

# U14 Weekly Update February 14th

Our group of athletes had amazing training volume last weekend, both on Whistler and Blackcomb. While I was out due to injury (back soon!), the group trained a variety of elements: GS gliding, start practice, SL combinations, SL drills for dynamic skiing, and full courses. Conditions have been ideal and served as a much-needed reminder to prepare our equipment accordingly – this means SHARP SKIS!

This upcoming training block is a busy one, with various training elements:

- Club Race on Saturday, February 17
- Mid-Season Skills Assessment on Saturday, February 17
- Goal Setting Follow-Up Homework
- Parents Tuning Session with coach Scott bring skis, vices, and tuning kit on February 17

#### Look for the \*Action Items\* below!

# **Goal Setting Homework (due February 19)**

Please fill out <u>this Form</u> as a follow-up to our pre-season Goal Setting. Connection Coaches will connect with athletes on-hill during the February 22-25 training block to review the answers.

### **Meeting Times and Locations**

Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup>

**Discipline**: GS (race simulation with timing and bibs for the first 2 runs)

**Equipment**: GS Skis and Poles, Back Protector, Arm Guards (optional), Speed Suit **Upload**: 8:15am with public (athletes may upload from Fitz or Creekside Gondola)

Meeting Location: 8:45am at Garbo Hut (top of Garbanzo Chair)

Finish: 2:30pm

Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup>

**Discipline**: GS (race simulation with timing and bibs for the first 2 runs)

Equipment: GS Skis and Poles, Back Protector, Arm Guards (optional), Speed Suit, Training Bib

**Upload**: 8:15am with public (athletes may upload from Fitz or Creekside Gondola)

Meeting Location: 8:45am at Garbo Hut (top of Garbanzo Chair)

Finish: 2:30pm

Dryland: 3-4pm at the WMSC Club Cabin for indoor/outdoor dryland, weather dependent

Saturday, February 17<sup>th</sup> – CLUB RACE (panel-SL dual)

Discipline: SL

Equipment: SL Skis, Regular Poles, Back Protector, Arm Guards (optional), Speed Suit

**Upload**: 7:45am at the Fitzsimmons Chair for early upload

Meeting Location: 8:15am at Garbo Hut

Finish: 2pm

**Dryland:** 3-4pm at the Whistler Racket Club for a mix of outdoor dryland and pickleball **Parent Tuning Session:** 4:45-5:45pm at the WMSC Lounge (this is a hands-on session; bring skis, vices, and tuning kit)

If time permits, the group will go through our mid-season Skills Assessment after the club race. If not, this will be covered on Sunday.

### Sunday, February 18th

**Discipline**: GS (race simulation with timing and bibs for the first 2 runs)

Equipment: GS Skis and Poles, Back Protector, Arm Guards (optional), Speed Suit, Training Bib

**Upload**: 7:45am at the Fitzsimmons Chair for early upload

Meeting Location: 8:15am at Garbo Hut

Finish: 2pm

For athletes signed up to the Big White Skier Cross race in March – you will be joining Dave Duncan and Ryan Webster for a day of ski cross training! Bring all the same equipment as listed above.

- Lead/follow open GS training
- Skier proximity drills
- Air awareness and reading a feature
- Tactics and best practices

# Races, Events and Links

#### Club Race | Saturday, February 17<sup>th</sup>

Come watch, cheer on, slip the course! This event will consist of a team panel SL dual. Teams will be a mix of athletes from all age groups, with a FIS athlete leader. If your athlete hasn't registered yet, they will be given a team the day-of.

# U14 Cypress Race Update | March 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> \*action\*

It is official, the Cypress Zone Race is cancelled. If you have booked accommodation in the city, please go ahead and cancel it.

- The Zone Race will instead take place <u>here in Whistler</u> on March 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- The registration fee will be different than what you originally registered for; stay tuned for the updated trip sheet.
- The balance will be credited to racer accounts.
- If your athlete was NOT originally registered but now would like to PARTICIPATE, please register them using the link below:

**Register Here** 

Deadline February 23 at midnight

### New App \*action\*

The Club has now launched a new app – the WMSC Racer Account App. It is available for download on the Apple Store and Google Play. Experience a new level of convenience as you stay connected with your racer's schedule and receive important updates from the Club. Key features include: Event Schedule, Club-Wide Notifications, Easy Registration Process.

#### Reminders

#### **Weekly Communication**

- Weekly Update Sent to Parents (Team Pages) and Athletes (WhatsApp) each Wednesday.
- Reminders and Last-Minute Updates Sent to Parents (Coach Updates WhatsApp).

The Weekly Updates are always saved under U14 Program > Documents or your reference.

### **Extra Training Days**

All athletes attending an extra training day MUST be registered in advance. Register before the Sunday of each week: <u>U14 Program > Extra Training Days</u>.

# WhatsApp Groups

- U14 Parent Group Chat join HERE.
- U14 Coach Updates join HERE.

#### **Athletes' Videos**

Click Here to view videos: <u>U14 Videos</u>

### **Important Dates**

- Feb 17<sup>th</sup> | Club Race
- Feb 18th | Kvitfjell Downhill Party from 4-6pm at the WMSC Lounge (\$20 per person)
- Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> | BC Winter Games now Apex Race
- March 2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> | U14 Cypress Zone Race
- March 7<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> | U14/U16 Big White SX
- March 23<sup>rd</sup> | U14 Spaghetti Dinner at the WMSC Club Cabin

Thank you!

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