

PARA J1-2 Chair Report
2011-2012 Season

PA Cup Series and State Team

Fifty-eight female and seventy-six male athletes competed in the PA Cup this season. PA Cup races were hosted by Seven Springs (2SL), Blue Mountain (2GS and 1SL) and Elk Mountain (2GS and 1SL).

At the conclusion of the last PA Cup race at Elk Mountain on February, 26, 2012, the PARA J1-2 State Team was named, the PA Cup Champions were crowned and the winner of the of the Frank Sheibley Memorial Award was announced. The 2012 J1-2 State Team includes the top seven ranked female and top eleven ranked male athletes based on final PA Cup results following the conclusion of PA Cup #8.

2012 PARA State Team

J1-2 Women

Kylee Turko	BMRA	1993
Liza Legro	SRRC	1995
Robin Derr	TMART	1996
Indiana E. Jones	BMRA	1995
Kailey A. Joyce	WPRC	1995
Devon Patrice Salasin	BMRA	1996
Celine Marlin-Andrews	BMRA	1995

J1-2 Men

Thomas R. Steinbach	SNO	1994
Kyle Wakeen	SRRC	1993
Mackenzie De Carle	TMART	1994
Chance Snyder	PASEF	1993
Cameron Hoffman	WTSEF	1994
Ryan Baker	BMRA	1993
Nicholas T. Franssen	SNO	1994
Dakota Detwiler	SRRC	1995
Matthew Riggi	EMSC	1993
Ian Greenland	BMRA	1995
Bergen Tindall	EMSC	1994

The 2012 PA Cup Champions are Kylee Turko (BMRA) and Thomas Steinbach (SNO).

The winner of the 2012 Frank Sheibley Memorial Award is Indiana Jones (BMRA). The Frank Sheibley Memorial Award is determined by the PARA Executive Board and presented each year to the J1 or J2 athlete who demonstrates the qualities of character and dedication to the sport of alpine ski racing in PARA.

Post-Season Competition

Eastern USSA Finals: The first post-season event was the Eastern USSA Finals held at Okemo, VT from March 4 through March 7. The event included SG training followed by SL, GS and SG races. Seven women and twelve men attended, with coaches Steve Antal, Curt Schramm, Patrick Neville and Chris Antal. The USSA penalty points at Okemo were as follows:

Women

SL	94.10
GS	95.73
SG	145.70

Men

SL	75.78
GS	82.95
SG	139.04

PARA athletes achieved solid results at the Eastern USSA Finals, with several Top-30 finishes including three Top-15 finishes. For the PARA women, Celine Marlin-Andrews finished 22nd in SL, 29th in GS and 15th in SG; Indiana Jones placed 27th in GS; and Robin Derr took 13th in SG. Among the PARA men, Dakota Detwiler finished 17th in SL and 22nd in SG; and Chance Snyder placed 28th in GS and scored a 10th place in SG.

FIS NJR Junior Championships: The next post-season event was the FIS NJR Junior Championships held at Whiteface, NY from March 9 through March 13. The event included SL and GS races. Three PARA athletes attended this event. The FIS penalty points at Whiteface were as follows:

Women

SL	60.72
GS	51.37

Men

SL	49.83
GS	42.30

Top-30 results at Whiteface this year included Kylee Turko placing 11th in SL and 26th in GS, and Thomas Steinbach finishing 25th in SL.

USSA Eastern High School Championships: The last post-season event was the USSA Eastern High School Championships, held at Attitash Bear Creek, NH from March 9 through 11. The event included one day of training followed by SL and GS races. The USSA penalty points were as follows:

Women

SL	83.42
GS	93.67

Men

SL	71.93
GS	88.56

Eighteen women and eighteen men attended the event, with coaches Gus Picariello, Mark Symancek, Steve Antal and Curt Schramm. This is a team racing event and PARA sent four teams: a 10-racer PA women's team; a 12-racer PA men's team, an 8-racer DCVA women's team and a 6-racer DCVA men's team.

Over 200 athletes participated in this event from High Schools in the Northeastern and Midwestern United States. The PA and DCVA team results were 8th for the PA women, 9th for the PA men, 9th for the DCVA women and 10th for the DCVA men. There also were several Top-30 individual finishes. Mackenzie De Carle finished 8th in SL and 23rd in GS. Celine Marlin-Andrews placed 21st in SL and 26th in GS; Indiana Jones finished 27th in GS and Valerie Huber took 28th place in SL.

Throughout the 2012 post-season, all of our PARA athletes competed hard and acquitted themselves well.

FIS Racing

In addition to the post-season events, PARA has a small number of quotas available for J1-2 athletes at developmental FIS GS and SL races throughout the east. These races present FIS racing opportunities, before and after the PA Cup season, for those athletes that seek to establish an FIS profile. Coaches are encouraged to study the Eastern USSA Regional Calendar each fall and contact the J1-2 Chair if you believe there are opportunities for your J1-2 racers that are ready to take advantage of developmental FIS races.