



B.A.R.S.C. CHAMPIONSHIPS

27 December 2014 - 1st January 2015

LES ARCS 1800, FRANCE

Update Three



STOP PRESS

See below. The current situation is that it is snowing heavily down to about 500 metres. The road to Tignes is blocked but it is anticipated it will reopen either on either the 28th or the 29th. We have spoken to les Arcs, they are only able to propose a resort led, single run GS "with animations!" on the evening of 1st January. This will be open to all clients in the resort of they choose to take part. We have therefore confirmed our conversations with Tignes.

TEAM CAPTAINS MEETINGS

The 1st Team Captains meeting will take place as planned on 27th December in Seminar Room Bellecote in Hotel Golf at 19.30. We realise that this may be difficult for the some people because of the current road conditions and major delays caused by the snow and the number of incidents. No decision to pull racers will be made at that meeting and we will try to update people by email/dropbox /Facebook. See below for others. We will aim to make the draw in Les ARCS at about 18.30 and to publish the start list and the programme for each day after that. We will aim to email and post in Dropbox.

TIGNES RACE PISTES

We will be racing on the FIS competition piste Stade de Lognan, we will use the DH and SG starts and all drops will be to BASS specifications. Uplift will be by the Tichot and Grattalu lifts and return will be to the bottom of the stade and back up to the start. There is ample snow high up, and the resort continue to work to consolidate it, but the snow on the lower part of the stade, although fine for ski-ing is not consolidated or deep enough to set a course and to ski gates.

Timing will be on the hill but relayed to the timing hut at Val Claret and we hope to have either a video display panel or a white board to show provisional times.

CONDITIONS

The weather forecast is for the snow to clear and for the temperature to drop. It is anticipated that it may drop to -15 or -20 in Tignes. It is essential that racers, parents and volunteers are prepared for the cold, tis includes clothing and as far as possible drinks and snacks.

CURRENT PROGRAMME CHANGES

Due to the pre-Christmas conditions, especially on the lower slopes we are not able to start the races until 30th December. It would have been possible to run the race but not to return to the village! The provisional programme will be as shown below. There are piste maps on www.tignes.co.uk/pistemap.htm and <http://preview.tinyurl.com/l2q82nk>

In the light of the changes and to make transfer as easy as possible, we are provisionally planning to start the races at 11.30hrs. Racer inspection will be about 45 minutes earlier but we will announce the final timing later. We aim to move to have a brief TCM after the races by the timing tower in Tignes. The draw will take place in

We will automatically enter any one currently entered in GS1 and GS2 into the single GS that is now possible.

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

SATURDAY 27/12/2014	Team Captains' at Hotel du Golf les Arcs 1800	19.30h
SUNDAY 28/12/201	Club organised training	
	Team Captains' meeting at Hotel du Golf les Arcs 1800	18.30h
MONDAY 29/12/2014	All Mountain Challenge les ARCS	10.30h now at 17.30h
	Team Captains' meeting at Hotel du Golf les Arcs 1800	
TUESDAY 30/12/2014	U18/U16/U14 GS (two runs/races) Tignes Val Claret U10/U12 GS Team Captains' meeting PROBABLY at Timing Tower Val Claret	
WEDNESDAY 31/12/2014	U18/U16/U14 Slalom (two runs/races) Tignes Val Claret U10/U12 Club organised training Team Captains' meeting PROBABLY at Timing Tower Val Claret	
THURSDAY 01/01/2015	U18/U16/U14 Parcours d'habileté/Technical Kombi Tignes Val Claret U10/U12 Parcours d'habileté/Technical Kombi Tignes Val Claret Evening 1 run GS offered by les ARCS	

We will publish updates as and when we have more information about these plans.

Entries into additional events from racers who are on the acceptance list will be accepted by the organising committee 12.00 hours on 29/12/14 without a late entry fee. The jury will consider and may accept late entries from other athletes.

RACE OFFICE

**The office at Puffins, Lower Station Road, Newick, East Sussex, BN8 4HU.
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From Saturday 27 December 2014 the Race Office and the Notice Board will in Hotel du Golf les Arcs 1800. Email barscraces@gmail.com

Race Office opening hours: daily, as soon after the completion of the races as we can return from Tignes, as available at other times.

ALL MOUNTAIN CHALLENGE and KOMBI

The ALL Mountain Challenge designed to introduce and test for groups of young skiers in all round skiing and mountain skills groups should be accompanied by a responsible adult, preferably a coach, and asked to evidence that they reached three or four points in le ARCS. Skiers should be asked to navigate and ski in a variety of styles over as much different terrain as conditions will allow. Briefing, start and finish will be the hotel Golf.

Kombi is a recognised event format designed by FIS for the U14/U16 age group to test a range of different skills. A Kombi will be an integral part of the British Children's Championships this year. In Britain, there is no age barrier and it is down to organisers to identify the groups.

TRANSFER TO TIGNES

Although it normally about 55/60 minutes from les ARCS 1800 to Tignes, the races are taking place during the major French holiday period. Val Claret is largely car free and all cars must be parked in the car park between the village and the stade. BARSC will not be able to offer to organise transfers

There is an SNCF bus service (T14) from Bourg St Maurice Station to Tignes and on to Val d'Isere. The one leaving at 7.55 is the only link (check times) and it would be necessary to change in Tignes les Lac (see www.tignesnet.com/buses), taxis from Bourg are available but are unlikely to be cost effective unless you are in a group. Some clubs will have transport in the area and may have seats that they can make available.

COMMUNICATIONS and UPDATES ON CHAMPIONSHIPS

Primary communication should be by email, which will be dealt with as available. **No UK phone number will be available after 20 December 2014.** Texts can be sent +44(0)7956662754 .

Updates will be published as we are able on www.britski.org & www.barsc.net & Twitter @BARSCChamps www.twitter.com/BARSCChamps & Face book <https://www.facebook.com/groups/171222549636514/> .

All documents, including acceptance, updates, start lists, results etc. will, as far as possible, also be published on Dropbox. The link will be:

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/xw4xb86amkolm34/AADr4y1OwP1nC990iltm6QLca?dl=0>

DEVELOPMENTS in les ARCS 1800

For those staying in les ARCS, there have been major developments in 1800. A new multi-sport indoor/outdoor centre including debutant and quiet skiing, children's area and a fun park plus luge, and a major swimming pool has been added in front of the main area see www.lesarcs.com/en/mille8.html

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