

Scottish Dry Slope Ski Championships

REPORT

Contrary to the weather forecast the weather on the Saturday was outstanding with sunshine and little wind the day went off with all in great spirits. The rain from the night before kept the slope damp and made fast and very competitive racing.

The non-Scot's at the event could not leave without getting a taste of real Scottish weather so on Sunday we turned on the wind and rain. The intensity of the weather gradually increased during the day but so did the racing, the competition and the athletes' spirits.

Nicole Ritchie was dominant for the girls this weekend taking away the overall Slalom and Giant Slalom trophies with solid performances and bettering many strong and more senior athletes.

It was an all Henderson affair for the boys with **Paul Henderson** taking the overall Slalom trophy despite his older brother Calum displaying his familiar acrobatics on the matt. **Calum Henderson** managed to come back on the Sunday and asserted his strength by taking away the overall Giant Slalom trophy in great style, there is no doubt that Calum was flying this weekend.

For many the Team Dual Slalom is a highlight of the weekend and with the prospect of taking the haggis' away the competition was as fierce as an angry wee haggis!

The **Morris Dancers** won the bronze decider with **West 1** and **Celtic Fringe** going the full distance and needing a third and deciding race to find the winner in the best of three final. Celtic Fringe took the win by a whisker and laid claim to their haggis'.

A big thank you to all the officials and volunteers who put in the time and energy creating an atmosphere and a great event but a special thank you must go out to Neil Walker and Shirley Henderson who put a power of work in and delivered a fantastic championship.

Thank you also to Hillend for facilitating the event and sponsoring the athletes burgers and to Mcsweens for donating the haggis to the dual slalom.

On behalf of Snowsport Scotland thank you for a great weekend of racing and we will see every one in four weeks' time (again at Hillend) for the **British Dry Slope Ski Championships**.

Age Cat	Position	Girl's - Slalom	Boys - Slalom
CH 1	GOLD	Eilidh Ryan	Scott Buchan
	SILVER	Appin Mackay-Champion	Alasdair Sandland
	BRONZE	Rhona Price	Lewis Livingstone
CH 2	GOLD	Francesca Lee	Euan Kick
	SILVER	Kate Taylor	Zak Vinter
	BRONZE	Alison Todd	Fraser Buchan
JN 1	GOLD	Nicole Ritchie (overall)	Paul Henderson (overall)
	SILVER	Keri Anderson	Graeme Price
	BRONZE	Rachael Ferrier	Oscar Ball
JN 2	GOLD	Aileen Patterson	Andrew Davies
	SILVER	Charlotte Gould	Alasdair Thorley
	BRONZE	Sarah Morris	
SEN	GOLD	Carla Gardner	David Hatcher
	SILVER	Emily Goddard	Alistair Stirling
	BRONZE	Emily Dawes	Robert Stirling
Age Cat	Position	Girl's - Giant Slalom	Boys - Giant Slalom
CH 1	GOLD	Eilidh Ryan	Scott Buchan
	SILVER	Alannah Lawrie	Dewar Wright
	BRONZE	Rachael Brown	Tom Crockart
CH 2	GOLD	Francesca Lee	Fraser Buchan
	SILVER	Laura Jackson	Fraser Middleton
	BRONZE	Alison Todd	Duncan Kuwall
JN 1	GOLD	Nicole Ritchie (overall)	Graham Price
	SILVER	Stephanie Davies	Matthew Martin
	BRONZE	Lucy Deller	Ross Taylor
JN 2	GOLD	Charlotte Gould	Euan Ryan
	SILVER	Aileen Patterson	Andrew Davies
	BRONZE	Claire Carson	Sandy McBain
SEN	GOLD		Calum Henderson (overall)
	SILVER		Alistair Stirling
	BRONZE		Robert Stirling