

Northern Cup



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Teck Northern Cup #4 / Chris Dahlie Open

Sunday Feb.16, 2020



The Bulkley Valley Cross Country Ski Club hosted the 4th Teck Northern Cup of the season on Sunday Feb.16 to a group of nearly 80 enthusiastic skiers eager to push themselves on some of the challenging features of the course. Temperatures were perfect at just below zero with intermittent snowing and sun at various times. The race format was classic mass start, so waxing for appropriate grip and glide was on everyone's minds. Although the registrants were primarily from our club, we had entrants travel from Houston (Morice Mtn. Nordic Ski Club), Vanderhoof (Nechako Nordics) and Prince George (Caledonia Nordic Ski Club) to join the competition.

It's always cute to see the littlest racers vary between focused determination and adorable dawdling along the trails, often accompanied by a parent. Eventually, they will become the next generation of competitive racers, and so for now, the older racers look back nostalgically at what they once were as well. Some age groups were well-populated, others sparsely so.





The club appreciates the sponsorship by Teck Resources Limited for this series of races, providing financial support to the sport and awards for the racers. As always, volunteers make this event tick along with incredible attention to detail, from the parent coaches in helping to get the young skiers ready for racing via physical and mental preparation, to the waxers, to the logistical team of registration, course set-up, timing, results, announcements and grooming, etc. and the kitchen headquarters helping nourish and replenish the spent skiers afterwards. Thanks to all involved!

Next up: The Wetzin'kwa Loppet on Saturday, March 14, also known as the "Candy Race" to the kids for the refueling stations set up around the marathon route. Consider joining in this fun season finale!

For full results, check here: <http://zone4.ca/results.asp?id=9460&cat=all>

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Cross Country BC (CCBC), the provincial sport governing body for cross country skiing in British Columbia, is a not-for-profit, club-based organization of more than 18,000 members. CCBC offers programs and services to support the continuous development of cross country skiing for all ages and abilities, from introductory experiences to international excellence.

Teck Resources Limited is the title sponsor of CCBC's Skier Development Program, thereby supporting excellence in sport and providing youth with experiences that will help them prepare for the for the future. For more information on Cross Country BC, please visit www.crosscountrybc.ca.