

SNOWSPORT ENGLAND NORDIC FESTIVAL 2022

Brownlee Centre, Leeds, 18th-19th June

Introduction

If you're a cross-country skier, there's only one place to be in June 2022, and that's the Brownlee Centre, Leeds, for the Snowsport England Nordic Festival! An exciting and interesting combination of activities will be offered: coaching, racing, talks and walking tours, for all levels of skier from beginners to advanced. We aim to get the greatest number of roller skiers together in one place, at one time, in Britain, ever.



Britain needs YOU, on roller skis, in June

Interested? Of course you are, so read on!

When

The Festival takes place from Friday 17th (evening) to Sunday 19th June 2022. On Friday, there will be an evening meal together, allowing people to travel to Leeds to start activities on Saturday morning and return home comfortably on Sunday evening.

Where



Track activities will take place at the Brownlee Centre (above) to the north of Leeds, while walking/ski bounding tours will take place in the wider Yorkshire area.

The circuit is excellent for all aspects of roller skiing; 1.6 km long, smooth surface and with enough climbing to make it interesting but without being scary or dangerous. The circuit is wide enough for mass start races.

There's the clubhouse where talks will take place, where lunch can be eaten and refreshments supplied, and with the usual toilet and changing facilities. There is ample parking at the Centre, too.



Clubhouse and track



Conference room



The 'hill'

Programme

The outline programme for the three days is the following:

Friday 17th June

- 19:00-19:30 Arrival at restaurant, Leeds, venue to be announced.
- 19:30 Evening meal.

Saturday 18th June

- All day Personal skiing at Brownlee Centre
- 10:00-16:00 Walking tour(s), Yorkshire Dales, venues to be announced.
- 10:00-16:00 Ski bounding tour, Ilkley Moor.
- 10:00-17:00 Brownlee Centre: para-skier and beginners coaching.
- 17:00-17:30 Talk: "Elite racing, an activity for the few? Training schedules and guidance for all British skiers" by Special guests to be announced
- 17:30-18:00 Talk, "The British para-nordic programme" Fern Cates and GB Para Nordic athlete.
- 19:30 Evening meal at restaurant, Leeds.



Just to remind you of what racing (in the rain) is – rain will be banned in June 2022

Sunday 19th June

- All day Personal skiing at Brownlee Centre
- 08:30-09:30 Arrival at Centre and race warm up.
- 09:30-11:00 15 km free technique mass start, Marwe 610/620 skate rollers or slower, all age categories (also shorter, 3.0 and 7.5 km, races), with inclusion of para-skiers; 2022 British Championship
- 11:00-12:30 Coaching, all levels, including elite Masterclass.
- 12:30-13:30 Lunch break
- 12:30-13:00 Talk: “Masters skiing, an activity for all?” Adam Pinney and Roger Homyer.
- 13:00-13:30 Talk: “The British Nordic Development Squad”
- 13:30-15:00 Coaching, all levels, including elite Masterclass.
- 15:00-16:00 Club relay race, 2 x classic (Swenor Alutech or slower), 2 x free technique (Marwe 610/620 or slower), 2 laps each.
- 15:00-16:00 SkiErg challenge, all age categories.
- 16:00 End of activities and departure.



This could be you, in June!

For the races, you are permitted to bring and use your own roller skis, and we encourage all participants to stick to the suggested make/type of rollers; we will have a small stock of rollers available for those who don't have Marwe 610/620s and/or Swenor Alutech.

For the walking/ski bounding tours, transport will be available from course hotels at 09:30. They will be of different lengths/difficulties and use, as much as possible, non-trafficked routes. We will try to find routes which offer lunch facilities or, where this isn't feasible, you can bring your own packed lunch. All tours will have a leader.

For the club relay races, we encourage teams to be made up of skiers all from the same club. We will, though, accept *hors concours* teams where skiers are not all from the same club. Mixed, male/female teams are also permitted.

The elite Masterclass coaching on Sunday will hopefully involve one of the British World Cup Squad coaches.

Accommodation

We will be booking rooms at two Travelodge Hotels, both within 2.5 miles of the Centre: the Leeds Central Vicar Lane and the Leeds Central, and at the Premier Inn, Headingley, at 4 miles from the centre. Current prices suggest £50 per person/night bed and breakfast, based on two people sharing. Accommodation is not included in the cost of the event, but if you wish to use one of these two hotels, we will tell you the actual cost.



Travelodge Leeds Central Vicar Lane

You are, of course, free to make your own arrangements. There a very wide choice of hotels and AirBNB places available within easy reach of the Centre.

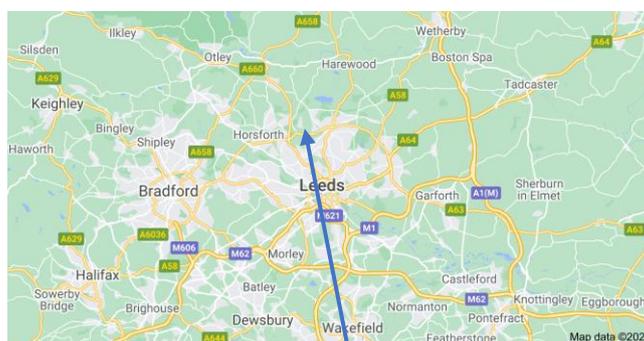
Cost

We would like as many people as possible to participate in all activities over the full event, but we also accept that this might not be possible for everyone. Consequently, a number of different cost options are offered. Activities at the Centre all include the talks and refreshments but not meals:

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| - all activities, adult | £120 |
| - all activities, under 18 | £60 |
| - races only, adults | £20 |
| - races only, under 18 | £10 |
| - coaching/tour only, adult | £80 |
| - coaching/tour only, under 18 | £40 |
| - para-skier activities, adult | £120 |
| - para-skier activities, under 18 | £60 |
| - personal skiing, adult | £10 |
| - personal skiing, under 18 | £5 |

For ski activities, participants who are not members of a UK ski club will be charged an additional fee per day for insurance. Equipment hire is also available; see the booking form.

Entries will not be accepted on the day, so make sure that you book, via the Snowsport England website before the deadline.



You will be here, in June 2022

What to do next

If you need any further information, please contact any of the Festival organisers:

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| - Adam Pinney, aapinney@gmail.com | All activities |
| - Roger Homyer, roger.homyer@hotmail.co.uk | All activities |
| - Fern Cates, ferncates@gmail.com | Para-skier activities |

To book your place at the Festival, please complete the Entry Form on the Snowsport England web page, <https://www.snowsportengland.org.uk/> by the 4th June. Once your place has been confirmed, you will receive confirmation from Snowsport England.