

Membership Form

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2004–2005 cross-country ski season!**

(you can also sign up on-line at <http://danenet.wicip.org/madnord/club.html>)

Is this a renewal or a new membership?

What type of membership?

- Individual \$25 Family \$35
 Junior \$10 (18 or under) Kidski \$25 plus club membership

Additional donation \$ ___ to support local ski groups, trails, and promote XC activities

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City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home phone: _____ Work phone: _____

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Capitol Square Sprints Bring the World to Madison in January

On January 16th, 2005, Madison will host a US Olympic Ski Team Qualifier Nor/Am Super Tour Classic Sprint event, the Capitol Square Sprints. This FIS event will bring world-class cross-country skiers to race around the Wisconsin State Capitol on man-made snow in the heart of downtown Madison; the first time something like this has been done in the US!

Event organizers are anticipating more than 250 participants, from the Olympic level to citizen, and expect over 10,000 spectators in what they hope to make an annual event. Also planned are a cross-country ski sport presentation for Native American children and a cross-country ski race

for disabled athletes.

Nordic sprint events have been held in Europe the past two years—one in Dusseldorf, Germany's city center — and the other around the Royal Palace in Stockholm, Sweden. Both had amazing success.

These events relied on local commercial, civic and individual support to succeed. The same can happen here but the event needs your help. The foundation of support has been built for the Capitol Square Sprints from the Greater Madison Convention & Visitors Bureau, the US Olympic Committee, the US Ski and Snowboard Association, and the

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Madison has the potential to bring 10,000 spectators to the capitol this January, duplicating large sprint events in Europe.

Be Part of It!

Capitol Square Sprints brings an elite international Nordic event to Madison for the first time but you don't have to be an Olympic-caliber athlete to be part of it. A strong foundation of sponsors is growing. You can volunteer (see article), contribute money, and even race in the citizen class events!

Contributions can be made through Madnorski and the club will get 20%. Send checks to Madison Nordic Ski Club, P.O. Box 55281, Madison, WI 53705, and note "Capitol Square Sprints" in the memo.

Visit www.madnorski.org for additional details and links.



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Summer X-C Ski Championships Lures Competitors from Surrounding States to Dane County



Owen Hanley (Team Rossignol) leads Andre Watt (Fischer/Salomon) in the Open Men's division of the 2004 Summer X-C SKI Championships. This two-stage event combined a 5 km trail run with a 6 km uphill roller ski pursuit. Hanley held on for the win.

Mount Horeb, WI
The 2nd Annual Summer X-C SKI Championships were held Saturday, August 7th, at Tyrol Basin in Mt. Horeb, Wisconsin. This year's event attracted some of the best skiers from Wisconsin and surrounding states, along with some enthusiastic spectators. In just one year this event has grown not only in the number of competitors, but also awards, with \$850 dollars in prize money to the top 3 finishers in male, female U-23 divisions.

The format was a mass-start cross-country trail run over the hills at Tyrol, followed by a 6 km uphill roller ski pursuit up county trunk "F". The In the running portion, Andre Watt (Fischer/Salomon) and junior Bill Bowler (NMU) pushed the pace early on, while Owen Hanley (Team Rossignol) followed closely behind in third. After the 1st lap of 7:30 the lead pack was down to 4. On the 2nd lap the 3 leaders remained together until the last hill where Watt and Hanley put a small gap on Bowler. At the finish it was Hanley

in 15:32 with a 3 second advantage over Watt and Bowler only 15 seconds back of Watt.

On the Women's side defending champ Lorie Wesolek (Team Rossignol/Madnorski) was initially unchallenged in a time of 18:45. Then Maria Stuber (NMU) arrived a half an hour late due to road construction and was granted an individual start, posting a time of 18:23.

In the junior's race Jeff Schecherl (RSSS/Madnorski) and Bryan Garfoot (RSSS/Madnorski) ran neck and neck for most of the race until Schecherl pulled away to win by 18 seconds in 18:15. In the Junior girls class Jena Acker (RSSS/Madnorski) defended her run title over Mikaela Robertson (RSSS/Madnorski).

After the run the skiers headed over to Brigham County Park where they were shuttled down to the start of the 6 km uphill pursuit. Unfair advantages of "fast skis" were eliminated this year through the sponsorship of V2/Jenex roller skis, who supplied 15 pairs of identical skis for the competition.

In the Men's race, Hanley and Watt skied together up the course that more closely resembled a Tour de France stage than a Midwest farm road, until Hanley made a surge in the last 700 m for the victory. On the women's side, Stuber maintained her lead over Wesolek to win in 20:38.



