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FUNDRAISER WITH GREAT LAKES CATTLE CO.

A great way to benefit Pinnacle while putting USDA Prime meat in your freezer! Hormone and antibiotic free black angus beef. Delivery date is November. For more information: Shawn DeHart @ 248-229-1579. \$500 deposit at time of commitment

2022 GOLF OUTING

Thank you to everyone who participated in the 10th Annual Pinnacle Charity Golf Outing! The event was a great success.

A special thank you to our Gold Sponsor Secure Inventors Group.

If you have not already, check out pictures taken at the event by K Gedda Smith Images! www.pinnussa.com/golf



CR3 COMMUNICATION

All Pinnacle families must sign up for Region 3 CUSSA communications.

Visit <https://www.region3cussa.org/> and follow the link to the 2022-2023 CR3 Email Sign Up.

FITNESS ASSESSMENT

The Region 3 Fitness Assessment will be held October 30 at 2SP in Madison Heights. Pinnacle athletes must purchase a competitors license as well as register for the fitness assessment at: <https://my.uskiandsnowboard.org/>

After completing the registration above, use the link below to sign up for a time slot.

FITNESS REGISTRATION

PARENT MEETINGS

Parent meetings will be held the following dates.

Attend *one* for your age group- any location

Oct 26: 7pm @ Alpine Valley | u16 and u18

Oct 27: FIS

Oct 30: 4:30pm @ Alpine Valley | U14, u12, Ascent Jr.

Nov 1: 7pm @ Pine Knob | u16 and u18

Nov 9: 6:30 pm @ Pine Knob | u14, u12, Ascent Jr.

ALPINE OFFICIALS CLINIC

Tentative dates are in the works for the 2022-23 Alpine Officials Clinic. The AO Clinic prepares our parent volunteers for jobs that are necessary for the races to be held. It is imperative that our parents volunteer in both licensed and non-licensed volunteer positions, or the races cannot happen.

Region 3 needs parents for licensed positions such as Timing and Calc, Referees, Start Referees, Finish Referees, and Chief of Course. Tentative dates are: November 2- Online Update, November 5th-6th at Nubs Nob, and November 12-13th at Mt. Holly. We will post further information once available at www.pinnussa.com

USED GEAR MARKETPLACE

The race season is rapidly approaching! Got used gear to sell? Looking for some gear for the upcoming season? Check out the Used Gear Marketplace page on the Pinnacle website! <https://www.pinnussa.com/usedgear>

If you would like to list an item or remove items, please contact Pam Musial @ fathersrt@aol.com.

SCORED VS. UNSCORED RACES

The question comes up quite often with u12 /u14 and u16 racers what does "scored and non-scored" races mean. In terms of races being "scored," it simply means that racers in that race will receive points for that race that go on their racer profile record. If the race is not-scored, then the racers place will only be noted in their profile. Each type of race has its own merit in the development of a ski racer. The points system is designed to give an athlete more insight on their current ability.

Scored racing profiles start at the age of u14s. Until recently u14s were only able to be scored two times in a season, however that rule has evolved so that they may enter as many scored races available. A u14 may have a schedule of scored and non-scored races. All u 12 racers are considered non-scored because racers at the u12 age do not get factored into the points scoring system. There is a large debate on points, how important they are, and when should they be used. At Pinnacle we use them as one of our metrics to see improvement in our u14 and older racers. However, scoring is not always the most important factor in our racer's development. Races that are "non-scored" can still give great value to our racers in that the race environment that includes athletes, hill, and culture can be very valuable to a racers overall development. For scored races quality matters. Each race is assessed a penalty based on the strength of field and race times of finishers.

This article has an useful example of how scoring works within ski racing:

https://skiracing.com/ski-racing_pointranking_system/

2023 SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Elke Roeser

Clarkston High School

When did you learn to ski?

I started to learn to ski at 18 months. My dad starting taking me to Pine Knob and Boyne Mountain.

When did you start ski racing?

I started racing with Thunderbolt Racing at about 7 years old, but did Nastar as soon as my dad could sign me up.

How long have you been racing with Pinnacle?

5 years

What is your favorite Pinnacle memory?

Skiing at Mt. Hood because I got amazing training and the views were beautiful.



What do you like to do during the off season/when you are not training?

I am on the Cross Country team at CHS and love to read in my spare time.

What are your plans for next year?

I plan to go to college, not sure which one yet. I plan to study Aerospace Engineering.



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INTRODUCING ASCENT SKI RACING: POWERED BY PINNACLE

We are excited to announce our Jr. Devo and High School Devo teams has a fresh new name! **Ascent Ski Racing** is designed to give high-quality training to athletes that choose not to compete in US Ski races, or to racers who are just experiencing competitive ski racing for the first time. The Ascent program utilizes best practices, training philosophies, and recommendations from US Ski, over the course of a full season,, providing the volume and skill development to become a future star of the sport.

Junior Ascent Ski Racing is a proven program preparing racers from age 6-13 for Pinnacle Racing and/or future High School Racing. The program is 1-3 days of training at Alpine Valley or 2-3 days of training at Pine Knob/Mt. Holly. This is a fun and rewarding experience which takes advantage of the Sunday Race Series.

High School Ascent Ski Racing is designed for High School racers looking for more volume and great coaching to support their current high school ski racing, with the goal of preparing for the State Finals. JV and Varsity racers are welcome to take advantage of training at Pine Knob and Schuss (The Face). The unique calendar allows for an efficient progression preparing athletes for future experiences by the mix of intermediate and steep training slopes.

FITNESS ASSESSMENT

The Region 3 Fitness Assessment will be held October 30 at 2SP in Madison Heights. In order to register, Ascent athletes must have purchased a general license from US Ski. <https://my.us skiandsnowboard.org/>

After purchase, complete the registration linked below. The fitness assessment for Ascent athletes is \$8 due at the time of registration.

[FITNESS REGISTRATION](#)

POWERED BY PINNACLE

Ascent Ski Racing is proud to be Powered by Pinnacle. This means that ASR will have the same overall training philosophies, equipment, and staff as previous years. ASR staff is excited to work with, and develop, future Pinnacle US Ski competitive members!

ASCENT GEAR

Ascent Ski Racing gear is in the works! We will update the Ascent Ski Racing website and send out a REMIND when options and ordering become available.

2022-23 REGISTRATION

Registration for the 2022-23 Ascent Ski Racing season is now open. Follow the link to register for the inaugural class of athletes!

[ASCENT REGISTRATION](#)

BE SURE TO GET ASR UPDATES!
TEXT @23ascentjr to 81010
www.ascentkiracing.com