



FIS Update December 21st, 2023

Hello FIS Team,

We are wrapping up our holiday series here in Pano. We have been very lucky to have such great conditions! From -2 temperatures to a hard consistent racing surface, we could not ask for any better. With 1 final day left of racing in 2023 we have 1 SL race left before we head back home to regroup and get ready for the new year ahead.

A Look Back at The Week

Last week we arrived back in Panorama for our second time of the season. We had 3 great days of training. The first being a fun day of GS on our race hill Old Timer. The second day was a hard-fought day of SL on Hayfever which is always a tough and challenging hill. Our final day of training was on Little Dipper which is a fantastic GS run. Here we had great snow conditions and a high tempo fun course with some rolling terrain. We are now 3 days through our first Panorama FIS series of the year, with our GS races behind us and 1 SL race left today it has been a great series so far. The conditions have been great from mild weather to a hard racing surface we could not ask for any better conditions. For a large part of our team this is their first FIS series and an intro into the world of FIS. So far, we have seen some strong skiing from most with everyone continuing to build on their previous day and pretty well everyone has scored some FIS points! Going into today we are looking to build off yesterday's results to finish the series and the year strong! In the last few days of racing the WMSC FIS Team has claimed some medals and top finishes!

- Giulia Agazzi got her first FIS podium with a 3rd place finish in the U19 for the first GS race
- Lola Gilbert Claimed her first FIS podium with a 2nd place finish in the U19 2nd GS race
- Hannah Jensen earned attack from the back award on the first GS race and her first top 10 overall result in yesterdays SL race
- Thea Torn earned attack from the back award on the 2nd GS race
- We have seen a number of athletes make the top 30 for the second run putting them in the flip for the second run!

Looking Ahead

We have one last day of racing to close out the 2023 racing year and following that we will be heading for home on Dec 23rd. Our plan is to **leave Panorama at 7am on Dec 23rd** hoping to arrive in **North Van for 5pm**. After our drop off at the Real Canadian Super Store we will head North to **Whistler** looking to arrive around **7pm**. We will take some much-deserved time off over the holidays and resume our training on Dec 28th. As it looks right now, we are in need of snow back home. Until we get some more terrain open, we will most likely have a free-ski camp to close

out December. We are asking and pushing to get some lane space for some SL training. If we get lucky and have the opportunity to train some gates, we will definitely put some gates in the snow and create a training environment. As of now that looks optimistic, and we are hopeful. If conditions don't improve, we have started to try and create the option for a training camp at the beginning of January so we can continue to train and prepare for our upcoming races. We will share more as we know more. In a perfect world we will get lots of snow and cold weather, so we get our training center up and running.

We are off to the hill for our final day of racing and looking to build off yesterday! We are looking forward to coming home for the holidays and will see you all tomorrow evening.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to me.

Sincerely,

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"Talent wins games, but teamwork and intelligence win championships." --Michael Jordan.