

OISRA SPORTSMANSHIP PROGRAM

Kelsey Hewitt Memorial Race

RACE DETAILS

KELSEY'S RACE – The beginning of a tradition

This is the inaugural running of the Kelsey Hewitt Memorial Race. Kelsey was a fun-loving girl who was not too stuck on formality, so welcome to **Kelsey's Race** – a unique format, multi-league, state wide, season-opening, and fun event. This race is planned to continue in perpetuity, inviting all Oregon racers to get their seasons started with a spirit of camaraderie and good sportsmanship for years to come.

Kelsey, along with her dad, Randy, founded her Grant High School team in 2005, qualified for state in all four of her OISRA years, and made many friends. She went on to race for three seasons at the University of Colorado, and returned to help as an assistant coach during school breaks. She loved to hand out candy to the racers while cheering them on to do their best. After graduation, she skied and worked at resorts in Colorado, Utah, and Wyoming. Kelsey lived a full life in her 25 years and had many passions, although nothing topped her passion for skiing. Tragically, she lost her life while powder skiing in December 2015.

Join us for this race and ignite your passion for skiing and ski racing!

OVERVIEW

- SPONSOR: The OISRA Sportsmanship Program
- RACE DATE: Monday, January 2, 2017
- PLACE: Mt. Hood Meadows, Stadium chair
- INVITED: All OISRA high school racers and all OSSA high school racers
- FORMAT:
 - Dual GS (NASTAR-like, 20 meter turns) courses. One for girls, one for boys
 - Two timed runs
 - Combined time results
 - Places awarded for top 3 girls and top 3 boys
 - Team awards to top girls and top boys teams

RACE REGISTRATION

- START ORDERS DEADLINE: Thursday evening, 6 PM, December 29, 2016
- ENTRY FEE:
 - OISRA racers \$0 (yes, free, included in your OISRA registration)
 - Non-OISRA racer \$10 (indemnity insurance coverage)
- PROTOCOL for registering:
 - OISRA coaches email start order for all racers to: archerhit@frontier.com
 - Seed racers by their approximate ability order
 - Girls in one list, boys in another
 - Use Excel spreadsheet (see attached)
 - Non-OISRA coaches follow this link: <http://www.oisra.org/alpine/online-registration.html>

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RACE DAY

- EARLY LOAD AT 8:00 AM (or 8:30, Meadows discretion) for course setters and start/finish workers
- COURSE INSPECTION: 9:00 AM – 9:45 AM
- FORERUNNERS: 9:50 AM
- FIRST RUN BEGINS: 10:00 AM
- 30-minute course redress/maintenance between 1st-2nd run
- SECOND RUN BEGINS 12:30 PM
- AWARDS CEREMONY: Approximately 2:30 PM

COURSE OFFICIATING

- All 3 leagues that train and race on Mt. Hood will share the course duties and officiating.
 - Girls blue course – Hosted by Mt. Hood League
 - Girls red course – Hosted by Metro League
 - Boys blue and red course – Hosted by Three Rivers League
- NO PROTESTS: Re-runs will be allowed at the sole discretion of the finish referee (in consultation with the start referee) in instances of interference or failure to capture a valid time.
- BIB RULES:
 - Bibs worn in racer fashion when inside the race arena
 - Bibs turned in at the end of the second run (They will be used for many years).
 - Missing bibs will accrue a \$25 fee to be paid by the team to which it was issued.

COSTUME CONTEST and AWARDS

A costume contest will be encouraged with t-shirts given to the team that exhibit the most enthusiastic, team-spirit, costumes. Similarly, one boy and one girl will be chosen as individual winners of the costume contest. The costume contest will be officiated by the Sportsmanship League Leaders from the OISRA leagues.

Awards for race performance and the costume contest will be held outdoors approximately 30 minutes after the finish of the race, in or near the finish arena, with the use of an outdoor speaker system.