

## Team Telemark Kicks off Race Season with Podium Wins & Strong Performances

Dec. 21, 2022: A great month of racing for Race Team Telemark starting the season off at competitions across BC and in the US with some impressive podium wins and strong performances. The team includes members of the 2022-23 BC Ski Team (Alessia Galvagno, Finn Redman) and the Nordiq Canada Olympic Development program (Garrett Seiver).

"These events were a great start to the season and I'm really pleased with the results we've seen so far, our racers are well prepared for the busy race season we've got coming up in 2023!" said Adam Elliot, Head Coach Race Team Telemark.

Fifty one cross-country racers registered for the first <u>Teck Okanagan Cup</u> of the season held this past weekend at Revelstoke Nordic. The team enjoyed many podium finishes including gold for Ryker Ulansky (U10 Boys), Callie Washbrook (U10 Girls), Jake Ulansky (U12 Boys), Eva Ball (U12 Girls) and Chase Pighin (U12 Boys).

At the <u>Odlum Brown Biathlon BC Cup #1</u> race of the season in Mt. Washington also this weekend, Summerland's Jasmine Hanry seized double Gold in the Jr. Girls (13-14) and Tamiris McNern was Silver twice. William Bertrand also won twice Silver in Jr. Boys (13 - 14).

At the <u>Sun Valley Idaho US Super Tour</u>, Dec. 8 - 11, Garrett Seiver won gold in the U20 Men's Free 10km with top ten performance by Evan Edwards and Finn Redman. In the U16 and U18 Women's Free 10km events there were some top ten performances by Sophie Bertrand, Breagh Bridge, Alessia Galvagno and Kiara Pighin. The Classic Sprint race saw two podium wins with Finn Redman winning gold in U18 and Garrett Siever placing third in U20. Also, Breagh Bridge placed 4th and Alessia Galvagno 5th in the U18 category Sprint.

With 33 Telemark racers competing at the <u>2022 Nordiq Cup at Sovereign Lake</u>, Western Canada Cup Nov 30 - Dec 4, West Kelowna's Garrett Siever placed third in the 10km Individual Start Classic U20 Men and Evan Edwards placing 4th in the U18 Boys Skate Sprint. Many racers qualified for the semi and quarter finals.

All Canadian race results available on Zone 4.

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