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## "Western Regionals Begin New Era In Junior Racing" . . . HARRINGTON

Five out of six of the Mt. Mansfield Junior skiers, who had already been named to the Vermont Team, made the Western Regional Team following two days of intensive racing here at Stowe. Only Kenny Biedermann did not qualify for the 18 boy, 8 girl squad that will now compete in the Junior Eastern Championships, March 1, 2, and 3.

Named by Bill Harrington to the Western Regional Team were the following:

Boys--Tom Leonard, Gore Mountain, N.Y.; Brad Kennison, Madonna Mountain; John Goodhue, Mt. Snow; John Travis, Northwood School, N.Y.; Ron Biedermann, Mt. Mansfield; T.R. Ryan, Killington; Ron LaMontagne, Stratton Mountain; Sean Dever, Mt. Mansfield; Chuck Morgan, Northwood School; Dave Hazlett, Mt. Mansfield; Roby Politi, Northwood School; Bucky Kashiwa, Old Forge, N.Y.; Steve Murphy, Mt. Mansfield; Tom Acker, Pico Peak; Wayne Wright, Northwood School and John Kohler, Glenwood Acres, N.Y. and Jan Palmer, Snow Ridge, N.Y.; and Bob King, Northwood, N.Y.

Girls--Julie Wolcott, Madonna; Allison Teague, Mt. Mansfield; Sally Flory, Mt. Mansfield; Cindy Benway, Madonna; Karen Middleton, Stratton; Andrea Davis Burke Mountain; Mimi Stagg, Killington and Debbie Reilly, from New York, unattached.

Among the standouts during the two days of competition was Stowe's Ron Biedermann, age 15, and winner of the 2-run afternoon slalom on Saturday. He was the only Junior II racer to win one of the individual races. Other standouts were Madonna's Julie Wolcott, who won both the giant slalom events and Allison Teague, winner of the afternoon

slalom on Saturday and 2nd place finishes on Saturday and 2nd places finishes in the afternoon G.S. on Sunday. Madonna's Brad Kennison and New York State's Tom Leonard also emerged as individual winners.

The "Western Regional Championships" begins a new era in Junior racing. This new concept as conceived and brought to fruition by Bill Harrington, gives the Juniors a fairer chance than ever before. The Western Regionals pitted the top Juniors from New York,

tip, missing a gate, etc., only the best three races out of a total of 4 slalom and two G.S. were used to arrive at the final selection.

This Western Regional Team will next compete against its counterpart (from New Hampshire, Maine, Conn., Rhode Island, and Mass.) and again the field will be limited to just the top competitors from each region. In this way, every kid skiing at the Easterns will have a chance--and not be at the mercy of a chewed up, rutted course following 150 competitors.

In the past each State sent their best directly to the Eastern Championships. And since the Juniors had for the most part never competed outside their State, there was no way to seed them against kids from other States. The racers were, therefore, seeded on a rotating basis based on their seeding within the State, so that the number one kid from each state skied against the number one racer from each of the other New England and Mid-Atlantic States. The number 2's against the number 2's etc. The trouble of course, came from the fact that usually the worst skier, or let us say the Vermont Team, was probably better than the best skier from New Jersey or Pennsylvania. This actually proved to be the case during the past weekend.

Emerging from the Junior Eastern will be a team of 8 boys and 5 girls to represent the East at the Junior Nationals to be held at Bozeman Mountain, March 12-16.

Warren Witherell, former Northwood Coach, has been named to coach the Eastern boy's team along with George Osler of Dartmouth who will coach the girls.



MMSC President Bill Harrington

New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Vermont against each other after qualifying races had been run by each state during January to determine their best. Because of the qualifying cuts that had been made prior to the "Regionals" the field was limited to 43 boys and 20 girls. Along with this low number of starters and the fact that the starting orders were reversed for each run, the conditions were equal for all. And to discount the bad luck of catching a



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## NOTICE

- March 30 Club Championships  
Children's Slalom  
(see details on page 4)
- March 31 Stowe School Ski Championships
- April 14 Easter Parade
- April 20 29th Annual Sugar Slalom  
Dance, Party & Torchlight  
Parade (8:30 pm at Spruce  
House. \$1.00 admission to  
non-racers. Competitors free.)

