

Alpine Canada Masters 2018 Newsletter Archives

December 2018 Newsletter

12/24/2018 No doubt most of you have been on snow already this season or plan to over the holidays, are training hard, and are looking forward to the upcoming racing season! Your Committee has been hard at work on a number of things;

2019 National Calendar:

We are pleased to report that, so far, our 2019 National Calendar has a total of 34 races coast-to-coast! see the <u>Race Calendar</u> for the latest listing of events.

Notables regarding this upcoming and exciting calendar include:

- In the east, two major events back-to-back; the Eastern Masters' Championships,1 3 March, at Stoneham, QC (see <u>Race Notice</u>), followed the weekend after by the Super GP Classic, Friday, 8 March, at Georgian Peaks, ON, and the Ontario Championships, 9 10 March at Alpine Ski Resort, ON. With 8 eastern races (4 x SG, 2 x GS, 2 x SL) over a 10 day period, come east all you Westerners!
- In the west, another two major events back-to-back; the Western Masters' Championships, 22 24 March, at Nakiska, AB, followed the weekend after by the Canadian Alpine Masters' Championships, 29 31 March, at Panorama, BC. With 8 western races (4 x SG, 2 x GS, 2 x SL) over a 10 day period, come west all you Easterners!

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Other new venues and/or that have not appeared on a National Calendar in many years include:

20-Jan-2019 SL Snow Valley (AB) Alberta Masters 16-Mar-2019 GS & SL Mont Cascades (QC) Ottawa Masters

Thank you to both venues and organizers for your work and cooperation that permitted these to be added to our National Calendar.

Canadian Masters' Alpine Team (CMAT):

The criteria for CMAT for the upcoming 2019 season has changed slightly. For those that may have missed it, here is a <u>link</u> to the newsletter that covered this and the reasons for the changes

Swag:

New this year are ski straps emblazoned with be Canadian Alpine Masters' logo.



The straps will soon be available from your Provincial Rep and/or at upcoming races; only \$10/pair to take care of your skis and support Masters!

Thank you to Victoria Fenninger for her design and taking care of our order.

Sponsorship:

A major source of revenue for the Canadian Alpine Masters is from the many sponsors who support us with their contributions that are auctioned off at our three major events being the Eastern, Western and National Championships. The most significant of these is from Mike Wiegele Helicopter Skiing www.wiegele.com who has contributed a 2-day package for each of these three events for several years. In recognition of this, we have offered Mike naming rights for one of our regional

events. Mike has chosen this to be the "Mike Wiegele Eastern Canadian Masters' Alpine Championships". Additionally, he has very generously agreed to repeat this fabulous contribution for these same three events in 2019. **THANK YOU** Mike and Bonnie for such tremendous support of the Canadian Alpine Masters!!!

US Eastern Masters' Championships:

This year, the US Eastern Masters' Championships will be taking place 25 – 27 January at Stratton, Vermont, consisting of two SG, GS & SL; see <u>Race Notice</u> for more information. Besides being a blast, at a great hill, with super friendly and good caliber racers, this event falls on dates where there are no races on our National Calendar, so register now! The sooner you do so, the earlier your start in your age group!!

Wishing all of you happy and safe holidays, with as many turns on the snow as you dream for; I ski because I was born.
I ski for the dance on white gold.

I ski because mountains and sky exist. In perfect harmony between the two.

Lloyd Sevack | President

Canadian Masters' Alpine Team (CMAT) – Change in criteria for 2019 season and onwards

10/30/2018: Upon receiving racer feedback, your Committee has deliberated and revised the criteria for the Canadian Masters' Alpine Team (CMAT) for the 2019 season and onwards; see <u>details on our webpage</u>.

The essence of the change is:

From: Minimum of two starts at any of the events listed on the national calendar outside one's home region.

To: Within the minimum five starts, there must be starts in a minimum of two different regions listed on the Masters' national calendar, for the current season. Regions: BC-Coast, BC-Interior, AB, MB, ON QC, and Maritimes.

Examples of issues with the previous criteria (minimum of two starts...outside one's home region) are:

- If the racer attended a single race event outside of their home region, they would be forced to travel a second time outside of their home region.
- If the racer attended a 2-race event outside of their home region, and crashed or got hurt (or cannot race the next day at that event for any other reason), again they would need to travel a second time outside their home region.
- A racer could participate in the minimum of five races, all in a single region as long as it was outside their home region and still qualify.
- The seven regions were not clearly spelled out.

In addition, we are opening up another way to earn a spot on CMAT for those racers that participate in at least five FIS Masters' races in a single season. Given the geography of these races throughout the world (refer https://data.fis-ski.com/masters/home.html) and that this would require attending at least two major FIS Masters' events, achieving this is indicative of the racer's commitment.

For those racers that have met this new criteria, it is up to them to notify me by email, not later than April 15th each year, by way of showing their names on at least five lists of results; this way, we can ensure that your name is added to the CMAT annual announcements.

Given that Masters' racing is as much about sport for life, camaraderie, training, improving, participation, exposure to new Masters and travel, we hope you agree that these revisions align better with these objectives.

Lloyd Sevack | President

SQA regional, ACA national or FIS international card for the 2019 season

10/22/2018: To all Quebec Masters Racers,

The winter & ski races are at our door and it's time to think about signing up for your SQA regional, ACA national or FIS international card for the 2019 season.

The following forms are available to register:

- 1 Form-Membership 2018-19
- 2 Athlete Declaration FIS
- 3 <u>Medical form</u> 2018-19

Only the first form (Form – Membership 2018-19) is required for a master regional (weekend pass) or a national card.

Registration for a FIS card requires the three forms.

Please note that the medical form is optional but strongly recommended. You can send your application for a FIS card even if your medical form was not yet available.

