

2018 PARA U12 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

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Tussey Mountain Alpine Racing Team



TUSSEY MOUNTAIN
March 2 – March 4, 2018



Dear PARA Racer,

Congratulations! Your racing results have qualified you for an invitation to the **2018 PARA U12 State Championships presented by Eclipse Resources** and hosted by the Tussey Mountain Alpine Racing Team and the Pennsylvania Alpine Racing Association.

The weekend long event will be held at **Tussey Mountain**, Friday, March 2, 2018 thru Sunday, March 4, 2018. An optional SkillsQuest Tournament will be held on Friday, March 2 followed by three Slalom runs on Saturday, March 3 and three Giant Slalom runs on Sunday, March 4.

If you cannot participate, notify your PARA Regional Chair immediately! The final racer start list will close at 6pm on Wednesday, February 28, 2018.

The results from the races at this event will be used to select the following:

PARA U12 State Team	10 girls and 10 boys
U12 Future Stars Festival Gore Mtn Resort, North Creek, NY	Quota: 10 girls, 10 boys March 24-25, 2018
Francis Piche' Invitational Gunstock Ski Club, Gunstock, NH	Quota: 11 girls, 11 boys March 14-18, 2018

The top finishing girls and top finishing boys will be invited to represent PARA at the Future Stars Festival and/or the Francis Piche Invitational. Due to the importance of skill development at the U12 level, PARA strongly encourages all State team members to attend the Future Stars Festival. Please be prepared to make a decision as to whether or not you will attend if you qualify. If you decide not to attend or fail to meet the announced registration deadline, your spot will be forfeited and offered to the next racer on the list.

Registration and Events

REGISTRATION: Race Registration is available at adminskiracing.com.

For each racer, the registration fee will cover the following:
Two days of racing and the optional SkillsQuest Tournament on Friday
Racer lunch Saturday and Sunday
Saturday evening banquet at the Tussey Mountain Lodge
Commemorative sweatshirt and 2018 Race Bib

The \$150 registration fee does NOT include lift tickets. Racer lift tickets are \$41 per day and are bundled with the registration fee when registering at adminskiracing.com. A discount is offered for the 3-day ticket. SkiPA Snowpass or any other lift ticket promotion not valid for racers.

BANQUET: Saturday evening Banquet includes a dinner buffet. The cost is included in each racer's registration fee. Families, friends, and coaches must purchase their banquet tickets at adminskiracing.com (see Seasonal Banquets section). **Tickets will not be sold at the door or at the morning race registration.** Cost is \$29 per person age 12 and older, \$25 for children 11 and under.

SCHEDULE: The attached schedules are tentative and will be confirmed each race day based on conditions and weather. You are responsible for verifying start times and locations on the day of the race.

VOLUNTEERS: TMART has generously provided the venues, core organizational and administrative volunteers as well as the financial sponsorship necessary to host this race. That said it is incumbent upon each club to provide adequate race day hill volunteers (parents of racers). Each race team represented is required to have a number of volunteers proportionate to the number of racers. Please coordinate this effort with parents from your club. Certified gate judges qualify for a complimentary lift ticket for their racer. PLEASE PLAN AHEAD AND PLEASE VOLUNTEER (note: the race cannot begin without the appropriate number of hill volunteers). Volunteer signup can be done by following the link <http://www.timetosignup.com/tmart/folder/5428> We will need all of your help to make this an enjoyable weekend for you and your athletes!

AWARDS: Slalom (Top 8 Females and Males); Giant Slalom (Top 8 Females and Males); Overall (Top Female and Top Male); SkillsQuest Tournament (Top 5 Females and Males); For SkillsQuest, cumulative points from skill judging will determine standings. For SL and GS, **New World Cup Points** earned from the three runs will determine discipline standings. Total **New World Cup Points** from all six runs will determine overall standings.

Qualification for the State Team and invitations to the Piche' Invitational and Future Stars Festival will be determined by **New World Cup Points** based on the **TOTAL OF THE FINISHES OF ALL SIX RUNS** or as determined by circumstances and conditions (weather, snow, etc). (See PARA/USSA comp guides for explanation of New World Cup Points.)

TENTATIVE EVENT SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, March 2, 2018:

SkillsQuest Tournament (optional)

The SkillsQuest Tournament tests an athlete's fundamental skiing skills. Although optional, it is a recognized third event in the U12 State Championships.

