

2020 Volkl/ Marker/ Dalbello Speed Series



Format: 6 race series for expert skiers consisting of 5 Friday nights (1/10/20: GS on Valley, 1/24/20: Super G on Valley, 2/7/20: GS on Smokey, 2/21/20: Super G on Smokey and 3/8/19: GS on Scarface), and the series finale Bartlett Cup Super G on Sno Pro 3/8/20 at 9:30 am. The Nub's Nob Open will still take place (3/1/20), but is no longer part of Speed Series. Friday night racing will begin at 7:00 pm. Nightly course inspection begins at 6:20 p.m. Cancelled races will not be rescheduled. The schedule follows the same event rotation if a race is cancelled, with the cancelled race being held the next Friday night. **Approved retail ski helmets are required for all races**, the penalty for not wearing one is disqualification.

Fees: Fee for the entire series is \$60 and includes a T-shirt or hat and race fees for all 7 races. The entry fee for individual races is \$10.

Registration: At the lodge front desk from 9 am to 6:30 pm Fridays for each night race and the preceding day and morning until 40 minutes prior to start time for the weekend day races. Racers who have entered for the entire series need not check in at the front desk as they are automatically entered on the start sheet each week. Racers not registered for the Series will be placed at the bottom of the start order for both runs in their respective age/ gender class. In the Nub's Nob Open Slalom Race, Speed Series racers entered for the season will be seeded automatically in the beginning of their respective age/ gender classes according to Speed Series seeding (see below).

Age/Gender Classes: Age classes will be the following for both men and women: 9-12, 13-17, 18-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60-69 and 70 plus. *Age is based on age on New Years Day 2019.*

Eligibility: Racing is open to expert male and female skiers age 9 and over. Competitors must have a valid lift ticket and sign a release form before racing.

Course Inspection: Courses will be open to **sideslip inspection only** at least 40 minutes before racing begins. **Chief of Race** will determine if racers may break the plane of the gates or are to sideslip just the race slope or the actual race line dependant on conditions. Racers shadowing or running the courses prior to the start of competition will result in immediate disqualification from that race.

Seed Running Order for Age/ Gender Classes: Women first, Men second within each of the following age classes: 70+, 60 to 69, 50 to 49, 40-49, 30-39, 18-29, 13-17.

Competitor Order within Age/Gender Classes: Race 1 will be random draw of all entered racers within each age/gender class, run in order as outlined in the above rule. Competitors registered for the entire Speed Series in races 2 through 7 will be seeded by the season long ranking in each age/gender class in the order of the season to date standings (#1 ranked competitor in age/gender class starts #1, etc.). Competitors not registered for the entire Speed Series will be placed by random draw at the end of their appropriate age/gender class. Second runs are run in the same order as the first runs. Running order will be available at the top of the hill 30 minutes prior to race time.

Start: Racers have 60 seconds to appear in the start when the starter calls them into the start gate. Racers not in the start gate in the allotted time are disqualified from that race. Racers must start within 5 seconds after the starter gives the “go when ready” start command. Timing failure of any type or other “force majeure” (forces out of the racers control, mechanical failure, etc.) as determined by the chief of course will result in an immediate provisional re-run.

Overall and Class Scoring: For the overall championship and for each age/gender class will be based on the following system: 1st place: 25 pts, 2nd place: 20 pts, 3rd place: 15 pts, 4th place: 10 pts, 5th place: 8 pts, 6th place: 6 pts, 7th place: 4 pts, 8th place: 3 pts, all finishers 9th place and beyond: 2pts, DNF's and DSQ's: 1 point and DNS's receive 0 points. A maximum of 5 of the 7 races will count toward the overall and age class awards. In the event of a cancellation(s) due to “force majeure” 5 races will still be used for final series point calculation unless 5 races have not been completed in which case the number of races completed will count.

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