

Biathlon Race #3, 11 January 2009, Surpersprint Format

Our first try at a supersprint race was somewhat a learning process; when we do it again, we'll need to make some changes to achieve a better fit to abilities of local athletes rather than hold to all of the IBU World Cup standards. Also, I'm sure the shooting overall would have been better had the temperature not been hovering around zero where trigger fingers are less sensitive and Federal ammunition shows a much greater spread than at higher temperatures. That said, we had 13 racers who were willing to endure the cold conditions in the qualifier race, and then six who raced again in the final. Only the final was timed, and clean shooting bouts were not recorded uniformly so shooting results aren't shown. It is notable that Chris Burgess cleaned his two bouts in the qualifier, and Sam Dougherty and Seiji Takagi cleaned three of four bouts in the final.

Final Race: PPSS, 5 x 800m, 5 + 3 rounds

Name*	Time
Sam Dougherty	18:58
Seiji Takagi	19:20**
Chris Burgess	20:55
Lauren Kostoff	21:14
Mike Truskowski	21:44
Chuck Gilbert	23:40

* Also racing in the qualifier: Stephanie Dow, Kevin Dow, Zoey Grenier, Jasmine Neeno, Chris Tomsen (0,0,0,2 in final), Connor Truskowski, Mackenzie Wonders.

** Shot large targets and raced the 540m course (0,0,0,0 in final).