

Telemark Wins First BC Championships Club Trophy Ever at the 2022 Teck BC Championships

March 11, 2022: Team Telemark took home the <u>BC Championships Club Trophy</u> for the first time since the <u>program inception</u> in 1980. The club beat out 16 other clubs with a decisive 13 point lead ahead of Hollyburn Cross Country Ski Club in Vancouver. "This is a really big deal. There are some seriously strong and large clubs in BC. It took a team effort, across most age categories, for Telemark Nordic Club to finally become the Provincial Champion!" said Adam Elliot, Team Telemark Head Coach.

Telemark also took home several <u>BC Cup Series Individual Aggregate Awards</u> with some of the best achievements coming from our youngest and more seasoned team members. Each point contributed to our overall success - truly a team effort! Telemark Aggregate Award winners included a podium sweep in the individual aggregate awards for the U10 Boys with Ryker Ulansky first, Liam Aaserud second, and Benjamin Wilkie third and U10 Girls with siblings Gracie (2013) first and Holly Szabadi second (2012). U12 Boys scored a first with Jake Ulansky (2011) and fourth for Owen Elliot (2010). U12 Girls Kira Aaserud nabbed fifth in her category. U16 Boys scored a third by Finn Redman, U18 Boys second for Garrett Siever and a fourth for Breagh Bridge in U18 Girls. In the Masters Men, John Wilkie also won first place (40-49), and Ben Achtem second (50-59).

The team had some excellent results over the weekend at <u>Caledonia Nordic in the Teck BC</u> <u>Championship</u> races with several finishes on the podium; in the Classic Mass Start Jake & Ryker Ulansky both placed first, Grace Szabadi placed second and Liam Aaserud third; Evan Edwards third, Tess Letailleur second, Loic Letailleur first and Ben Achtem third on the podium in their categories.

The Interval Start Skate race saw our racers also achieve some great results as well with Holly Szabadi placing first, Grace Szabadi second, along with Ryker Ulansky; followed closely by Liam Aaserud second and Mica Letailleur in fourth in the U10 division. Finn Redman placed third and Evan Edwards fourth in the U16 Boys category, and a first place result was achieved by Garrett Seiver in the Boys U18 with a third by Breagh Bridge in the Girls U18. Not to be outdone by our younger racers, coaches Alex Macdonald and Adam Elliot also delivered podium results with a first and third in the Senior Men category.

| Club | Points |
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| Telemark Nordic Club | 78 |
| Hollyburn Cross Country Ski Club | 65 |
| Caledonia Nordic Ski Club | 46 |
| Larch Hills Nordic Society | 45 |
| Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club | 41 |