Masters FIS athletes are also required to provide proof of their own personal medical coverage that must include repatriation and sport accident coverage, whether the athlete is racing IN Canada or OUTSIDE the country. Masters who wish can purchase insurance such as a class 3 (Canada only) at a price of \$82.84 through SQA.

- 4- The 2018-19 insurance registration form is also available on this link: Assurance SQA
- 1-) Regional Card card with no points and no racer numbers (This card permits you to race one week-end & train only within Quebec):

\$119 before November 12th, 2018

\$123 on or after November 12th, 2018

2-) National Masters or FIS Card:

\$154\$ or 149\$ before November 12th, 2018

\$161\$ or 166\$ on or after November 12th, 2018

Please mail your forms and payment to:

Ski Québec Alpin 4545 Pierre De-Coubertin C.P. 1000, Succ. M Montréal (QC) H1V 3R2 Attn: Paul St-Hilaire

For any question, you may also contact Paul at 514-252-3089, ext. 3715 or at sqa@skiguebec.gc.ca (attention: Paul St-Hilaire)

Please note that the second ever Eastern Masters CDN championship will be held in Québec this year at the Stoneham station from March 1st to 3rd, 2019 and that a regional, national or FIS card is required to participate. It will be possible to purchase a regional card when registering for the races.

For those racers who wish to participate in any FIS Masters race outside of Canada, please note that a FIS Masters card is required.

Thanks.

Lewis Heilig | Québec Masters rep.

2019 National Calendar Update 25-Sep-18

09/25/2018: Your Committee has been hard at work trying to get a 2019 Masters' National Calendar together where major race events do not conflict and give racers as many reasons as possible to travel; 2019 should be the best yet!

In the east, the Eastern Masters' Championships will again be taking place from 1-3 March, at Stoneham, QC, followed the weekend after by the Super GP Classic on Friday, 8 March, at Georgian Peaks, ON, and the Ontario Championships tentatively from 9-10 March. That's right with 8 races (4 x SG, 2 x GS, 2 x SL) over a 10 day period, so come east all you Westerners!

In the west, the Western Masters' Championships will again be taking place from 22 – 24 March, at Nakiska, AB, followed the weekend after by the Canadian Alpine Masters' Championships from 29 – 31 March, at Panorama, BC, again. That's right with another 8 races (4 x SG, 2 x GS, 2 x SL) over a 10 day period, so come west all you Easterners!

These events and some additional regional races are currently listed in the 2019 National Calendar with more being added as the Committee gets confirmation; see 2019 Calendar

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Lloyd Sevack | President

Masters' Midweek training opportunity in Southern Ontario

09/21/2018: Canadian Alpine Masters are excited to offer mid-week training on quiet hills at a racer-friendly private club in Southern Ontario. Whether you are training for races on the 2019 National Calendar, the 2020 WWMG, or just brushing up, this is a perfect opportunity to train with other likeminded Masters as we hone our skills.

Highlights include:

- 8-week training block with option of 2 additional days in March.
- All day gate training and coaching AM and PM sessions for a total of 16 training blocks!
- GS and SL training on a variety of race terrain.
- Access to top level coaching and video analysis.
- Lift ticket included.
- Close proximity to the GTA.
- Limited size of core training group so don't delay!
- Pay-as-you-Go options available.

For more information, contact Dave Walker at cdnmasters2020@gmail.com

World Winter Masters' Games (WWMG), Jan-2020 & FIS Masters' Race in Canada, Feb-2020

08/12/2018: Yes, 2020 may seem far away, but with two major events in that year, your Committee thought to let you know what's coming in order to help you with some long range planning.

World Winter Masters Games (WWMG), Jan-2020:

The World Winter Masters' Games, last held in Quebec in 2015 and prior to that in Slovenia in 2010, will be coming to Innsbruck in 2020, from 10-19 January, 2020, (after which these games are expected to be a quadrennial event); see https://www.innsbruck2020.com/en/winter-world-masters-games/1-0.html.

FIS Masters Race in Canada, Feb-2020:

At a major FIS meeting in May, our rule request change to increase the allotment of Masters' FIS races held in North America from four to eight as of 2020 was voted on and passed unanimously! This means that four Masters' FIS races will be coming to Canada the year after next!

The US will be holding their four Masters' FIS races in the west (exact venue TBD) from 7-9 February 2020. Here in Canada, we hope to hold our four Masters' FIS races the weekend before or after, in order to make the eight North American races a big draw for overseas racers, who can bag eight races over approximately 10 days!

For those who have ever aspired to earning a Crystal Globe, 2020 may be your best year to start trying as the number of qualifying races has been increased to twelve! Canadian Masters will be able to grab eight in North America (four in the US + four in Canada), then go to Europe once for the finals, plus one other 2-race event on back-to-back weekends!

To help do some long range planning in 2020 and what promises to be a jam-packed year, your Committee would be grateful if you would complete this survey https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/69RVNCC, not later than **18 August 2018.**

We will definitely need a Masters' sub-committee to plan this FIS event. Mike Robbins (one of, if not the most prolific Canadian Master's FIS racer and Globe holder) has graciously agreed to be part of this, but we will need a few more people to help.

Lloyd Sevack | President

2019 Preliminary National Calendar

07/26/2018: Winter is likely furthest from everyone's mind these days. Not sure about the west, but here in the east we have had a month of almost all +30 degree days and little rain!

Nevertheless, attached is the 2019 Masters' National Calendar to date; some races are yet to be confirmed so presenting likely dates.

You will also note that the Rides of March at Nakiska, AB, are one week before Nationals at Panorama, BC (only a 3 hour drive between the two), so for all you Eastern racers, mark your own calendars to attend 8 races, over 10 days, in a single trip!

