26th February 2023 Update from SCI Racing

The Slope!

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Message from the Chair, Mark Ward-Bopp

Hello Everyone, it's been a busy couple of months with the FIS Alpine World Cup, many of you tuning into Ski Sunday each week to catch the highlights.

Our own Ambassador, Coach Cormac Comerford made us all proud last week at the **2023 World Champs** in Courchevel, when he placed 40th in GS, and after a fantastic comeback in the 1st run of the slalom, placed 46th ranking. President Kevin Totterdell congratulated Cormac, commenting: "So proud to have you in the club and as a coach. The pride this morning on the deck watching your race was palpable, you're a legend." Here's Cormac on the right being presented by Trustee, Ronan Columb, with the overall Slalom winner at the 2022 Irish Open.

You'll know from the December Newsletter, there are lots of events planned for 2023. The next race Ski Club of Ireland Racing Committee will be running is a fun-filled **Giant Slalom + Gold Rush Race event** on **Saturday 11th March 2023**, which will feature an afternoon time trial race that will be open to competitors of all ages and abilities, followed by a head-to-head knock-out competition featuring the top 32 qualified athletes of each gender, who compete head-to-head for a Winner-Takes-All cash prize of €100 per gender per race.





Dual GS Timetable

4.50pm	Bib Collection
5.00pm	Set up & Practice
5.30pm	Two Timed Tuns
6.15pm	Start Break
6.45pm	Start knockout
8.00pm	Finish

This event will cost €10 each for members and €30 for each non-member which can be paid when collecting your bib before the race. Please click this link to complete the registration form: <u>Ski Club of Ireland Dual Giant Slalom</u> <u>2023</u>. Closing date is **Saturday** 4th **March 2023**.

Other events coming up include:

Saturday 22nd April SCI Racing End of Season

Championships 10.00 am – 4.00pm. This event is also open to members and non-members further details to follow soon. Prizegiving for all members will take place at 4.00pm, followed by a BBQ and music until approximately 8.00pm. Well done to everyone who won a cup in 2022, if you can please ensure all cups are engraved, cleaned, and returned before **Sunday 2nd April** to the Ski Club office.

The SCI Racing 2023 **Summer Camp** will take place this year **Friday 25th – Sunday 27th August**, Kilternan. Details to follow. Pic on the right is some of our racers from the 2022 Camp.



For SCI Racing members, the **first away race** will take place in May, travelling on **Friday 19th May** for races on **Saturday 20th & Sunday 21st May GBR Outdoor 1 & 2 in Llandudno, Wales**. If you'd like to attend, please email <u>racing@skiclub.ie</u> before **Sunday 2nd April** so we can confirm if there are enough numbers to proceed with a club trip. Here are some members from SCI Racing's last trip to Llandudno in September 2022.

