

WELCOME TO THE 2024 DEREK IVERSON SPRING FLING INVITATIONAL

Go Head-to-Head with some of the Midwest's Best!

Saturday-Sunday, MARCH 2nd AND 3rd

Join us at Wisconsin's premier racing destination for the 21st annual DEREK IVERSON SPRING FLING Invitational at Mt. La Crosse. Get the chance to meet and compete with racers representing other ski areas and race clubs from our Tri-State region. This is a festive, end-of-season atmosphere that mixes challenging courses with an upbeat spin and plenty of awards in all categories and divisions. Get ready to enjoy a good time and a great racing experience. Sign up and bring your friends!

REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

Online Registration Opens: Thursday, February 8TH at 10am

www.couleealpinerracing.org

There will be a cap of 325 racers for the event.

Advance registration & payment required. NO registration & payment on-site.

Race Fees:

- **Registration fee:** \$70 for full race (two days) plus a SportsEngine fee of roughly \$4.
- **Lift Tickets:** \$67 for 1 day, \$128 for 2 days. This is online pricing (\$5 more for walk-ups/ same day at the window). Lift tickets available for purchase online at Mt. La Crosse. The link for purchasing lift tickets will go live starting February 8th at noon: <https://shop.mtlacrosse.com/visitingrace>
- Tickets purchased online will be available for pick up at the ticket booth. **Lift tickets are separate from the race registration fee.**

Race Refund Policy:

- If for any reason CAR cancels the race a full refund will be provided.
- Cancellation allowed if a request is sent via e-mail to jgehrke@couleealpinerracing.org or jodi_gehrke@yahoo.com prior to February 22nd at midnight. You will be charged a \$20 per racer administration fee to cancel. No race fee refunds given after February 22nd at midnight.
- Lift ticket fees are paid to Mt. La Crosse and lift tickets are non-refundable. Mt. La Crosse is not responsible for lost or misplaced tickets – treat them like cash!!

Race Registration:

- Registration will be done through SportsEngine. You will need to open an account prior to registering. It is free to open an account.
- Go to www.couleealpinerracing.org Go to Derek Iverson Spring Fling link.
- Complete and submit online registration through SportsEngine. Online waivers and payment will be processed through SportsEngine. You will receive a confirmation e-mail after you have registered.
- **PLEASE NOTE:** When the race fills you will be unable to register. Please send an e-mail to jgehrke@couleealpinerracing.org or jodi_gehrke@yahoo.com if you would like to be placed on our waitlist.

Volunteers:

- We will need HELP to run this race! **PARENTS:** There will be opportunities (both on and off

- snow) for those familiar with ski racing and for those with no experience at all!
- A SignUpGenius link will be sent to registrants closer to date.

Coach & Worker Lift Tickets:

- **Coach lift tickets:** Teams will be asked to provide a list of coaches prior to the race who will receive complimentary lift tickets. Those tickets will be available at the race office the night before, 4-8pm, or the morning before the race.
- **Volunteer lift tickets:** Provided to those that are required to ride the lift.
- Sign-up/check-in with the race organizers in the race office for coach and worker lift tickets.

Age Classifications: The event is open to all racers ages U25 and under.

- Age classes: **U25** (ages 19-24), **U19** (ages 16-18), **U16** (ages 14-15), **U14** (ages 12-13), **U12** (ages 10-11), **U10** (ages 8-9), and **U8** (7 & under).
- The "U" designation denotes your racer's age as of this **past** December, **12/31/2023**.

Race Venues: This race will take place on two venues:

- THUNDERATION (LONG COURSE): Age Classes U14-16-19-25
 - Opt-up option: **Experienced** U12 racers may opt to register and compete as U14's on the longer course. You may not change the opt-up decision after the close of online registration.
- SPOTLIGHT/WHITE HOUSE (SHORT COURSE): Age Classes U8-10-12.
- **We encourage racers on Thunderation to use chair lift #2 and the younger racers on Spotlight to use chairlift #1**

Race Format: Slalom (SL) on Saturday; Giant Slalom (GS) on Sunday.

- A combined-time morning race each day, followed by one single-run afternoon race.
- In the combined event, DQ and DNF racers in the first run may take their second run, but they will not receive an overall score in the combined race.

Friday Night Events:

- 4-8 p.m. Early Bib Distribution: Race office

Saturday Morning: Detailed race schedule available closer to date

- 7:15-7:45 a.m. Bib Distribution, Race Worker Sign- In: Race office
- 8 a.m. Course Inspection & Gate Judges meeting will be in front of the lodge by the fire pit.
- 8:30 a.m. Race start time.

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An Awards Ceremony will be held each day (Format TBD)

- Medals awarded to the **top five finishers** in U8- U19 and **top three finishers**.

Souvenir T-shirts, hoodies, hats and beanies will be available for purchase in the lodge.

Questions? Contact either: Steve Mikkelson, Chief of Race, steve.mikkelson08@gmail.com
Jodi Gehrke, race organizer: jgehrke@couleealpineracing.org or jodi_gehrke@yahoo.com