Link to the preliminary calendar

World Winter Masters Games 2020

07/26/2018: The next World Winter Masters Games (WWMG), will be held at Innsbruck, Jan 10-19, 2020; (https://www.innsbruck2020.com/en/winter-world-masters-games/1-0.html)

Victoria is working on a WWMG/Canadian Alpine Masters soft shell design. These will be unveiled for ordering sometime in February/March 2019, for delivery in the Fall of 2019!

Masters Speed/Skin Suits

07/26/2018: Masters Speed/Skin Suits - Order deadline extended to Aug 20th, 2018

The custom designed Canadian Masters' speed suits you've seen on the hills the last two seasons are ready for re-ordering.

In order to receive your suit by the end of 2018, **orders must be placed by Monday, August 20, 2018**. Orders placed by this date will also receive a \$50 discount. Please use the coupon code "SAVE50" to receive the discount.

After this date, orders will continue to be accepted throughout the season but without the discount, and delivery will not be until sometime in 2019. The higher price, after the order deadline of August 13th, is required to absorb the cost of shipping and processing smaller orders.

Beyond X is a Canadian company which allows custom designing of suits, continuous ordering through the season, and suit options like padding (or no padding), and 2-piece or 1-piece.

The price includes all taxes, but the cost of mailing it to you is added as a Canada Post charge on the order–as you will see.

Please ensure you check the sizing chart for the correct size, and don't forget to put in the "SAVE50" to receive a \$50 discount if ordered by August 13th.

With regards to uniform orders (jackets & full zip pants), another newsletter will be going out in Winter 2019, for Fall 2019 delivery.

However, at this time, please note that there is one women's full-zip pants available, black, size 6. This too may be ordered via the link below to be received by the end of the year.

To order your suit click here:

https://mastersorder.simplybooked.com/index.php?lang=en

Ontario Masters' Championships: Results & Photos

03/19/2018: Ontario Masters' Championships: Results & Photos

The Ontario Masters' Championships were held at Osler Bluff Ski Club on Sunday, 11 March 2018, by running the GS and slalom races back to back. As always, OSBC hosted an excellent event in perfect weather and conditions! A big THANK YOU goes out to the RoC, crew and volunteers for a great day of racing.

There were 63 racers on the start list for the GS race and 58 on the start list for the SL race; across 4 age categories for women and 9 age categories for men. The oldest age group was 70 – 74 for women and 75 – 79 for men, and the youngest was 45 – 49 for women and 18 – 29 for men; including 6 racers from QC.

The Masters continue to be very competitive, at all age levels, with the following having the fastest times of the day:

F60-64 ESSON Andrea (Osler) 72.21 (GS) 72.44 (SL) 144.65 (Overall)

F55-59 EAST Patti (Osler) 76.26 (GS) 79.67 (SL) 155.93 (Overall)

F55-59 KOFFLER-BOYMAN Tiana (Craigleith) 75.25 (GS) 85.17 (SL) 160.42 (Overall)

M35-39 MILLER William (Osler) 64.87 (GS) 64.31 (SL) 129.18 (Overall)

M60-64 ROBBINS Mike (Osler) 68.20 (GS) 65.78 (SL) 133.98 (Overall)

M45-49 FURSE Rob (Georgian Peaks) 68.12 (GS) 67.56 (SL) 135.68 (Overall)

The full results can be found on the Alpine Canada Masters' events page

Photo album on Facebook: 2018 Ontario Masters' photo album

Photos by Michael Werner Images – Sports Photography:

GS Photos SI Photos

REMINDER TO ALL RACERS

03/17/2018 Eastern Canada Alpine Masters Championships

We are now at one week before the event of the year in Quebec and one day before the registration deadline of March 18, 2018.

Registration for the 2018 Eastern Canada Alpine Masters Championship is well underway. Do not miss this event which will be held at the beautiful resort of Stoneham from March 23 to 25, 2018, with 2 days of pre-race training also available.

The conditions are superb with more than 20 cm. of new snow and the weather forecasts predict a nice temperature.

New at the resort this year — the old double chair and the two T-bars have been replaced by a brand new quad chair. Say goodbye to riding the T-bar with a second pair of skis on your shoulder ...

With already close to 50 registered participants, we are in a good position to establish this event as an annual tradition. All racers, both Canadian and American, are now eligible for the prestigious title of Grand Champion (one title for men and one for women, who will each receive a superb trophy).

So you still have the opportunity to participate in this prestigious event, not to mention a memorable banquet where over 7000\$ in merchandise will be offered at a silent auction, as well as all the door prizes. Enter by registering immediately at the following link:

www.inscriptweb.com/mastersalpin2018

Looking forward to seeing you at Stoneham.

Lewis Heilig | Representative - Masters Quebec

36th Annual Ottawa Masters Final Giant Slalom / Slalom Sat March 17 2018 Notice of Race

03/10/2018: 36th Annual Ottawa Masters Final : Giant Slalom / Slalom Sat March 17 2018 Notice of Race

Registration: Day of Race starts at 8:30 AM

Place: Edelweiss

Cost:

- GS \$15.00 SL \$15.00
- Lift tickets \$25
- A lunch including a pop:
- Free for Master members
- Lots of great Prizes too! (for Masters members in good standing)

Eligibility: This is an open race for all members of the public:

- Masters, NCC & FIS Racers, Ski Patrol,
- Ski Instructors, Guests, Friends and Relatives

Age Categories: 19-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70-74, 75-79, 80 - 84, 85+

Organization: Ottawa Masters Ski Association

https://www.ottawamasters.ca | info@ottawamasters.ca

Schedule:

- GS inspection 9:00- 9:30 am, 1st run 9:30, 2nd run 10:15 (approx)
- SL (Follows immediately after GS) inspection 12:00 12:30, 1st run 12:30, 2nd run 1:15
- Group photo follows 2nd run
- Tear down
- Lunch

Registration deadlines are looming for last two major Masters' race events!

