

23rd Western Interior Ski/Biathlon results Tanana, April 1-3

(Top 10 results given for each race)

April 1, cross-country ski race

High school boys (9k): 1) Emerson Conger, Nome, 35:38; 2) Sam Schmidt, Nome, 38:59; 3) Asa Bergamaschi, White Mountain, 39:01; 4) Cy Conrad, Nenana, 41:27; 5) Vincent Tomaloni, White Mountain, 45:25; 6) Tim Schmidt, Nome, 47:31; 7) Francis Katongan, Galena, 51:38; 8) Francis Lockwood, Saint Michael, 52:53; 9) Kevin Ione, Golovin, 56:59; 10) Quinn Tozier, Nome, 59:18.

High school girls (4.5 kilometers): 1) Sierra Corsetti, IDA, 22:32; 2) Ana Lee Swanson, Unalakleet, 24:02; 3) Caitly Trozier, Nome, 25:05; 4) Miranda Murphy, Nome, 25:50; 5) Cassandra Joseph, Tanana, 27:37; 6) Danny Fisher, Nenana, 35:15; 7) Zoey Niksik, Galena, 36:37; 8) Harlie Nelson, Nenana, 39:47; 9) Mariah Bifelt, Nenana, 42:05; 10) Felicia Kayotuk, Galena, 52:28.

Junior high boys (4.5k): 1) Corey Ningeulook, Shishmaref, 22:31; 2) Dominic Richardson, Saint Michael, 23:43; 3) Kaleb Korta, Galena, 24:22; 4) Hank Henry, Golovin, 25:04; 5) Nathaniel Picoya, Golovin, 25:57; 6) Liam Floyd, Nome, 26:02; 7) Jessie Mortenson, Nenana, 27:41; 8) David Olanna, Shishmaref, 30:03; 9) Jared Olin, Galena, 30:18.

Junior high girls (4.5k): 1) Rosa Schmidt, Nome, 21:09; 2) Aly Daniels, Unalakleet, 22:57; 3) Katie Daniels, Unalakleet, 23:55; 4) Season Haugen, Unalakleet, 24:43; 5) Jonisha Wilson, Unalakleet, 25:48; 6) Hannah Tozier, Nome, 26:23; 7) Romay Harris, Galena, 26:35; 8) Anna Prentice, White Mountain, 27:15; 9) Lindsay Floyd, Nome, 27:51; 10) Rayna Buck-Nassuk, White Mountain, 29:38.

April 2: Biathlon

High school boys (5.5k): 1) Emerson Conger, Nome, 21:32; 2) Asa Bergamaschi, White Mountain, 23:23; 3) Sam Schmidt, Nome, 26:14; 4) Cy Conrad, Nenana, 26:20; 5) Vincent Tomaloni, White Mountain, 28:13; 6) Tim Schmidt, Nome, 28:37; 7) Quinn Tozier, Nome, 29:38; 8) Francis Katongan, Galena, 30:51; 9) Francis Lockwood, Saint Michael, 32:23; 10) Kevin Ione, Golovin, 34:16.

High school girls (5.5 k): 1) Sierra Corsetti, IDA, 25:22; 2) Ana Lee Swanson, Unalakleet, 30:51; 3) Miranda Murphy, Nome, 31:02; 4) Caitly

Tozier, Nome, 31:41; 5) Danny Fisher, Nenana, 40:40; 6) Mariah Bifelt, Nenana, 42:05; 7) Harlie Nelson, Nenana, 48:36; 8) Amber Harris, Galena, 1:03:49; 10) Felicia Kayotuk, Galena, 1:08:16.

Junior high boys (5.5k): 1) Dominic Richardson, Saint Michael, 26:24; 2) Corey Ningeulook, Shishmaref, 29:35; 3) Kaleb Korta, Galena, 30:44; 4) Hank Henry, Golovin, 30:54; 5) Liam Floyd, Nome, 31:51; 6) Jessie Mortenson, Nenana, 32:12; 7) David Olanna, Shishmaref, 32:22; 8) Nathaniel Picoya, Golovin, 32:56; 9) Jared Olin, Galena, 38:57.

