



**BLACKHAWK
ALPINE RACE TEAM**



Present:

2026 Devil's Head WIJARA Race

Devil's Head Resort
S6330 Bluff Road
Merrimac, WI 53561

Saturday	2/7/2026	Girls: Giant Slalom (GS): 1 – 1 run race AM, 1 run race PM Boys: Giant Slalom (GS): 1 – 1 run race AM, 1 run race PM
Sunday	2/8/2026	Girls: Slalom (SL): 1 run race AM, 1 run race PM Boys: Slalom (SL) 1 run race AM, 1 run race PM

Start Order (both days):

The Serpent (lower start): U12, U10, U8 girls, followed by U12, U10, U8 boys

The Serpent: U14, U16, U18, U20 girls, followed by U14, U16, U18, and U20 boys

Life Tickets:

Discounted race tickets available only through this link:

<https://reservations2.devilsheadresort.com/racetickets>

- Racer Single-Day Ticket: \$55 +tax (valid open to close)
- Racer Two-Day Ticket: \$110 +tax (valid open to close 2/7/2026 – 2/8/2026)
- Parent/Coach/Non-Racer Single Day Ticket: \$55 + tax (valid open to close)
- Parent/Coach/Non-Racer Two-Day Ticket: \$110 + tax (valid open to close) 2/7/2026 – 2/8/2026)

Daily Morning Schedule:

- 7:00am lift ticket pickup—Lift tickets purchased online through the racer page provided are redeemable on the day of use only. Tickets are not available Friday night for pick-up. Hotel guests may pick-up tickets at the Front Desk or via any of the kiosks each morning. Lift ticket kiosks and ticket offices with two staffed windows are available in Building K (Cliffhaus-lower level next to rentals) and Building M (Avalanche building). <https://www.devilsheadresort.com/ski-resort-mountain-sauk-merrimac-wi-wisconsin/trail-map/>
- 7:30 lift opens to Officials (Jury Member – MUST have an arm band)
- 7:30 lift opens for racers

- 7:40-7:55 course inspection by Officials/Jury
- 8:00 Gatekeepers Meeting at Smokies
- 8 - 8:10 Chestnut/Snow Star/ Hidden Valley Inspection
- 8:10-8:20 Wilmot Inspection
- 8:20-8:30 Blackhawk/Tyrol Inspection
- 8:30-8:40 Cascade Inspection
- 8:40-8:50 Sundown Inspection/Four lakes
- 8:50 Inspection Closed AND Forerunners and Gatekeepers in place • **9:00 Race 1 starts**

Notes:

1. Course Inspection: Classes U8 and U10 may slip the course if required. All others must inspect from outside the course. If the Jury resets courses, a second race inspection time will be announced by the jury with sufficient notice via the WIJARA radios.
2. Gatekeepers Meeting will be held on BOTH mornings at 8 AM at Smokies. Gatekeepers should be on course at 8:50 AM (walk up from bottom or ski down from top to marked gatekeeper location)
3. Each Giant Slalom (GS) race will consist of one stand-alone run. GS Race 2 will begin in the afternoon after at least a 30 minute break for timing and course maintenance.
4. DQ's and DNF's will be posted on the scoreboards at the bottom of each hill. Contact ***your coach*** if you receive a DQ or DNF. Your coach will discuss the infraction with the Jury (Referee, TD and/or Chief of Race).
5. Award Ceremony will occur at the conclusion of the race inside Smokies.

Coaches and Gatekeepers Passes

- Teams will receive one coach ticket per 10 racers, with a max of four coach tickets per team. Please email Jenny Dahlberg (jmdahlberg@gmail.com) with the names of coaches receiving lift tickets by Wednesday February 4th.
- Coach Tickets and officials' tickets will be available at Smokies race headquarters.
- Gatekeeper tickets will be available for gatekeepers who signed up via Sign-Up Genius. Gatekeepers' tickets will be available at Smokies race headquarters. ONLY gatekeepers who are on the Sign-Up Genius list will receive a gatekeeper lift ticket. **Gatekeepers INCLUDE THEIR TEAM NAME in the "comment" section of Sign Up Genius.**
- **Officials:** (TD, Chief of Race, Referee, Assistant Referee) *from visiting teams* will also receive a comp lift ticket which can be picked up at Smokies race headquarters in each Team's packet.
- **Coaches:** WIJARA radios and officials' bands will be available in the race organizer area of Smokies lodge. Officials' bands will not work for lift access. Lift tickets must be worn. Each WIJARA team needs a radio for important race day announcements. Radios may be picked up in Smokies each day and should be returned for charging each day.

WIJARA Race Venue:

- Races will be held on Serpent. Older athletes (U14 and older) will use the upper start on skier's right. Younger athletes (U12 and younger) will start at the lower elevation on skier's left.
- Devil's Head Resort lodges are also open to the public all weekend. Lodges should not be used to store race gear, boot bags, food, coolers, and other belongings. These items should be kept in race team members' vehicles.

- Smokies is located at the base of Serpent and will serve as race headquarters. Smokies will open each day at 7 AM. Due to this space being race headquarters (and not a large building), the Main Lodge (Cliffhaus) should be used for booting up, team gathering locations, warming up, etc. Please do not plan to have teams gather inside Smokies as space is limited and needed for race-day functions.

Carry In Food:

If you bring food, such as coolers, you must store these in your vehicle. Unattended bags or coolers will be moved from all other locations to allow room for other customers. Sleds are not allowed on the snow at Devils Head, even for pulling gear short distances. Carry in alcohol is not allowed. Plug-in devices of any kind are also not allowed at any lodges (Nesco's, microwaves, hot plates, coffee makers, etc.). Keep all carry-in food outside of the lodges.

Racers shall abide by any additional State, or Ski Area guidelines not mentioned herein.

Race Officials (* indicates Jury for each venue)

U8 – U12 The Serpent (lower start/skier's left)

*TD:	Matt Sadl - Hidden Valley
*Chief of Race:	Patrick Slattery - Blackhawk
Referee:	Joe May-Wilmot
Chief of Course:	Jenny Dahlberg-Blackhawk
Assistant Referee:	Andrew Schwartz -Wilmot*
Finish referee:	Blackhawk/Hidden Valley Volunteers
Line-up assistants:	Blackhawk/Hidden Valley Volunteers
Chief of timing:	Mark Pinero - WIJARA
Timing assistant:	BH and HV parent volunteers
Course Crew:	BH and HV Parent Volunteers

U14 – U20 Serpent (upper start/skier's right)

*TD:	Robin Roberts - Chestnut
*Chief of Race:	Steven Cohen - Blackhawk
Referee:	Jonathan Schwartz-Wilmot
Chief of Course:	Justin McNamar - Blackhawk
Assistant Referee:	Jordan VonBehren Blackhawk*
Finish referee:	Blackhawk/Hidden Valley Volunteers
Line-up Assistants:	Blackhawk/Hidden Valley Volunteers
Chief of timing:	Amberly Wilson-Blackhawk
Timing assistant:	BH and HV Parent Volunteers
Course Crew:	BH and HV Parent Volunteers
Head gatekeeper:	BH and HV Parent Volunteers*

*We request that Referees and Assistant Referees attend the gate keeper meeting each day to ensure clear communication between gate keepers and officials.