03/10/2018: With the culmination of the two Masters' races running concurrently this weekend (Ontario Championships in the east and Rides of March in the west), there remains only two major events left this season with one in the east and one in the west!

Eastern Masters' Championships, March 23-25, Stoneham, QC

Info & race notice: Race-notice

Registration deadline: March 18, 17h00, EST

Canadian Alpine Masters' Championships, March 29-April 1st, Panorama, BC

Info & Race Notice: Race-notice

Registration deadline: March 24, 17h00, MST

Both events offer four races in all three disciplines (SG x 2, GS & SL) over three days!

Be sure to register, for these events, before the looming deadlines!

Lloyd Sevack | President

Registration – Ontario Championships

03/06/2018: As of 4 pm yesterday, we had 62 registered for the GS and 57 for the SL i.e. we are well over the minimum of 50.

However, Osler have agreed to extend the registration deadline to **4 pm on Wednesday, 7 March 2018**, so don't delay any further.

Master's Competitor Card for Ontario members:

This is a sanctioned race so you must hold one of the following:

- Master's FIS card at \$177.50
- Master's National card at \$167.50
- Master's weekend event card at \$75

For Master's FIS or National cardholders, please check that you have an "active" status alongside your name on https://acapoints.ca/; if not, but you do have proof of payment, then send an email to Shannon McGinnis (AOA Member Services Coordinator) on memberservices@alpineontario.ca and ask her to activate same.

Registration 2-step process:

- 1a) Master's FIS or National cardholders: The Race Administrator of your home club must register you on ACApoints.ca
- 1b) Master's weekend cardholders: Enter "weekend" in the card # field of the entry form, as AOA will advise Osler you have purchased same.
- 2) All racers to complete the entry form (page 2 of the race notice) with your credit card details and email to racing@oslerbluff.com by 4 pm on Wednesday, 7 March 2018

Race notice and entry form:

https://alpinecanadamasters.racing/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/20180311_ON_Masters_Championships_Race_Notice.pdf

See you at the Ontario Masters' Championships on Sunday!

Sharon Chadwick | ON Masters' Representative

Registration deadlines are looming!

02/28/2018 As of noon, on 28 February 2018, there are only 24 registered for the Ontario Championships on 11 March 2018; Osler requires a minimum of 50 racers in order to hold the event so don't delay and register today.

Listed below are the registration DEADLINES for upcoming events:

Super GP Classic = Midnight on Wednesday, 28 February 2018

registration link

Ontario Masters' Championships = 4 pm EST on Monday, 5 March 2018

registration link

Eastern Championships = 5 pm EST on Thursday, 1 March 2018 (discounted daily fees) / 5 pm EST on Tuesday, 13 March 2018 (final with \$15 daily fee increase)

registration link

National Championships = 5 pm MST on Saturday, 24 March 2018 registration link

See you at the Super GP Classic and Ontario Masters' Championships!

Sharon Chadwick | ON Masters' Representative

SQA Regional Card

02/27/2018: To all Quebec Masters Racers

The winter ski races are more than half over and you still have time to sign up for your SQA regional, ACA national or FIS international card for the 2018 season.

In order to register, you no longer have to be a member of a ski club affiliated to SQA. Just insert the text "Maîtres/SQA" in the field marked NOM DU CLUB and leave the OSPT field blank.

The following forms are available to register:

- 1. Form-Membership 2017-18
- 2. Athlete Declaration FIS
- 3. Medical form 2017-18

Only the first form (Form – Membership 2017-18) is required for a master regional (weekend pass) or a national card.

Registration for a FIS card requires the three forms.

Please note that the medical form is optional but strongly recommended. You can send your application for a FIS card even if your medical form was not yet available.

Masters FIS athletes are also required to provide proof of their own personal medical coverage that must include repatriation and sport accident coverage, whether the athlete is racing IN Canada or OUTSIDE the country. Masters who wish can purchase such insurance through SQA at a price of \$ 75.21 for a class 3 insurance.

- 4. The 2017-18 insurance registration form is also available.
- Regional Card card with no points and no racer numbers (This card permits you to race one week-end & train only within Quebec):

\$117 before November 13th, 2017

\$121 after November 14th, 2017

• National Masters or FIS Card:

\$152\$ or 147\$ before November 13th, 2017

\$158\$ or 163\$ after November 14th, 2017

Please mail your forms and payment to:

Ski Québec Alpin 4545 Pierre De-Coubertin C.P. 1000, Succ. M Montréal (QC) H1V 3R2

Attn: Paul St-Hilaire

For any question, you may also contact Paul at 514-252-3089, ext. 3715 or

at sqa@skiquebec.qc.ca (attention: Paul St-Hilaire)

Please note that the first ever Eastern Masters CDN championship will be held in Québec this year at the Stoneham station from March 22nd to 25th, 2018 and that a regional, national or FIS card is required to participate. It will be possible to purchase a regional card when registering for the races. Here is the link where you can find the form(s) to fill out:

https://www.skiguebec.gc.ca/fr/zone-membres/#simple4

and also the link where you can make the on-line application (FIS card only):

https://www.skiguebec.gc.ca/fr/zone-membres/acces-athletes-fis/

Lewis Heilig | Québec Masters rep.

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Canadian Masters' Alpine Championships:

The race notice is out and registration is open for the 2018 Canadian Masters' Alpine Championships being held from 29 March – 1 April 2018, at Panorama Mountain Resort.

