u>our website</u> and **make a donation**.
- Foundation for the Endowment of the American Birkenbeiner
 - Schwartz Miller Scholarship Fund
 - The Schwartz Miller Endowment will offer scholarships to **high school seniors** who are members of a ski team but for whom the entry fee is a challenge.
 - https://endowment.birkie.com/birkie-legacy-funds/schwartz-miller-scholarship/



2025 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS Volunteer Signup is now Open

- Please share with your Nordic Friends and Families
- SPRINT WEEKEND: February 1-2, 2025 / Ariens Nordic Center / Brillion, WI https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1HBvXjCrLyLtJ0C_lfVnsRmqkfmu5rrD8oLmN8foYQeU/edit?gid=0#gid=0

Northwest Design, the "official WNSL apparel sponsor" and will have a sales booth at both Wisconsin State Championship weekends with new and exciting goods!



United States Collegiate Ski Association (USCSA)

USCSA "Nordic Guide" - Nordic skiing opportunities beyond high school https://www.skimcsa.com/uploads/7/0/4/4/70442547/uscsa nordic teams guide 2024.pdf

- 2025 USCSA events
 - Midwest Regionals in Rhinelander, WI / CAVOC trails February 14-16, 2025
 - Nationals in Bend, OR / Mt. Bachelor March 2025



The WNSL has been contacted by a Wisconsin based organization (WNDG) that is willing to MATCH our fundraising efforts, with a due date of January 15, 2025.

Please Help to Support Our Mission: "To Promote Wisconsin Youth & Junior Skiing"

2025 Friends of the Wisconsin Nordic Ski League Donations link: https://www.wisconsinxcski.org/support/

Please share with your Nordic friends, families, and alumni athletes & coaches

Check out Borah Teamwear for your club apparel and uniforms

https://borahteamwear.com/

"Borah Teamwear is the sponsor of the 2025 WNSL Champions Award Bibs"





The **WNSL** webpage is an excellent tool for promoting the league, as well as your individual teams and clubs. Currently, The team pages are missing a lot of promotional information!

- Please look it over closely, and update your specific team page with rosters, pictures, coach contact information, and event schedules.
 - https://www.wisconsinxcski.org/
- Contact Charlie with your updates: Charlie Keller: charlie.keller@gmail.com

The WNSL calendar link is awesome!

- December 2024 is packed full of great events **review the calendar** to assure your events are updated with waivers, website links, and registration information.
 - The Salomon Youth Cup / JNQ schedules: https://cxcskiing.org/pages/events/cxc-junior-cup.html

STATE Championship links are getting UPDATED weekly!

USSS Membership / Level 100 Certification // Basic Membership Requirements

Step 1 – Register for your U.S. Ski & Snowboard <u>COACH</u> Membership - <u>https://usskiandsnowboard.org/membership</u>

Step 2 – Sign in on the SEA using your current U.S. Ski & Snowboard membership username and password – : https://academv.usskiandsnowboard.org/

Step 3 – Register for the Sport Education Academy at the required GOLD subscription tier for \$80.00. Once you are enrolled in the Sport Education Academy Complete all of the <u>Safety Requirements</u> - Mandatory

- Avalanche Awareness (which is a short course with updated content from the Introduction to Avalanche Course you may have taken previously)
- First Aid & CPR confirm annually (you do not need to retake these courses if you have current certifications, you just need to confirm you have current certifications by entering in date of completion, organization, expiration date, and acknowledge that what you entered is true. Should take 5 mins or less if you have current certs. Recommended online training below if you do not have current certs.
 - American Red Cross
 - National CPR Foundation
 - American Heart Association
- Concussion Training confirm annually same process as first aid and cpr. Recommended online training below if you do not have current certs.
 - HEADS UP Concussion Training
 - NFHS Concussion in Sports



WNSL Athlete Registration is Open via MileSplit

The team roster submission "event" has been set-up on Milesplit for teams to make their official roster declaration by 12/31/2024. This is a League requirement for all teams to be able to participate in the state meets in February. It's also a good way to gauge League participation from year to year. To find the meet, go to your Milesplit team page and it should be listed there. If you don't see it, you can search the calendar for the WNSL Roster Submission meet. Here is a direct link: https://wi.milesplit.com/meets/648351-team-roster-submission-to-wnsl-2

If you are new to Milesplit, there are a few things you need to do to access the site for your team. This includes:

- 1. Establishing your personal login to MileSplit.
- 2. Claiming your team as a coach.

Complete instructions for these activities can be found on the Milesplit help page which you can find here: https://support.milesplit.com/s/

After you claim your team, you need to update your team's roster for the current year and then enter your athletes into the pseudo-WNSL Roster Submission meet.

I'm sure some of this might be confusing to new users, so please feel free to contact me with questions. I'm happy to walk you through the steps.

Some of you may have also seen that I'm setting up the entries pages for several meets including the Standing Rocks Sprints, WinMan Early Bird meet, Snekkevik, Iola Skate Invite and the Hodag Challenge. If there are other meets you want me to set-up for events you are hosting, let me know and I can get that taken care of.

Questions:

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WNSL Board - through October 2025

- Dale Fanney Secretary
- Tamara Bryant Treasure
- Ben Popp President
- Andrew Johnson Vice President
- Bruce Manske League Administrator



What is Bruce working on this month?

- Seeking & updating league sponsor
- Promoting the Friends of WNSL membership
- Setting up the Organizing Committees for the both State Championships
- Setting up social media accounts: FaceBook & InstaGram
- MileSplit forms for the State Meet registration coming soon
- Updating the Guest Class and forming a committee to review the guest class format.
- Promoting WINN
- Joined Midwest coaching staff going to Canmore in March 2025

Please send me ideas / topics and questions that interest you for future newsletters. The newsletter is simply a supplement to the WNSL website – which is our primary mode of communication. The *On the Glide* newsletter will be published in a PDF format, making it easy to forward to families and friends.

Happy Training, Bruce

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Nominations are being accepted for the 2025 Coaches' Hall of Fame



2024 Inductees

Jake and Kristen Barnes



2025 WNSL SPONSORS

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