## Letters

I just wanted you to know how much I appreciated your cooperation during my brief stay at Stowe.

I stayed East an extra week to attend a USEASA sponsored downhill camp at Stowe. We got in some good training and looking at my downhill results since then, I would say it was well worthwhile.

Thanks again for the use of your facilities and for the man hours put in timing.

Ann Black

I feel like I've been holding my breath for a month. Last Sunday I was able to take a breath, but it was sob and not the opposite. I thought I might make that team, right down to the last minute. But obviously, I didn't and life must go on.

At first I had the feeling that I had completely wasted the trip over here. I only placed above 20th in two races. I blew 3 out of 4 slalom races. I was slow in all 3 Giant Slaloms.

But on the other hand, one could look at the whole thing in a positive light. I was 3rd American in one downhill, 2nd in the other. I was 10th in a slalom race. In one run of another (Oberstaufen) I was 2nd American. In the second run at St. Gervais I was 6th over all and 2nd American. Karen Budge, by the way, crashed in her first run there and then had the fastest time in the second run. In every race that I placed in, no one who started behind me beat me. I was quite far back in every race.

My downhill points are probably 2nd or 3rd of the Americans.

My seeding has been improved in every event.

I have seen Europe. My French has improved 100%!

I am now at a B race in the Pyrenees, traveling with the French kids. The French have been great to us. At St. Gervais, they lent us two helmets and downhill skis to practice the downhill. Ours had not come yet. Now I am treated just like one of them. My skis are sharpened and waxed by the trainer, along with the rest.

After this race, I'll either go home with one of the French girls or join the team at Grenoble. Maybe both. Then, after the Olympics, I'll race the Kandahar downhill at Chamonix. And then home.

I should have some MMSC pins, or some Stowe pins. People crave pins over here.

Ricky Skinger

**USEASA WESTERN REGIONAL  
JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS  
FEBRUARY 10-II**

**Saturday Slaloms**

**Sunday Giant Slaloms**

**GIRLS AM SLALOM**

NAME	ST.	1st RUN	2nd RUN	TOTAL
J. Wolcott	VT.	48.55	50.82	1:39.37
K. Middleton	VT.	49.42	50.50	1:39.92
S. Flory	VT.	50.32	49.74	1:40.06
C. Benway	VT.	48.46	52.02	1:40.48
A. Teague	VT.	49.91	51.00	1:40.91
D. Reilly	NY.	50.98	51.70	1:42.68
J. Hurley	NY.	51.96	52.55	1:44.51
A. Davis	VT.	54.06	51.61	1:45.67
J. Servou	PA.	53.80	54.50	1:48.30
N. Fisher	NY.	54.60	54.61	1:49.21

**GIRLS AM GIANT SLALOM**

NAME	ST.	TOTAL
J. Wolcott	VT.	2:22.84
M. Stagg	VT.	2:26.69
K. Middleton	VT.	2:27.92
S. Flory	VT.	2:29.06
B. Beggs	NY.	2:29.68
J. Hurley	NY.	2:32.17
J. Zimicki	NY.	2:35.98
D. Reilly	NY.	2:36.70
A. Davis	VT.	2:38.29
H. Coons	NY.	2:39.45

**GIRLS PM SLALOM**

NAME	ST.	1st RUN	2nd RUN	TOTAL
A. Teague	VT.	49.82	49.32	1:39.14
S. Flory	VT.	50.21	51.06	1:41.27
J. Wolcott	VT.	46.74	58.71	1:54.45
A. Davis	VT.	53.66	52.16	1:45.82
M. Stagg	VT.	52.84	54.11	1:46.95
J. Hurley	NY.	54.93	54.68	1:49.61
B. Beggs	NY.	56.07	55.19	1:51.26
J. Servou	PA.	56.54	61.26	1:57.80
N. Fisher	NY.	64.97	55.89	2:00.86
A. Knudson	NJ.	64.82	62.83	2:07.65

**GIRLS PM GIANT SLALOM**

NAME	ST.	TOTAL
J. Wolcott	VT.	2:19.68
A. Teague	VT.	2:21.99
A. Davis	VT.	2:23.27
K. Middleton	VT.	2:24.22
C. Benway	VT.	2:26.49
S. Flory	VT.	2:27.10
H. Hurley	NY.	2:30.20
B. Beggs	NY.	2:31.51
J. Zimicki	NY.	2:31.59
H. Coons	NY.	2:33.87