Training is offered on Monday, 26 March (SL), Tuesday, 27 March (GS am / SL pm) and Wednesday, 28 March (GS am) under the watchful eye of our wonderful coach and Technical Adviser, Claudio Berto. Race notice:

https://www.panoramaresort.com/assets/Uploads/Race-Notice-V6.pdf

Registration:

https://offers.panoramaresort.com/2018-can-masters-champs

Note: The entry deadline is Saturday, 24 March 2018 at 5 pm MST.

World Cup Points:

The first version of the World Cup (WC) points list, for the 2018 season, can be found at: https://alpinecanadamasters.racing/wpcontent/uploads/2018/02/2018_WC_Points_v180218.pdf
All the WC point lists, from 2010 to 2017, are also published on our Masters' website at https://alpinecanadamasters.racing/?page_id=4187&lang=en

A message from Sharon Chadwick: When registering for races on the Masters' National Calendar, please ensure you use the identical first and last name that is on <u>ACApoints.ca</u> i.e. if you have a Master's national or Master's FIS card. Sharon's lookup formulas on the WC points spreadsheet do not accommodate "Dave vs David", "Bill vs William", "Terry vs Terrence", etc. In addition, <u>ACApoints.ca</u> does not accommodate accented characters in first or last names.

Canadian Eastern Championships

02/23/2018: Calling all Ontario racers for upcoming Masters' event!

What: Eastern Canadian Masters' Championships

Where: Stoneham, QC (less than a tank of gas from ON)

When: 23 – 25 March 2018

Why: 4 races over 3 days, all disciplines (SG x 2, GS & SL), adrenaline, friends, camaraderie, silent auction with over \$6,000 worth of goodies up for grabs, Quebec joie de vivre and add your own reasons!

Who: Calling all ON racers!!!

Join masters' racers from QC, AB, BC, USA and your fellow ON racers that have already registered for the first Eastern Canadian Masters' Championships being held; also the first of what we hope will become an annual event! For this event to happen, we need to maximize participation!

We are now less than 10 days from when registration cost goes up on 1 March 2018! Final registration date is 13 March 2018.

Race notice and link to registration: https://inscriptweb.com/mastersalpin2018/info/Race_notice.pdf

Register now for this stellar event!

Ontario Masters' Newsletter Feb-18 Issue

02/20/2018: The race notice is out for the ON Masters' Championships on 11 March 2018, at Osler Bluff Ski Club, with GS in the morning and SL in the afternoon – see link below.

Competitors are to register through the Race Administer of their home club and then make payment to the Race Administrator (Jane Thomson) at Osler Bluff Ski Club.

Note: This is a sanctioned event so you require a Master's national or FIS or weekend-event competitor card. Also, a FIS compliant helmet is required for the GS and Osler does not allow softeared helmets for the SL.

Master's Competitor Card for Ontario members:

Register online at Alpine Ontario Registration by selecting the Master's National Card (select the 'AOA 2017/18 Season Registration Masters' program) or the Master's FIS Card (select the 'AOA 2017/18 Season Registration (FIS)'program). The Master's National Card is the best option if you intend racing in more than one event – refer to the fee schedule at Alpine Ontario Fee Schedule Note: It takes approximately 2 weeks from time of payment to seeing your card activated on ACAPoints.ca otherwise follow up with Member Services at AOA.

Mark your Calendars:

The Ontario races are as follows:

FRI, 09-Mar-18, SG x 2, The Georgian Peaks Club, Super GP Classic.

Race notice/registration form link

SUN, 11-Mar-18, GS & SL, Osler Bluff Ski Club, ON Masters' Championships.

Race notice/registration form/schedule link

Go to the <u>Alpine Canada Masters 2018 Race Calendar</u> page for the full Masters' National calendar including first-ever Masters' Eastern Championships in Stoneham, QC, from 23 – 25 March 2018 and the Masters' National Championships in Panorama, BC, from 30 March to 1 April 2018.

Masters' Swag:

The new PVC patch and screen-printed neck warmers, with the current Masters' logo, will be available for sale at the ON Masters' Championships.

See you at the Ontario Masters' Championships!

Sharon Chadwick | ON Masters' Representative

Rides of March - Nakiska

02/20/2018: If you haven't registered already, don't forget early registration deadline for the Rides of March at Nakiska is tonight (February 20th). We need a minimum of 30 athletes by tonight in order to be able to confirm this awesome race event.

The prices for each race will go up by \$20 per event on Wednesday so register now and take advantage of the early pricing. You need to complete the registration at: https://go.teamsnap.com/forms/102251/signups

The full race notice is available: https://albertamastersskiclub.ca/uploads/Rides-2018-Race-Notice.pdf

New Masters' Swag!

02/16/2018, Lloyd Sevack: We are pleased to unveil new Canadian Alpine Masters' swag!

Masters/Maîtres patch: The design of this patch is the current Alpine Canada Masters' logo, moulded of flexible and sturdy PVC. The patch comes with an adhesive backing but may be sewn on for more robustness; the PVC is quite thick so you may wish to have your local shoemaker stitch the patch to your garment.



The patches are available at \$10 each to any racer who has not entered any of these 3 events or anyone that wants more than one patch to affix to another jacket.

One patch will be provided to each racer that enters one of the three major 3-day events:

- Eastern Championships @ Stoneham
- Western Championships @ Nakiska
- Nationals @ Panorama

CMAT Patches: In addition to the paper certificate and "year" medallions that are applied to the certificates, each person that earns a spot on CMAT (as of 2018) will also receive the "Canadian Masters Alpine Team/Club des Maîtres Alpin Canadiens" patch, as well as the smaller "CMAT 2018" patch.