Competitors drove in from Minnesota, Michigan and around Wisconsin to gauge their summer fitness. Cash, merchandise and high-caliber regional competition added incentive. Complete results are available at www.rsss-usa.com. Open Women's division winner Maria Stuber (NMU) uncorks the champagne in celebration.



2004-2005 Madnorski Calendar



Madnorski/Tyrol Basin Tuesday Night Race Series

Three early-season races at Tyrol Basin will kick off the southern Wisconsin racing season this year and man-made snow will remove the doubt of cancellation! Set aside these Tuesday nights: Nov. 30, Dec. 7, Dec. 14. Races begin at 7 p.m.

Hors d'oeuvres will be provided and the bar will be open. It will be a great opportunity to get on snow and get festive!

October

- 2 Work Party at Blue Mounds State Park; 9 a.m.
- 19 Madnorski Juniors; practices begin informally
- 26 Madnorski Juniors; practices begin formally
- 30 Work Party at Elver Park; 1 p.m.

November

- 4 Board Meeting 6:45 p.m. Meanwells'

Capitol Square Sprints (from page 1)

Federation of International Skiing. In addition, Hammersly Stone Trucking Company and Tyrol Basin Ski Area have generously offered their support in making and trucking snow to the site, but we are in need of cash donations to support snow delivery and

- 8 Club Meeting; 6:45 p.m. Social begins at 6 p.m. Lussier Center Lower Level
- 21 RSSS/Tyrol Race; 7 p.m.
- 20 8-day club trip to Silver Star B.C.
- 30 Tuesday Night Tyrol Race Series; 7 p.m.

December

- 9 Board Meeting; 6:45 p.m. Meanwells'
- 11-12 J.O./F.I.S. Races at Wolverine U.P. Focus hotel: AmericInn: Ironwood
- 7 Tuesday Night Tyrol Race Series; 7 p.m.
- 13 Club Meeting; 6:45 p.m. Social begins at 6 p.m. Lussier Center Lower Level
- 14 Tuesday Night Tyrol Race Series; 7 p.m.
- 25 Have a safe and peaceful holiday

January

- 2 Ice Age Challenge Race at Elver Park; 10 a.m.
- 4 Tuesday Night Elver Race Series; 7 p.m.
- 6 Board Meeting; 6:45. Meanwells'
- 15-16 Capitol Square Sprints
- 10 Club Meeting; 6:45. Social begins at 6 p.m. Lussier Center Lower Level
- 11 Tuesday Night Elver Race Series ; 7 p.m.
- 15 Seeley Hills Classic. Focus Hotel: Telemark Lodge

other event expenses.

To volunteer, contact Yuriy Gusev, event organizer, at (608) 385-8864 or e-mail: info@capitolsquaresprints.org. Visit www.capitolsquaresprints.org for more details.



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Metropolitan venues have the potential to draw large crowds; Duesseldorf, Germany last year was one of Europe's success stories, pulling in over 120,000 fans in addition to a large television audience.

- 18 Tuesday Night Elver Race Series; 7 p.m.
- 22-23 Trip with Minneapolis Ski Club. Focus Hotel: Telemark Resort
- 25 Tuesday Night Elver Race Series; 7 p.m.
- 29-30 Nequemanon Ski Race. Focus Hotel: Nordic Bay Lodge
- 29-30 Book Across the Bay—Ashland

February

- 1 Tuesday Night Elver Race Series; 7 p.m.
- 5-6 Badger State Games. Focus Hotel: Hampton Inn
- 8 Tuesday Night Elver Race Series; 7 p.m.
- 10 Board Meeting; 6:45 p.m.
- 12-13 Pre-Birkie and North End Classic. Focus Hotel: Telemark Resort
- 13 Mora Vassa. Focus Hotel: Ivey's Aunts House
- 14 Club Meeting; 6:45. Social begins at 6 p.m. Lussier Center Lower Level
- 15 Tuesday Night Elver Race Series; 7 p.m.
- 19-20 Blackhawk Sprints and Kids' Races
- 26 American Birkebeiner

March

- 5 Howard Young Cup. Focus Hotel: The Pointe.
- 10 Board Meeting@ 6:45 Meanwells'
- 14 Club Meeting@ 6:45. Social Begins at 6 p.m. Potluck. Lussier Lower Level
- 13 Great Bear Chase

June

- 7 RSSS/Tyrol Summer Championships on Snow. This one Rocks!

Orders due Oct. 4!



Madnorski Clothing

Another order of our popular club clothing will be made this fall. To order the best looking ski clothing on snow, contact Dirk Mason at 277-1881 or at ddmason@charter.net. Jackets, jerseys and tights are available. Fittings will be available on September 30, October 2 and 3rd; Orders are due October 4. Delivery is planned for our December meeting. Final cost will be determined by size of the order. Check www.madnorski.org for the latest information on clothing.