

# Alpine Canada Masters 2023 Newsletter Archives

# Registration Deadline Extended to 6-Mar-23

Adult Racers please note that the deadline for registration for the Super GP Classic on Friday, 10-Mar-23, and the Ontario Masters' Championships on Saturday, 11-Mar-23, at Georgian Peaks, has been extended to Monday, 6-Mar-23.

We require a minimum of 100 entries for the Super G and 60 for the Ontario Championships to run the events; if we do not achieve these participant thresholds, the events will be cancelled.

If you have not entered, please use the links below to register now.

Super GP Classic

Ontario Masters Championships

AOA Master's Weekend Card (Note: Required for Ontario Masters Championships only)

Thanks for your participation!

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# Homestretch for Masters' Racing

### Kimberley FMC Success

The FMC races held from 8-10 February 2023, in Kimberley, were a tremendous success. 73 athletes from eight countries competed in six races on the legendary Dreadnaught speed track. The race conditions, except for six inches of powder on Super-G day, were ideal and the course sets were excellent. Rave reviews have come from FIS Masters of the USA, Switzerland and Chile. All this sets us up to host the 2024 World Criterium once again in Kimberley. Exact dates will be announce shortly after the calendaring meeting in May 2023. We will be asking for early March 2024.

Special thanks go to Scott Zahn for 10 excellent course sets; to Sharon Chadwick who worked tirelessly in the background to ensure we had accurate results for the awards and to Lewis Heilig who organized the medals to make my job as announcer come off without a hitch.

### Remaining races in Canada for the 2023 season

There are four remaining events on the national calendar for the 2023 season.

# Event: Super GP Classic (2 x SG)

When: Friday 10 March 2023 Where: <u>The Georgian Peaks Club</u>

Race notice

# Event: Ontario Masters' Championships (1 x 2-run GS & 1 x 2-run SL)

When: Saturday 11 March 2023 Where: <u>The Georgian Peaks Club</u>

Race notice

The above two events feature four races over two days on the legendary slopes of Georgian Peaks, home to many a National Team athlete; come test your skills on the hills that make racers great.

# Event: Rides of March (2 x SG, 1 x GS, 1 x SL & 1 x Alpine Combined)

When: Friday to Sunday 17-19 March 2023

Where: Nakiska AB

Race notice

This event features five exhilarating races on the prime racing hill Mapmaker, at Nakiska; long, sweeping and high speed that will get the heart racing!

# Event: Ottawa Masters' Finals (1 x 2-run GS & 1 x 2-run SL)

When: Saturday 18 March 2023 Where: Mont Edelweiss Q.C.

The season is running out; make the most of it with these last 11 races!

# Dave Nighswander | President Alpine Canada Masters

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# **Upcoming Events & Registration Deadlines!**

Listed below are the registration **DEADLINES** for upcoming events:

Event: FRiday GS & SL Double Header

When: Friday 17 February 2023 Where: Sir Sam's Ski / Ride

Registration deadline: Midnight, Wednesday, 15 February 2023

Race notice

**Event: FR Night SL** 

When: Tuesday night 17 February 2023 Where: <u>Earl Bales Ski & Snowboard Centre</u>

Registration deadline: Midnight, Sunday, 19 February 2023

Race notice

**Event: Super GP Classic** 

When: Friday 10 March 2023 Where: The Georgian Peaks Club

Registration deadline: Midnight, Tuesday, 28 February 2023 – MINIMUM OF 100 ENTRIES

Race notice

**Ontario Masters' Championships** 

When: Saturday 11 March 2023 Where: The Georgian Peaks Club

Registration deadline: Midnight, Tuesday, 28 February 2023 – MINIMUM OF 60 ENTRIES

Race notice

**Event: Ottawa Masters' Finals** 

When: Saturday 18 March 2023 Where: Mont Edelweiss QC

Note: Any race or event on the National Calendar must have a minimum of 20 Masters registered in order to have World Cup Points awarded.

Sharon Chadwick | Communications Alpine Canada Masters

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# First time experience competing at CMAC

Attention All Masters' Racers!

Intimidated by the thought of competing in this year's Canadian Masters' Alpine Championships (CMAC)? The following article, written by David Star, speaks to his first time experience competing in a national championship event. While it may seem intimidating, David found it to be an incredible experience! Find out for yourself by <u>registering</u> for this year's event to be held at Kimberley BC, from 8-10 February 2023; the entry deadline is 1900 hours MST, Wednesday, 01 February 2023.

Jaime Hugesson | Eastern Canada Director

Stoneham Quebec is where the Canadian Masters' Alpine Championships (CMAC) and the FIS Masters' Cup (FMC) were hosted in 2020 and 2022; an event that every competitive skier must experience.

I went for my first time in 2020. I met Lloyd Sevack at the WWMG in Austria who told me about Stoneham: "It's the Canadian Championships and FIS all rolled into one week of racing". As a Masters' Interclub racer, I had no real idea what this all meant: CMAC & FMC? But one thing I did know is that I love to race and when I heard that I could race the Super-G, giant slalom and slalom, I was all in.

The first time in Stoneham, I just wanted to experience something other than Masters' Interclub racing on The Escarpment. The title and the program did not mean all that much to me as I had only been racing competitively since the 2017/18 season. Before that I only skied at my home club and took my kids to their SOD U12-U18 races and I was a coat runner! Those years I did not know the difference between slalom and GS, I just made it clear to my kids what time we leave for their races and that they need to make sure that they had all their equipment (fortunately, they always had the right stuff). After they were done with racing, I was approached by one of the parents at my club The Heights Ski & Country Club to see if I wanted to race; my answer, without any hesitation, was "where, when and how". The rest is history!