Junior high girls (5.5k): 1) Aly Daniels, Unalakleet, 27:52; 2) Rosa Schmidt, Nome, 27:58; 3) Jonisha Wilson, Unalakleet, 29:05; 4) Katie Daniels, Unalakleet, 29:11; 5) Season Haugen, Unalakleet, 29:48; 6) Lindsay Floyd, Nome, 30:51; 7) Hannah Tozier, Nome, 32:03; 8) Anna Prentice, White Mountain, 32:19; 9) Romay Harris, Galena, 35:15; 10) Anika Mudge, Nenana, 44:44.

April 3: Team Relay (2 x 3k)

High school boys: 1) Nome, Conger and Schmidt, 22:28; 2) White Mountain, Bergamaschi and Tomaloni, 25:19; 3) Galena, Katongan and Arrow, 16:42.

High school girls: 1) Nome, Tozier and Murphy, 31:15; 2) Nenana, Fisher and Nelson, 43:54; 3) Galena, Niksik and Kayotuk, 1:01:10.

Junior high girls: 1) Unalakleet, A. Daniels and Wilson, 28:23; 2) Nome, Schmidt and Tozier, 31:20; 3) Galena, Harris and Buchanan, 39:15.

Junior high boys: 1) Shishmaref, Ningeulook and Olanna, 28:17; 2) Golovin, Henry and Picoya, 30:48; 3) Galena, Korta and Olin, 34:00.

Team trophies:

High school boys: 1) Nome; 2) White Mountain; 3) Galena.

High school girls: 1) Nome; 2) Nenana; 3) Galena.

Junior high boys: 1) Shishmaref; 2) Golovin; 3) Galena.

Ski Meister Awards

High school boys: Emerson Conger, Nome
High school girls: Sierra Corsetti, IDA
Junior high boys: Cory Nigeulook, Shishmaref
Junior high girls: Aly Daniels, Unalakleet
Sportsmanship award: Unalakleet

BSSD Ski/Biathlon results, White Mountain, March 25-26

Junior high boys team standings: 1) Golovin, 2) Shishmaref, 3) White Mountain, 4) Unalakleet, 5) Saint Michael, 6) Brevig Mission, 7) Elim, 8) Diomed, 9) Teller, 10) Savoonga, 11) Stebbins.

Junior high girls team standings: 1) Unalakleet, 2) Nome, 3) White Mountain, 4) Koyuk, 5) Teller, 6) Saint Michael, 7) Elim, 8) Shishmaref, 9) Stebbins.

High school boys team standings: 1) Nome, 2) White Mountain, 3) Saint Michael, 4) Shishmaref.

High school girls team standings: 1) Nome

Sportsmanship Award: Nome

Ski Meister Awards

High school boys: Emerson Conger, Nome

High school girls: Caitlyn Tozier, Nome

Junior high boys: Rosa Schmidt, Nome

Junior high girls: Corey Ningeulook, Shishmaref

Most Improved Skiers: Corey Ningeulook, Shishmaref; Aly Daniels, Unalakleet

Cross country ski race (7.5k)

High school boys: 1) Emerson Conger, Nome, 0:24:10; 2) Asa Bergamaschi, White Mountain, 0:25:48; 3) Sam Schmidt, Nome, 0:27:00; 4) Vincent Tomaloni, White Mountain, 0:31:34; 5) Tim Schmidt, Nome, 0:31:24; 6) Quinn Tozier, Nome, 0:36:06; 7) Kevin Ione, Golovin, 0:40:44; 8) Jacob Okbaok, Teller, 0:46:18; 9) Francis Lockwood, St. Michael, 0:46:38; 10) Jarad Billingsley, St. Michael, 0:47:25.

High school girls: 1) Caitly Trozier, Nome, 0:35:59; 2) Miranda Murphy, Nome, 0:39:05; 3) Ana Swanson, Unalakleet, 0:40:43; 4) Janice Homekingkeo, Koyuk, 0:59:00; 5) Tiffany Immingan, Savoonga, Dnf; 6) Jolene Okeasik, Teller, Dnf; 7) Tracy Ahnangnatoguk, Brevig Mission, Dnf.