In subsequent years, new racers earning a spot on CMAT will receive the upper patch. As each year progresses, each team member will also receive subsequent "CMAT 20YY" patches.



Neck Warmers: Screen-printed neck warmers, with the current Masters' logo, are available at \$5 each.

Both items will be available at the three events mentioned above, as well as at the upcoming Ontario Championships.

Thank you to Victoria Fenninger's artistic, graphics and sourcing skills that made these items a reality!

Canadians at US National Masters' Championships, February 6-10, 2018 in Okemo, Vermont

02/12/2018, Lloyd Sevack: The US National Masters' Championships come to the east every 4 years, this year being one, held February 6-10, 2018 in Okemo, Vermont, where 11 Canadians participated and with many podium finishes. Over half the Canadian field raced in the two largest classes; 3 Canadians were amongst 28 racers registered in class M8 (men 60-64) and 4 Canadian were amongst 29 registered in class M7 (men 55-59)!

Just 2 days before the event, 30 cm of snow fell, making for massive race hill preparations that the amazing crew at Okemo readied for the SG training held on Tuesday. This was followed by the SG race on Wednesday that the Race Committee decided to attempt with an early morning start in order to be done before noon, when the next blizzard was forecast to hit. Snow stared falling midway through the B group (men ages 55-64), leaving half that field and all the A group (men under 55) having to do their runs as the snow began. That afternoon and evening, another 35 cm of snow fell!

Some racers chose to whoop it up in the fast accumulating pow that afternoon! Hill and course preparation on Thursday morning was very challenging with so much new snow, but the race crew and racers managed to get the SL courses ready for the combined SG + SL. Needless to say, this was pulled off on a soft and increasingly rut-filled track. As it was impossible to pull off the SG that same day, the results from the SG the day before counted to culminate the combined.

On Friday, the A & B groups raced SL, the C (women) and D (men 65+) groups raced GS, with a reversal of race disciplines on Saturday, the final day, in plus temperatures and very soft snow. Canadians succeeded with a number of podium finishes. Very special mention goes out to Jeff Sutherland capturing the silver for the overall in the men's M7 (55-59) category, and to Cinthia Audet, achieving gold in the US National Championships in the women's M6 (50-54) category!

Gender	Racer	Class	SG	(SG + SL)	SL	GS	Championship
Men / Hommes	Serge Martin	M10 (70-74)	DSQ				
	Vincent Renaud	M8 (60-64)	5/19	5/19	6/19	5/21	4/25
	Terry Hanna	M8 (60-64)	7/19	6/19	7/19	3/21	5/25
	Denis Lizotte	M8 (60-64)	13/19	14/19			
	Jeff Sutherland	M7 (55-59)	3/19	2/20	1/24	1/26	2/29
	Lloyd Sevack	M7 (55-59)	7/19	6/20	7/24	5/26	4/29
	Jaime Hugesson	M7 (55-59)	6/19	DNF	6/24	16/26	7/29
	Yves Bonneau	M7 (55-59)	10/19	10/20	19/24	11/26	10/29
	Patrice Painchaud	M4 (40-44)	2/4	2/4	DSQ	2/2	
Women/ Femmes	Cinthia Audet	M6 (50-54)	1/2	1/2	1/3	1/3	1/3
	Hannele Sundberg	M7 (55-59)	5/6	5/6	3/7	4/8	4/9

Complete race results may be found at https://ussamasters.org/2018/nationals#results

7 members of the Canadian delegation ready to throw themselves downhill!



Left to right: Jeff Sutherland, Yves Bonneau, Vincent Renaud, Patrice Painchaud, Terry Hanna, US photo-bomber, Jaime Hugesson, Lloyd Sevack.

Absent: Hannele Sundberg, Cinthia Audet, Serge Martin, Denis Lizotte

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02/13/2018, Sharon Chadwick: The race notice is out for the ON Masters' Championships on 11 March 2018, at Osler Bluff Ski Club, with GS in the morning and SL in the afternoon: Race Notice link here

Competitors are to register through the Race Administer of their home club and then make payment to the Race Administrator (Jane Thomson) at Osler Bluff Ski Club.

Note: This is a sanctioned event so you require a Master's national or FIS or weekend-event competitor card. Also, a FIS compliant helmet is required for the GS and Osler does not allow soft-eared helmets for the SL.

Master's Competitor Card for Ontario members:

Register online at Alpine Ontario Registration by selecting the Master's National Card (select the 'AOA 2017/18 Season Registration Masters' program) or the Master's FIS Card (select the 'AOA 2017/18 Season Registration (FIS)' program). The Master's National Card is the best option if you intend racing in more than one event – refer to the fee schedule at Alpine Ontario Fee Schedule

Note: It takes approximately 2 weeks from time of payment to seeing your card activated on ACAPoints.ca otherwise follow up with Member Services at AOA.

Masters' Swag:

The new PVC patch and screen-printed neck warmers, with the current Masters' logo, will be available for sale at the ON Masters' Championships.

Mark your Calendars:

The Ontario races are as follows:

FRI, 16-Feb-18, GS, Craigleith Ski Club, Track 3 Friends & Family Race Day <u>track3.org</u> FRI, 09-Mar-18, SG x 2, The Georgian Peaks Club, Super GP Classic SUN, 11-Mar-18, GS & SL, Osler Bluff Ski Club, ON Masters' Championships

Go to the <u>Alpine Canada Masters 2018 Race Calendar</u> page for the full Masters' National calendar including first-ever Masters' Eastern Championships in Stoneham, QC, from 23 – 25 March 2018 and the Masters' National Championships in Panorama, BC, from 30 March to 1 April 2018.

National Championships Registration Now Open

02/02/2018 by Lloyd Sevack: We are pleased to provide details on the Canadian Alpine Masters' National Championships coming to Panorama, BC, from March 29 – April 1, 2018. Below you will find links to all you need, including the race notice, accommodation, etc.

