

Artemis Anglo Scottish Cup 2018

Thursday 4 January – Sunday 7 January

ASC Race Bulletin, 31 December 2017

WELCOME TO CREVACOL

We have an entry of roughly 170 with 110 BASS racers (U14/U16) and 60 Bairns (U10/U12). The race organisers are delighted to welcome all competitors to Crevacol on the Italian side of the Grand Saint Bernard tunnel.

All races will take place under the top chairlift. There are only two chairlifts so that simplifies the plan. The resort has a large free carpark but be aware that the altitude is 1640m so snow tyres are essential. Any available training in Crevacol from 1st to 3rd January will be shared by all teams and ASC competitors.

The race programme will be published in a final bulletin on Tuesday 3rd January with start lists for Thursday 4th January. Start lists for U14 and U16 will be drawn prior to the TCMs for efficiency and will be available on gbski.com the night before each race.

Provisionally, we expect to run BASS start times at 1000 and 1200, and the Bairns will most likely start at 1300 for their two continuous runs.

0845 is the public opening time for the bottom chairlift. On race days this chair will open at 0815 with priority for U14/U16 racers and coaches.

Change to event schedule

The Jury has decided to change the programme because of snowfall forecast for Thursday 4th January. The first race will now be Slalom for all ages, with stubby slalom for the Bairns. Depending on the updated forecast the rest of the schedule will be advised on 3rd January, but the first races will now definitely be slaloms for everybody.

Team Captains' Meetings and Medals

The first TCM will take place at 1730 on Wednesday 3rd January at the British Ski Academy base: Hotel Miage, Pont Suaz 252, Charvensod 11020, AOSTA, Italy. Doors open to team captains at 1700 for drinks. (Please park below the Miage once the carpark is full.)

Bibs will be available at the first TCM and also from the start area of each day's event. Race bibs for all event will be collected at the end of the second run in the event finish area.

Outside the main restaurant, between the two chairlifts, we will hold medal ceremonies and then TCMs as soon as possible after each day's racing. Medals will be awarded each day for boys and girls to 6th place per age group at BASS level for combined times, and to 5th place per age group for the Bairns for just their fastest time.

The fastest 12 bairns and 8 lassies overall (born 2006 to 2009) on Saturday 6th January will be invited to race as a group at the start of the full BASS event on Sunday 7th January. Gold, silver and bronze medals to be awarded to the fastest bairn and lassie Pocket Rocket.

For those not attending the TCMs, any questions not answered in the bulletins should be addressed to Malcolm Erskine tel + 44 (0) 7970 495533 britskiacad@hotmail.com

Gatekeepers – URGENT – please volunteer

Many thanks to the handful of lovely parents who have volunteered to gatekeep the BASS events. **Help!** We are still far short of the necessary roster to host the races. Gatekeepers will receive heartfelt thanks and 50 euros per day to cover lunch and lift pass. Anyone able to help, please email which days you are available to Malcolm at britskiacad@hotmail.com

Catsuits for Bairns – U12s only – but only if the weather is fine

Under no circumstance will U10 racers be allowed to wear catsuits for these early season races. The TCMs will consider the forecast each day and discuss whether or not to allow the U12s to compete in catsuits. The Jury decision will then follow. However, please note: be sensible and be ready; racers arriving at the start in catsuits will not be permitted to leave the gate if the weather is foul.

Hiking

Racers, don't hike! If you come out of a race course, either by falling or simply losing control, you are not entitled to climb up to resume your run. Hiking is illegal in BASS Giant Slalom and only allowed in Slalom if it can be done without impeding the next racer. Where U14 racers are concerned it should be noted that each separate race run is a separate BASS seeding event. And the U10 and U12 racers discard their worst run each day anyway.

Conduct

The resort have asked that competitors ski in a safe manner on the public pistes, or with due regard for the safety and enjoyment of other hill users. In particular please slow down well before joining the lift queue. Racers caught skiing dangerously may be excluded from the races. Keep ski-passes with you. No ticket, no lift. And finally, please, no littering.

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Malcolm Erskine, chief of champs

Phil Brown and Malcolm, chiefs of race

Deb Manns, chief of calcs

David Manns, chief gatekeeper

Ailsa Whitelaw, start referee

Derek Metters, BCR competition rules, GB technical delegate.

Dominic Erskine, race convenor

BASS racers are reminded that helmets for **giant slalom** must conform to GB rules, i.e. no soft sides, soft vents, and remove slalom chin guard.