I cannot imagine myself skiing alone at the club weekend after weekend any longer; to me the ski season will not be complete without some racing. The truth of the matter is now I want to race at every event I can find.

So without any reservation, I have to say that Stoneham is the ultimate race experience in the East. I jump into my car and drive 8 hours, located 20 minutes north of Quebec City and ski on one of my all-time favourite ski hills. The hill is higher than anything on the Escarpment with a ski vertical of 345 metres, plus the slope on the race hill is 35 degrees and breathtaking.

If you know about Masters' alpine racing you know that ages range from 18+ to 80+ so watching all participants is inspiring. Masters are a social and physical group of like-minded individuals who are passionate about the sport. To be part of this amazing seasonal lifestyle, one only has to make the decision to try and participate, all the rest will happen. The most exciting moment is standing in the starting gate and hearing "Racer Ready"!

Note: Every two years, the CMAC & FMC event is alternated between East and West so 2023 is being held in Kimberley BC.

Ski U There!

David Star | Ontario Representative Alpine Canada Masters

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# Last Chance to Register for 2023 CMAC & FMC

Attention all Masters' Racers:

Final call to all Masters' racers to register for the 2023 Canadian Masters' Alpine Championships (CMAC) & FIS Masters' Cup (FMC) being held from 8-10 February 2023, in Kimberley BC. The deadline for race entry is 1900 hours MST, Wednesday, 01 February 2023; registration and cost details are on the <u>race notice</u>.

The annual Masters' <u>online auction</u> will be held during the 2023 CMAC & FMC event. The auction opens at 1900 hours MST, Wednesday, 01 February 2023, just as registration closes. More items will be added during this week, however, the <u>online auction</u> site is open for preview with bidding starting at 7pm MST on 01-Feb-23.

See you at Kimberley.

Dave Nighswander | President Alpine Canada Masters

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# 2023-02-05 GS Race at OHSC

Calling all QC Masters:

A 2-run GS race is being held on Sunday, 5 February 2023, at <u>Owl's Head Ski Club</u> (OHSC), however, as a SQA sanctioned race one must have an active SQA national card on <u>AlpinePoints.ca</u>

There will be no official race notice published by OHSC; participants wishing to register must send an email to Anne Couture on <a href="mailto:president@clubdeskiowlshead.com">president@clubdeskiowlshead.com</a> stating your desire to participate.

The race is open to anyone who can prove to OHSC, before Thursday, 2 February 2023, that they hold an active SQA race card.

Participants must purchase their own one-day lift ticket directly from Owl's Head ski centre; there is no cost for the race.

The race results will be available the following week for publication on the Alpine Canada Masters website.

Note: A minimum of 20 Masters must be registered in order to have World Cup Points awarded.

# Lewis Heilig | Québec Representative Alpine Canada Masters

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# **Upcoming Races in Ontario**

### **Ontario Masters' Championships**

The <u>race notice</u> is out for the Ontario Masters' Championships being held on Saturday, 11 March 2023, hosted by <u>The Georgian Peaks Club</u>. The event is a 2-run giant slalom race followed by a 2-run slalom race. AOA medals will be awarded for overall combined, by age categories. The Champion of Champions trophy is awarded to first female and first male overall, on a handicap basis. Bib draws will be held at the awards ceremony following the races.

The cost is \$80 for the two disciplines or \$65 for one discipline, plus \$45 for the lift ticket for non-Georgian Peaks members.

All racers must hold a current Masters' National or FIS or Weekend-Event competitor card as this is an AOA sanctioned event; competitors must be registered on <u>AlpinePoints.ca</u> except for US competitors. AOA competitor cards can be purchased at <u>Alpine Ontario SnowReg</u>.

The entry deadline is **Tuesday, 28 February 2023**, with a minimum of 60 entries required to proceed with the event. However, we are expecting approximately 80-100 racers so don't procrastinate and register as soon as you are able.

All registered racers will receive a pair of ski straps and screen-printed neck warmers, with the current Masters' logo.

# **Super GP Classic**

The much loved and fun Super GP Classic is back on Friday, 10 March 2023, at <u>The Georgian Peaks Club</u>. The event is two Super-G races with the first being a team race followed by an individual race. Cost and details can be found on the <u>race notice</u> with an entry deadline of **Tuesday, 28 February 2023**; the event is confirmed with 100+ entries.

### Other upcoming ON races on the National Calendar

FRI, 17-Feb-23, GS & SL, Sir Sam's, FRiday GS & SL Double Header \* TUE, 21-Feb-23, SL, Earl Bales Ski Centre, FR Night Slalom \* \* AOA sanctioned event.

### Canadian Masters' Alpine Championships (CMAC) & FIS Masters' Cup (FMC)

The entry deadline of **1900 hours MST, Wednesday, 01 February 2023**, for CMAC & FMC, being held in Kimberley BC, is fast approaching so <u>register</u> today as your home club needs to send your FIS entry form to your PSO and then onto ACA!

### World Cup Points (WCP)

Masters' World Cup Points are awarded for all races on the National Calendar. Ski U at the Super GP Classic and the Ontario Masters' Championships!

### **David Star | Ontario Representative**

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# Welcome to New Ontario Representative

Please join me in welcoming David Star to the Masters' <u>National Committee</u> as the Ontario Representative. David started Masters' racing approximately five years ago and has since become a very active member of our racing community. Over the last three years he has racked up 22 FIS Masters' Cup starts in addition to countless local races. I am confident he will be a strong contributor to the Committee as we roll out both our provincial and national programs. I am looking forward to working with David as he brings his energy and enthusiasm to the role.

Jaime Hugessen | Eastern Canada Director

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