



WISCONSIN NORDIC SKI LEAGUE

On the Glide Newsletter

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*The **On the Glide Newsletter** is the official newsletter of the WNSL. The newsletter will provide teams, clubs, families, and sponsors with information that promotes Nordic skiing across the Midwest.*

A HUGE shoutout of THANKS to the many, many Nordic enthusiasts who helped make the 2025 WNSL State Championships successful and FUN for athletes, coaches, and families!



Photo Credit: Cathy Putman

2025 WNSL Coaches Hall of Fame Inductee: Coach Steve Sweson, Blackhawk Nordic



Photo Credit: Lynn Groeschl

“Youth” Skiing Opportunities Still on the Calendar

Thursday, February 20, 2025 - *Junior Birkie & Team Relays* - Downtown Hayward, WI

- <https://www.birkie.com/ski/events/junior-birkie/>

March 1 & 2, 2025 – *Midwest & GLD Youth Championships* - Spirit Mountain, Duluth, MN

- <https://www.cxcskiing.org/pages/events/cxc-youth-cup.html>

Saturday, March 8, 2025 - *Junior Bear Chase* - Calumet, MI

- <https://www.greatbearchase.com/Race/GreatBearChase/Page-12>



MISSING: WNSL Swix / Salomon Race Bibs: #1, #253, #299

Please check with your athletes and families regarding these missing race bibs.

WNSL State Sprint Championships at the Ariens Nordic Center



Photo Credit: Cathay Putman

More Awesome WNSL State Championship Photos

Ben Hamilton Photography via PhotoDay

Thanks Ben Hamilton – the proceeds from photo sales will be donated to the WNSL.

To View and Purchase WNSL State Championships Photos

Text the access code WNSLSPRINT25 to 90738 to receive access and ongoing alerts
or visit <https://my.photoday.com/g/wnslsprint25> on your phone or computer.

WNSL State Distance Championships at the Birkie Trailhead & Great Hall



Photo Credit: Bruce Manske



Best of Skiing, Nordic FUN, and Fast Glide to all athletes headed to Soldier Hollow, Utah for the 2025 Junior Nationals, to Canmore, Canada for the Canadian Nationals, and to the NENSA U16 Championships in Woodford, Vermont.

WNSL Spring Meeting: April 6, 2025

The WNSL has a lot to discuss as we look ahead to the 2025-26 Nordic Ski Season:

- Rules of Competition
- Venues & Dates: Distance and Sprint Championship
- Racing Format & Scoring
- Conference Competitions
- Awards
- Separate Weekends for MS and HS State
- Guest Class
- Roles & Compensation of the WNSL Board
- GLD Coaching Position
- Summer Camps

PLEASE add your thoughts and comments to the “open forum” document link to start the discussions before the schedule WNSL Spring Meeting:

LINK:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1bsdQBTGJnrgug3L0QM1WvqVLJUuRpbpB5t-IOCVLdys/edit?usp=sharing>

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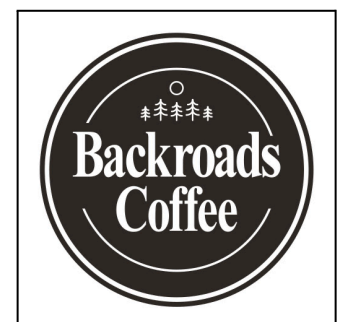
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