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Annual BBQ at the Pondage.

The annual BBQ will be held at the pondage on **Sunday 23rd November** from 5.30pm for a 6pm start. Families bring a salad and dessert to share. Singles/Couples bring a salad or dessert. The club will provide meat (veggie burgers available) and bread. BYO chairs, drinks, crockery and cutlery. In the case of inclement weather, the BBQ will be held under the verandah at the Hoppet Office.

Hoppet Podium Photographs with BNSC members as indicated, one third of the place getters.



Kangaroo Hoppet Podium Women
Valentina Shevchenko, Esther Bottomley
(BNSC) (missing Barbara Jezersek)



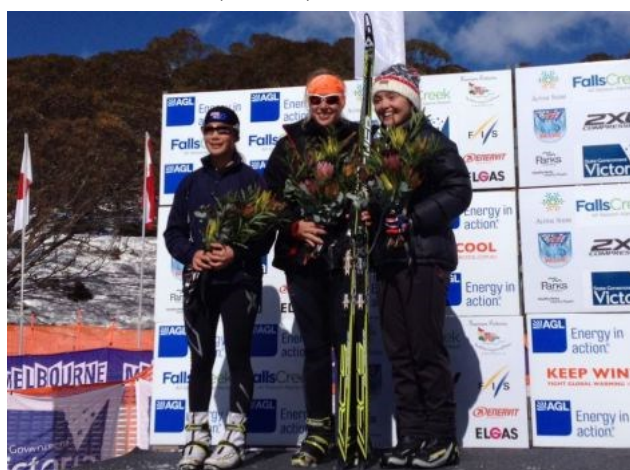
Kangaroo Hoppet Podium Men
Phillip Bellingham (BNSC), Valerio Leccardi,
Paul Kovacs (BNSC)



Australian Birkebeiner Podium Women
Kat Paul (BNSC), Casey Wright (BNSC),
Aislinn Kildea (BNSC)



Australian Birkebeiner Podium Men
Jackson Bursill, Damon Morton, Mark Pollock



Joey Hoppet Podium Women
Darcie Morton, Gabrielle Hawkins, Stella Ajani



Joey Hoppet Podium Men
Hugh Pollard (BNSC), Matt Bull, Finlay
Clarke

Photos filched from <http://ausxc.com/>

Hoppet Day



Start Officials: left to right: Meg Crebbin & Brigitte Hammer (Swiss)



Start Officials: left to right: Peter Panozzo, Jenny Farrington, John Bailey, Phil Evans and Rob Boland



Half Way Drink Station: Wangaratta Ski Club on the job

Start Officials: 'such enthusiasm'

Peter Panozzo's 'art work'



National Championships



Three officials at National Distance Champs: left to right: Roni McDowell, Jackie Kildea and Helen L'Huillier



Officials around Marso's Elgas Heater 'doing it tough'. Ken Harvey wants one for the Sun Valley far checkpoint!



Hard working Race Secretary Marg Trnka 'on the job'.



National Distance Champs start: left to right Bob Flower, Steve McDowell and Roger Blackwell.



National Distance Champs: The Silvester family 'finish drink station'.



National Distance Champs: Keeps 'marshalling the troops'



National Sprint Champs: Racer Kat Paul.
 Officials: left to right: Ronice Goebel (marshal), Andrew Walker (starter), Ric Spiller (wand) and Paul Gray (on the pad).

Nationals (close up and personal): left to right: Jessica Yeaton (our new Ozzie) and Esther Bottomley.

Photos courtesy Paul L'Huillier

Cross Country Skiing National Team Selection 2014-2015

Provisional pending acceptance of invitation

	Men	Women
World Cup Team	Callum Watson Phillip Bellingham ●	Esther Bottomley ● Aimee Watson
Continental Cup Team	Paul Kovacs ●	Jessica Yeaton ¹ Casey Wright ● Anna Trnka ●
AUS U23 Team	Jackson Bursill ² Nick Montgomery ●	Casey Wright Anna Trnka
AUS Junior Team	Damon Morton Hamish Roberts ● Hugh Pollard ● Abe Wright ● Liam Burton Finlay Clarke Matt Bull ³	Xanthea Dewez ² Kat Paul ● Gabi Hawkins Stella Ajani Darcie Morton

¹ Part qualified for World Cup Team. One result needed.

² Part qualified for Continental Cup Team. One result needed.

³ Post-Selected

2015 World Championship Pre-Qualification ⁴

World Championship	Phillip Bellingham (A) Callum Watson (A) Paul Kovacs (B) Jackson Bursill (B) Ben Sim (B)	Esther Bottomley (A) Jessica Yeaton (A) Xanthea Dewez (A) Casey Wright (B) Anna Trnka (B) Aimee Watson (B) Kat Paul (B)
World U23 Championship	Nick Montgomery (A) Jackson Bursill (A)	Anna Trnka (A) Casey Wright (A)
World Junior Championship	Damon Morton (B)	Xanthea Dewez (A) Kat Paul (A)
World University Winter Games	Callum Watson (A) Phillip Bellingham (A) Jackson Bursill (A) Nick Montgomery (B) Mark Pollock (B)	Jessica Yeaton (A) Anna Trnka (B) Casey Wright (B)

⁴ Qualification for all events excluding WUWG still open until 1-2 weeks before event commencement. Final selection to be ratified after final qualification deadlines. ● Birkebeiner Nordic Ski Club member



Hoppet tent inspection



John Bailey up the pole (Hoppet flag installation)



These are not ‘gnomes’ but part of pre-Hoppet tent inspection

Photos courtesy Paul L'Huillier

Membership Renewal

I intend recommending to the committee that next year we leave Regonline and manage our own membership. The stuff ups we experienced this year have still not been resolved to my satisfaction, and given the difficulties some people experienced I reckon we can do it at least as well ourselves. Watch the newsletter, the facebook page and the website for more details.

Editor wanted

I wish to flag my intention of not continuing as editor and membership secretary next year. I have been editor this time for fifteen years and I reckon it's time for someone else to have a go. I will write a job description soon for the editor's job and the membership secretary's job as well.