Cross country ski race (4.0k)

Junior high boys: 1) Liam Floyd, Nome, 0:15:13; 2) Hank Henry, Golovin, 0:15:16; 3) Corey Ningeulook, Shishmaref, 0:15:37; 4) Isaac Mcel-

wee, White Mountain, 0:16:08; 5) Dominic Richardson, St. Michael, 0:16:42; 6) Jayden Wilson, Unalakleet, 0:16:56; 7) Nathaniel Picoya, Golovin, 0:17:02; 8) Sigfred Brown, White Mountain, 0:17:13; 9) Kady Erickson, Unalakleet, 0:17:30; 10) David Olanna, Shishmaref, 0:18:20.

Junior high girls: 1) Rosa Schmidt, Nome, 0:13:25; 2) Aly Daniels, Unalakleet, 0:13:52; 3) Katie Daniels, Unalakleet, 0:14:37; 4) Jonisha Wilson, Unalakleet, 0:15:02; 5) Season Haugen, Unalakleet, 0:15:09; 6) Lindsay Floyd, Nome, 0:15:20; 7) Hannah Tozier, Nome, 0:15:44; 8) Anna Prentice, White Mountain, 0:16:57; 9) Rayna Buck-Nassuk, White Mountain, 0:16:58; 10) Angel Agloinga, White Mountain, 0:17:32/

Biathlon race (5.4k)

High school boys: 1) Emerson Conger, Nome, 8 targets hit, 0:18:03; 2) Asa Bergamaschi, White Mountain, 9, 0:19:03; 3) Sam Schmidt, Nome, 3, 0:21:49; 4) Vincent Tomaloni, White Mountain, 3, 0:25:55; 5) Tim Schmidt, Ome, 2, 0:26:23; 6) Quinn Tozier, Nome, 3, 0:26:39; 7) Kevin Ione, Golovin, 1, 0:29:50; 8) Francis Lockwood, St. Michael, 3, 0:32:06; 9) Jarad Billingsley, St. Michael, 5, 0:36:53; 10) Jacob Okbaok, Teller, 1, 0:40:11.

High school girls: 1) Miranda Murphy, Nome, 6 targets hit, 0:27:24; 2) Caitly Trozier, Nome, 3, 0:27:38; 3) Ana Swanson, Unalakleet, 3, 0:29:23; 4) Janice Homekingkeo, Koyuk, 6, 0:42:15; 5) Tracy Ahnangnatoguk, Brevig Mission, 0, 0:47:04; 6) Jolene Okeasik, Teller, 3, 0:47:39; 7) Tiffany Immingan, Savoonga, 2, 0:52:33.

Biathlon race (5.4k)

Junior high boys: 1) Corey Ningeulook, Shishmaref, 7 targets hit, 0:26:01; 2) Hank Henry, Golovin, 7, 0:26:42; 3) Dominic Richardson, St. Michael, 8, 0:27:01; 4) David Olanna, Shishmaref, 9, 0:27:45; 5) Sigfred Brown, White Mountain, 9, 0:27:51; 6) Liam Floyd, Nome, 8, 0:29:04; 7) Jayden Wilson, Unalakleet, 5, 0:29:50; 8) Isaac Mcelwee, White Mountain, 6, 0:30:14; 9)

Nathaniel Picoya, Golovin, 4, 0:31:35; 10) Kayden Erickson, Unalakleet, 4, 0:31:41.

Junior high girls: 1) Rosa Schmidt, Nome, 4 targets hit, 0:25:03; 2) Aly Daniels, Unalakleet, 5, 0:25:17; 3) Season Haugen, Unalakleet, 10, 0:25:47; 4) Jonisha Wilson, Unalakleet, 9, 0:25:53; 5) Hannah Tozier, Nome, 10, 0:27:29; 6) Lindsay Floyd, Nome, 6, 0:28:17; 7) Katie Daniels, Unalakleet, 3, 0:28:24; 8) Rayna Buck-Nassuk, White Mountain, 8, 0:29:26; 9) Anna Prentice, White Mountain, 7, 0:29:56; 10) Linda Kimoktoak, Koyuk, 9, 0:30:20.