**BOYS AM SLALOM**

NAME	ST.	1st RUN	2nd RUN	TOTAL
T. Leonard	NY.	43.63	42.63	1:26.26
J. Goodhue	VT.	45.16	43.34	1:28.50
T. Acker	VT.	43.60	45.11	1:28.71
T. Travis	NY.	45.42	43.94	1:29.36
W. Wright	NY.	46.00	44.07	1:30.42
S. Dever	VT.	45.35	45.07	1:31.22
S. Murphy	VT.	45.74	45.48	1:31.32
C. Morgan	NY.	44.97	46.35	1:31.54
Lamontagne	VT.	45.17	46.37	1:32.47
J. Kohler	NY.	46.54	45.93	1:34.11

**BOYS AM GIANT SLALOM**

NAME	ST.	TOTAL
B. Kennison	VT.	2:11.15
T. Travis	NY.	2:13.49
J. Palmer	NY.	2:14.25
S. Dever	VT.	2:14.40
T. Leonard	NY.	2:14.61
J. Goodhue	VT.	2:15.06
G. Bruce	NY.	2:15.68
J. Kohler	NY.	2:15.89
D. Hazelett	VT.	2:16.16
C. Morgan	NY.	2:16.25

**BOYS PM SLALOM**

NAME	ST.	1st RUN	2nd RUN	TOTAL
R. Biedermann	VT.	47.10	47.47	1:34.57
T. Leonard	NY.	46.47	48.81	1:35.28
J. Goodhue	VT.	47.08	48.22	1:35.30
J. Travis	NY.	47.24	49.34	1:36.58
D. Hazelett	VT.	47.45	49.65	1:37.10
T. Acker	VT.	47.35	50.13	1:37.48
R. Politi	NY.	48.76	50.15	1:38.91
S. Murphy	VT.	48.62	51.69	1:39.69
T. Ryan	VT.	49.48	50.57	1:40.05
K. Biedermann	VT.	49.37	50.90	1:40.27

**BOYS PM GIANT SLALOM**

NAME	ST.	TOTAL
R. Lamontagne	VT.	2:11.57
J. Palmer	NY.	2:11.78
T.R. Ryan	VT.	2:12.45
B. Kennison	VT.	2:12.63
R. Politi	NY.	2:12.63
R. King	NY.	2:13.03
S. Murphy	VT.	2:13.55
D. Hazelett	VT.	2:13.76
T. Leonard	NY.	2:14.26
B. Kashiwa	NY.	2:14.45



# CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS



SATURDAY, MARCH 30, 1968

**Club Championships** 10:00 A.M., Age group 10-13 years. Spruce. Age groups: 14-17, 18-25, 26-40, 41-59, 60 and over. Race number pickup at Spruce House, 8:30 - 9:30 A.M. Trail to be announced.

Also -- All contestants finishing will be eligible for a chance on a 1967-1968 season life ticket on all uphill facilities. AWARDS -- Club Race and Ticket Drawing -- 4:00 P.M., Spruce House.

**RACE ENTRY CLOSING  
DATE — MARCH 27th  
POSITIVELY  
NO LATE ENTRIES**

**Children's Slalom** 12:00 Noon, Age group: Under 10 years. Race number pickup, Spruce House, 10:00 to 11:00 A.M.

## ENTRY BLANK FOR CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP RACE

NAME .....

ADDRESS .....

AGE                      MALE                      FEMALE .....

Entry fee: \$1.00 Junior, \$2.00 Senior. Amount enclosed \$ .....

Contestants must sign the following release and return this entry blank to Mt. Mansfield Ski Club, Spruce House, Stowe, Vt. Entries close March 27th. Pick up numbers at Spruce House.

I hereby absolve the Mt. Mansfield Ski Club, Inc., and the Mt. Mansfield Co., Inc., and affiliated companies; or any member or officer thereof; or any person officially connected with this competition from all responsibility for injury of whatever kind, or in any way connected or related to this competition.

Signed .....

If under 18 years of age Signature of Parent or Guardian will be necessary.

Parent