Training will be offered Monday – Wednesday, March 26 – 28; Monday (SL), Tuesday (GS AM / SL PM) and Wednesday (GS AM); all under the watchful eye of our wonderful coach and Technical Adviser, Claudio Berto.

The Championships formally kick off with SG training on Thursday, March 29, (two timed SG runs) and a welcome reception that evening. Racing begins with two SGs on Friday, March 30, followed by the GS on Saturday, March 31, a banquet in the evening, and finishing up with the SL on Sunday, April 1.

These Championships are open to female and male skiers aged 18 (as of December 31, 2017) and over. To race you must be obtain a Canadian Master's national card or a Master's FIS card or Master's weekend event card (not available in AB or BC) through your Provincial Sports Organization (PSO).

Find out all you need to know about training days, event check-in, team captain's meetings, social events and of course the races at https://www.panoramaresort.com/planning/racing-bookings/2018-canadian-alpine-masters/.

Registration: Registration is now open with a fairly simple but 2-step process:

- Although this is not a FIS race, as per the Race Notice
 at https://www.panoramaresort.com/assets/Uploads/Race-Notice-V6.pdf, Panorama has asked that each racer complete their information on the FIS Entry Form and email the form to the Race Administrator, Phyllis Kennedy at https://www.panoramaresort.com/assets/Uploads/Race-Notice-V6.pdf, Panorama has asked that each racer complete their information on the FIS Entry Form and email the form to the Race Administrator, Phyllis Kennedy at https://www.panoramaresort.com/assets/Uploads/Race-Notice-V6.pdf,
- Complete the on-line registration form at https://offers.panoramaresort.com/2018-can-masters-champs.

Friends and family, not competing, can purchase tickets for the banquet only. Plus you can purchase additional lift tickets, with your lodging, for those traveling with you for the event.

Note that payment will only be taken at event check-in.

If you have any questions, please contact racing@panoramaresort.com.

Looking forward to seeing, skiing, and racing with many of you!

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05/17/2018 by Lloyd Sevack: 2018 Eastern Canadian Alpine Masters Championships: The Race Notice is out for the first ever Eastern Masters Championships, being held at Stoneham, QC, March 22-25, 2018. For 4 races (2 SGs, a GS and an SL), register now at https://alpinecanadamasters.racing/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/Race-notice_V_24-12-2017.pdf!

2018 Canadian Masters Alpine Championships: The Race Notice for this premier event, being held at Panorama Resort, BC, March 29-April 1, 2018 will be out very soon! For those interested in getting a sneak peek of the terrain we will be racing on (4 races; 2 SGs, a GS and an SL), see the following videos (shot in the rain) by Claudio Berto, our Technical Advisor on Nov 22, 2017, on what will be our race run:

- Start Hut and elevation of the start on Old Timer https://albertamastersskiclub.smugmug.com/.../Panor.../i-gtfzNWt
- From Start to first roller on Old Timer SG Set
 https://albertamastersskiclub.smugmug.com/.../Panor.../i-FbdZN25
- From Roller to almost the finish line in the distance <u>https://albertamastersskiclub.smugmug.com/.../Panor.../i-RsQDrBK</u>
- Just moved down so you have a better Idea of the finish area https://albertamastersskiclub.smugmug.com/.../Panor.../i-t4ngcrX
- Proposed GS Set on Old Timer <u>https://albertamastersskiclub.smugmug.com/.../Panor.../i-xpW9zfZ</u>
- Slipping the GS course to give a perspective from Start <u>https://albertamastersskiclub.smugmug.com/.../Panor.../i-Fq97NCX</u>
- Second part of the GS to Finish line https://albertamastersskiclub.smugmug.com/.../Panor.../i-5nHDG4B
- FIS Racers coming out of the start and training on the GS course RIGHT SIDE COURSE https://albertamastersskiclub.smugmug.com/.../Panor.../i-tbsjZMv
- FIS racer training on the GS course to the RIGHT https://albertamastersskiclub.smugmug.com/.../Panor.../i-hd8rCHX
- Farther down the slope while a FIS racers is skiing the GS course https://albertamastersskiclub.smugmug.com/.../Panor.../i-VcdNfG7
- FIS racer skiing the LEFT side course from start to part way down https://albertamastersskiclub.smugmug.com/.../Panor.../i-6BSwMV3
- Location of the Slalom Start and showing the slope https://albertamastersskiclub.smugmug.com/.../Panor.../i-LVfxQzB

2018 US Masters National Chapionships: The US Nationals only come to the east every 5 years, this year being one! Registration is now open for this major event being held in the east this year at Okemo, VT, February 6 – 10, 2018.

Schedule: https://https://ussamasters.org/news/2018/Okemo_2018_Nationals_Schedule.pdf Info: https://nemasters.org/masters-nationals/

For Canadians wishing to race only in this US event, a special short-term 4 day license is available; \$20 for all races. First get a temp number by completing the form at https://memberservices1.wufoo.com/forms/r16sahub02x8z1r/
Then register at https://www.skiracereg.com/

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01/17/2018 Sharon Chadwick: Welcome to the 2017/18 season of racing albeit Mother Nature has just given us the big January thaw here on the Niagara escarpment! The conditions over the Holidays were amazing and now this thaw over the past 4 days!!!

Master's Competitor Card:

A reminder to register online at https://registration.alpineontario.ca/default.aspx for the upcoming season by selecting the Master's National Card (select the 'AOA 2017/18 Season Registration Masters' program) or the Master's FIS Card (select the 'AOA 2017/18 Season Registration (FIS)' program). The Master's National Card is the best option if you intend racing in more than one event – refer to the fee schedule at https://www.alpineontario.ca/online-program-registration/alpine-ontario-fees/ Note: A Master's competitor card is required for sanctioned events only and for the two races in the Interclub series if you are an "outsider".