9:00 AM – 10:15 AM	Registration: Tussey Mountain Lodge - 2nd Floor
10:30 AM	Meet at base of Tuscarora (Be on time. Late arrivals not accommodated)
10:45 AM - 1:00 PM:	Testing – 3 Stations
1:00 PM - 1:30 PM:	Lunch
1:30 PM - 3:45 PM:	Testing – 3 Stations

Obtain coaches lift tickets at registration

Lunch: Racers are responsible for their own lunches.

Awards: Awards for 1st – 5th place, Male and Female (presented Sunday)

SATURDAY, March 3, 2018: Slalom

7:30 AM – 8:30 AM	Registration: Tussey Mountain Lodge-2 nd Floor
8:00 AM	Coaches Meeting: Tussey Mountain Lodge-Bar area <i>(Obtain coaches lift tickets at course setting or at coaches meeting)</i>
8:00 AM	Gate Judge Meeting: Tussey Mountain Lodge-Bar area <i>(Obtain gate judge lift tickets at gate judge meeting)</i>
8:15 AM – 9:00 AM	First Run Course Inspection: “Tuscarora” .
9:30 AM	First Run – Second run will immediately follow
BREAK	Re-set for third run and lunch for racers at Tussey Mountain Lodge. Racer must be wearing their commemorative bibs to be served.
TBD	Third Run Course Inspection: “Tuscarora”
TBD	Third Run

TENTATIVE EVENT SCHEDULE (cont'd)

6:00 PM Banquet for Racers and Families:
Tussey Mountain Lodge
Racer cost included in registration fee. For families, friends, & coaches, cost is \$29 per person age 12 and older, \$25 for children 11 and under. There will be a cash bar.

Banquet tickets for family, friends & coaches MUST be purchased in advance on adminskiracing.com. No ticket sales at the door or at morning registration.

Prize Drawings (racers must be present to win)

Tussey Lodge will close at 4pm so that they may prepare for the banquet. Will re-open at 6pm for cash bar.

SUNDAY, March 4, 2018: Giant Slalom

8:00 AM Coaches Meeting: Tussey Mountain Lodge-Bar area
(Obtain coaches lift tickets at course setting or at coaches meeting)

8:00 AM Gate Judge Meeting: Tussey Mountain Lodge-Bar area
(Obtain gate judge lift tickets at gate judge meeting)

8:15 AM – 9:00 AM First Run Course Inspection: **“Tuscarora”**

9:30 AM First Run – Second run will immediately follow

BREAK Re-set for third run and lunch for racers at Tussey Mountain Lodge. Racer must be wearing their commemorative bibs to be served.

TBD Third Run Course Inspection: **“Tuscarora”**

TBD Third Run

3:00 pm **AWARDS CEREMONY:** Tussey Mountain Lodge

Miscellaneous Information

Rules & Regulations:

Race Bibs will be provided in your Registration Package for use at Friday's optional SkillsQuest Tournament and Saturday and Sunday's Races. **(You must have your bib to start.)**

All Racers must stage their **equipment** in the designated "staging area" at the top of the race hill. No equipment is permitted in the race arena. **Please do not block skier traffic. For safety and to allow ski patrol access you must rack your skis when in lodge.**

Helmets are required per USSA Rules.

Other Information:

1. The scoreboard is unofficial.
2. Poor sportsmanship/use of inappropriate language will be dealt with as per USSA rules.
3. All protests must be filed in writing by **coaches** and must be accompanied by the proper fee. **Parents are not to approach Race Officials or Gate Judges regarding any issues.** Questions or protests must be directed to your coaches, who will approach the appropriate Race Officials.
4. Trophies and Medals will be awarded to the **top 8 male and female finishers** for Slalom and Giant Slalom.
5. Trophies will be awarded to the top overall Female and Male racer.
6. New World Cup points will be used to score each run.
7. Medals will be awarded to the top 5 male and female scores in the SkillsQuest Tournament.
8. State Teams will be determined based on New World Cup points from each of the racers' six runs. Any ties will be broken using the inside/outside method.
9. Complimentary coaches' lift tickets will be issued not to exceed three per team. Available at course setting or at registration.

Location & Accommodations

Venue: Tussey Mountain, 301 Bear Meadow Rd., Boalsburg, PA 16827

Banquet: Tussey Mountain Lodge

Lodging choices, from budget to full service, are available in State College. Please consider TMART's Gold Medal sponsor: The Country Inn & Suites on College Ave (814-234-6000) which is very convenient to Tussey, restaurants, and other attractions. Use code "TMART" when booking.

Apres Ski - Edge's Pub located on the second floor of the lodge



Questions, please contact Jeff Brock, TMART Race Administrator at president@tusseyskiteam.com

Tussey Mountain Alpine Racing Team

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