Marksmanship

High school boys: 1) Asa Bergamaschi, White Mountain; 2) Jarad Billingsley, St. Michael; 3) Quinn Tozier, Nome; 4) Emerson Conger, Nome; 5) Vincent Tomaloni, White Mountain; 6) Tim Schmidt, Nome; 7) Jacob Okbaok, Teller; 8) Sam Schmidt, Nome; 9) Francis Lockwood, St. Michael; 10) Henry Ahgupuk, Shishmaref.

High school girls: 1) Miranda Murphy, Nome; 2) Ana Swanson, Unalakleet; 3) Tiffany Immingan, Savoonga; 4) Janice Homekingkeo, Koyuk; 5) Tracy Ahnangnatoguk, Brevig Mission; 6) Caitly Trozier, Nome; 7) Jolene Okeasik, Teller.

Junior high boys: 1) Ned Ahgupuk, Shishmaref; 2) Edwin Noongwook, Savoonga; 3) Ryan Topkok, Teller; 4) Wyman Anasogak, Elim; 5) Talon Erickson, Unalakleet; 6) Kady Erickson, Unalakleet; 7) Dominic Richardson, St. Michael; 8) John Washington, St. Michael; 9) David Olanna, Shishmaref; 10) Aaron Bergamaschi, White Mountain.

Junior high girls: 1) Maxine Kimoktoak, Koyuk; 2) Jonisha Wilson, Unalakleet; 3) Season Haugen, Unalakleet; 4) Rayna Buck-Nassuk, White Mountain; 5) Katie Daniels, Unalakleet; 6) Linda Kimoktoak, Koyuk; 7) Dieder Levi, St. Michael; 8) Anna Prentice, White Mountain; 9) Alice Otten, Stebbins; 10) Irene Apasingok, Gambell.

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straight junior high girls' team trophy. Only the dominant late '90s junior high girls teams from White Mountain have more consecutive team trophies (seven) than Unalakleet.

Schmidt would use her gold and silver medals to solidify the Nome team's second-place finish. Romay Harris, from Galena, would lead her team to third place.

In the junior high boys division, a dual for the Ski Meister Award ensued between skiers from sites that had never medaled at the rural state championships, much less a Western Interior Ski Meister Award.

On the final day of competition, Corey Ningeulook of Shishmaref, the 4.5-kilometer ski race gold medalist, would use a faster relay split to outlast biathlon gold medalist Dominic Richardson (the only biathlete at the meet to "shoot clean," hitting 10 out of 10 targets) of Saint Michael.

Ningeulook would also guide Shishmaref to its first team title. The team from Golovin, led by Hank Henry, and the team from Galena, led by double-bronze medalist Kaleb Korta, would go on to take second and third place, respectively.

The Western Interior Ski and Biathlon Championships is one of the largest biathlon events held in the United States each year. Participants in the biathlon ski twice around a 2.7-kilometer course, each time stop-

ping at a shooting range where they find a 22-caliber rifle and a personal range safety officer waiting for them.

Just a few of the Western Interior Ski and Biathlon Championships competitors have access to established biathlon ranges and targets in their villages and small cities, so junior high competitors are allowed to shoot with a rest.

During each shooting bout, competitors take five shots in the prone position at 4.5-inch targets, which are placed 50 meters down range. Each missed shot results in the athlete performing a short, but time- and energy-consuming penalty lap.

Nenana's Chuck Hugny, a 21-year veteran of the event, served as the range safety manager for the 2010 championships. Two-time Olympic Biathlon Team member Rachel Steer was in attendance and provided the athletes with a biathlon clinic.

In 1986, the Western Interior Ski/Biathlon Association created an event that would allow skiers and biathletes from rural locations around the state to experience high level ski and biathlon competition. The resulting Western Interior Ski and Biathlon Championships are regarded as the rural state ski and biathlon championships.

WISA has four spots reserved on the Arctic Winter Games teams for winners of its biathlon competition. Next year is an Arctic Winter Games qualification year for the Western Interior Ski/Biathlon Championships. The event will be held in White Mountain.

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