Mark your Calendars:

The Ontario races are as follows:

SAT, 20-Jan-18 10:00 AM, GS, Jozo Weider/Blue Mountain, Interclub Series *

SAT, 03-Feb-18 13:00 PM, SL, Caledon Ski Club, Interclub Series *

FRI, 16-Feb-18, GS, Craigleith Ski Club, Track 3 Friends & Family Race Day https://track3.org/

FRI, 23-Feb-18, GS & SL, Sir Sam's, ON Masters

FRI, 09-Mar-18, SG x 2, The Georgian Peaks Club, Super G Classic

SUN, 11-Mar-18, GS & SL, Osler Bluff Ski Club, ON Masters' Championships **

- * The Interclub races are not sanctioned so the FIS compliant helmet is not required for the GS race; outsiders require the Master's competitor card and to pay a fee of \$60.
- ** Details and dates still to be confirmed.

Go to https://alpinecanadamasters.racing/?page_id=1070&lang=en for the full Masters' National calendar for 2017/18 including first-ever Masters' Eastern Championships in Stoneham, QC, from 23 – 25 March 2018 and the Masters' National Championships in Panorama, BC, from 30 March to 1 April 2018.

The Ottawa Masters' Ski Racing Club holds races every Wednesday night from early January through to March; for more information go to https://www.ottawamasters.ca/

Masters' Training Camps:

Six weeks of slalom training is offered by Fenninger Racing on Tuesday and/or Wednesday evenings, from 09/10 January to 13/14 February, at North York Ski Centre. Registration is open at https://www.fenningerracing.com/forms/16458-Register-for-SL-Training-At-Earl-Bales-2017-18

Helmets:

Alpine Canada Alpin (ACA) released their 2017-18 National Rules & Policies and National Competition documents that all PSOs must adhere to; this stipulates that for all ACA sanctioned Masters' races that helmets must "be in accordance with FIS compliant rules". ACA have interpreted that helmets must be certified to specification ASTM 2040 EN 1077 A and must pass an additional specific test under EN 1077 but at a higher speed of 6.8 m/s. Helmets that meet these requirements contain the non-removable label (under the top gel coat) reading "Conform to FIS Specifications RH 2013".



2018 Alpine Ontario Masters' Team:

SUNDBERG Hannele, F 55-59, Jozo Weider
BOECK Herbert, M 80-84, Chicopee
FENNINGER Lou, M 70-74, Fenninger Racing
WATSON Jim, M 65-69, Fenninger Racing
GIROUX Michel, M 60-64, Jozo Weider
SLABON Karol, M 55-59, Chicopee
DAUB Brian, M 50-54, Chicopee
SHAWYER Scott, M 45-49, TSC
WALKER David, M 40-44, Jozo Weider
PEIRSON Garnet, M 35-39, Milton

See you on the hill and let it snow, let it snow, let it snow!

Sharon Chadwick | ON Masters' Representative

Avalanche Boutique Cup

01/17/2018, Lewis Heilig: The Boutique Avalanche at Mont Ste Anne is pleased to offer a racing circuit for a second consecutive year, the Avalanche Boutique Cup. These races will take place in the greater Quebec City and Lanaudière region during the season, including 5 races and a final event, and all skiers who wish to participate will be welcome.

Overall, there will be 6 age categories for men and 6 for women. Based on a scoring system, participants will accumulate points throughout the season. The cumulative sum of the points will determine the season's overall winners once the final event is held, both in the men and women categories. The more a racer participates, the more likely he or she is to be the overall winner. Medals will be awarded at the end of each race to reward top performers. In addition, prizes worth \$1,000 (suggested retail price) will be awarded as door prizes at the end of each of the first 5 races. For the final event, the door prize value will be \$2,000 (suggested retail price), including a grand prize.

- Race organization provided by each of the participating ski centers. All registration fees are for the ski center. The course set, timing and organization of the races as such are the responsibility of each ski centre.
- 6 Races in all, including 1 final event
 - o Saturday January 13 Massif de Charlevoix
 - Wednesday January 17th Le Relais (evening race)
 - Wednesday, February 7th Stoneham (evening race)
 - o Saturday February 17th Mont Ste-Anne
 - o Saturday, March 10 Montcalm
 - Saturday March 24 Mont Ste-Anne (final)
- One GS course set, 2 runs
- 6 Categories
 - o Men 18-35 years old
 - o Men 36-50 years old
 - o Men 51 and over
 - o Women 18-35 years
 - Women 36-50 years
 - o Women 51 and +
- The combined time of the two runs will determine the first 3 positions of each age category
- Points will be awarded as follows, by class:
 - First position = 5 points
 - Second position = 3 points
 - Third position = 1 point
- The cumulative points for the whole season will determine the final the overall winner for the men and for the women. If the total points are identical by gender, the highest number of first place wins will break the tie. If there is still a tie, the addition of the race times will determine the overall winners.
- Trophies and medals will also be awarded at the end of the final event.
- Registration fees will be charged to each racer.
- Day races will begin at 1:00 pm. Registrations will be from 8: 30 am until noon (12: 00 pm) on the day of each race.
- The evening race will start at 7:30 pm. Registrations will be from 5:30 am until 7:00 pm on the day of the race.
- The Avalanche Boutique at Mont Ste Anne, in collaboration with the Smith, Atomic and Voyage Du Vallon, will be among the main sponsors of this circuit.

Please note that these races do <u>not</u> generate World Cup points for the Alpine Canada Alpin Masters program.