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ONTARIO'S MEGARRY AND BISNAIRE WIN NATIONAL K2 SLALOM TITLES
Ontario takes four of six podium spots in Slalom at President's Choice Canadian K2 Championships

VERNON, BC (March 26th, 2008) – Ontario's Morgan Megarry (Collingwood, ON) and Samantha Bisnaire (Toronto, ON) carved their way to national K2 slalom titles at the President's Choice Canadian K2 Championships today at what was a snowy Silver Star Mountain Resort.

Megarry, from the Craigleith Ski Club, led the opening run on the Men's side of today's national championship for 13 and 14-year-old ski racers by nearly two seconds and then cruised to an easy victory, finishing in a two-run combined time of one minute 29.60 seconds.

"In my first run, the snow and everything just felt great. I really charged and it was a great run," said Megarry.

"In the second run, I had to decide whether to be aggressive or to hold back a little. The last thing that I heard before I left the gate was that (the racer before Megarry) DNF'd. So I decided to step off the gas a little and just let the skis run and things turned out alright."

A spectacular second run helped Guillaume Vermette (Ste-Anne-des-Lacs, QC) capture second place with Fraser Bruce (Toronto, ON) taking third.

On the Ladies side, Bisnaire said she has been delighted with the way her slalom skiing has been of late, culminating with the victory today in a two-run combined time of 1:40.45.

"(Slalom) hasn't really been a strength of mine in the past but recently I have been doing well in it. Today was one of my better runs and it was a lot of fun," said Bisnaire, the Ladies overall and giant slalom K2 Ontario provincial champion.

"This means a lot. It's pretty exciting to think that I earned the title of top Canadian K2 girl in the slalom," Bisnaire added.

Devon Clarke (Waterloo, ON) made it four Ontario athletes in the six podiums spots, finishing in second place with Tianda Carroll (Jasper, AB) finding the podium for the second time this week, grabbing the third spot today.

The Ladies have the Gypsy Queen piste at Silver Star Mountain Resort near Vernon, B.C. all to themselves tomorrow as the President's Choice Canadian K2 Championships continue with the Ladies giant slalom. The Men will complete the program with a giant slalom on Friday.

VERNON, BC – MARCH 26TH, 2008 – MEN'S – SLALOM

Rank	Bib	Name	Club	Result 1	Result 2	Combined
1	14	MEGARRY, Morgan	ON	44.65 (1)	44.95 (2)	1:29.60
2	26	VERMETTE, Guillaume	QC	46.41 (5)	44.40 (1)	1:30.81
3	31	BRUCE, Fraser	ON	46.80 (7)	45.46 (4)	1:32.26
4	1	STEFANIC, Drew	USA	46.46 (6)	46.10 (13)	1:32.56
5	9	MORRIS, Spencer	BC	46.98 (9)	45.67 (6)	1:32.65
6	7	SUGAR, Geoffrey	ON	46.84 (8)	45.93 (8)	1:32.77
7	5	PARENT, Philippe	QC	45.73 (4)	47.08 (27)	1:32.81
8	61	WHALEN, Connor	ON	47.52 (10)	46.17 (14)	1:33.69
9	19	NEESON, Finlay	BC	47.88 (14)	45.95 (9)	1:33.83
10	45	BOUCHER, Tommy	QC	47.69 (13)	46.53 (20)	1:34.22

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Rank	Bib	Name	Club	Result 1	Result 2	Combined
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1	13	BISNAIRE, Samantha CLARKE,	ON	49.40 (2)	51.05 (1)	1:40.45
2	20	Devon CARROLL,	ON	49.77 (4)	51.29 (3)	1:41.06
3	4	Tianda	AB	49.11 (1)	52.32 (9)	1:41.43
4	14	TIMOSHENK O, Elyse	BC	49.69 (3)	52.06 (7)	1:41.75
5	27	LAMOUREU X, Alexina	QC	50.73 (8)	51.61 (5)	1:42.34
6	51	HAYES, Emily	USA	51.53 (14)	51.43 (4)	1:42.96
7	9	MICHALIK, Victoria	AB	50.44 (6)	52.73 (12)	1:43.17
8	5	MULLIN, Catherine	USA	50.77 (9)	52.60 (10)	1:43.37
9	6	LAMOUREU X, Katerine	QC	50.61 (7)	52.94 (13)	1:43.55
10	23	HASKELL, Mardene	USA	50.99 (10)	52.69 (11)	1:43.68

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NOTE: Skis are required for all media and spectators to get to the finish area.

ABOUT THE PRESIDENT'S CHOICE CANADIAN K2 ALPINE CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 2008 President's Choice K2 Canadian Alpine Championships take place at Silver Star Mountain Resort near Vernon, BC from March 24th to 28th. The event involves approximately 160 13 and 14 year-old ski racers from across the country competing for Men's and Ladies super G, super combined, giant slalom and slalom titles. For more information on the President's Choice Canadian K2 Alpine Championships please visit the official website at www.k2championships.com.

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