



**NORDIC SKIING
ASSOCIATION
OF ANCHORAGE**

ABOUT NSAA

Formed in 1964 by passionate skiers and trails visionaries, the Nordic Skiing Association of Anchorage's (NSAA) staff and volunteers continue fostering a vibrant Nordic skiing community and healthy Alaskans. NSAA engages thousands of Alaskans of all ages, skiing and fitness levels by offering unique and inspiring Nordic skiing programs, hosting a series of challenging and fun events, and providing year-round maintenance of Anchorage's world class trails.

PROGRAMS

Junior Nordic – Each ski season, 1,000 children learn Nordic skiing techniques, as well as a love of outdoor activities and healthy lifestyles

Ski jumping and Nordic combined – Passionate jumpers, coaches and volunteers, and an ever-improving jumping facility, have made this program one of the nation's finest

Biathlon – More Alaska athletes than ever are joining this challenging, fun and safe sport and NSAA supports growing programs and a state-of-the-art facility

Nordic skiing for Anchorage's youth – NSAA hosts races for more than 1,500 junior high and high school athletes and supports Nordic skiing programs at schools that includes thousands of elementary students

Backcountry tours – Skiers get off the grid for exploration, adventure and exercise on these planned journeys

EVENTS

Tour of Anchorage – NSAA's signature race spans Anchorage's trail system and draws thousands, from weekend warriors to Olympians

Ski for Women – North America's largest women-only cross-country ski event, and one of Alaska's most popular and powerful fundraisers, brings women together for an enjoyable day of supporting Alaska's women and children in need

Ski 4 Kids – Fun races and cool challenges at this popular community event introduce hundreds of children to Nordic skiing while also encouraging active lifestyles

Ski Train – Each year, around 700 fun-loving and snow-loving passengers take an unforgettable day trip into the backcountry with the Alaska Railroad

Winter Solstice Tree Tour – Hundreds of community members ski, snowshoe and even walk the Kincaid Park's trails to ooh and ahh at decorated holiday trees and celebrate winter; it's free, fun for all ages and supports NSAA's trails work

AMH Anchorage Cup – This race series offers something for all skiers – families, wool-and-wood-ski traditionalists, and Anchorage's top skiers at all ages

Besh Cup – NSAA supports this statewide race series that draws skiers of all ages, including Alaska's top youth

OPERATIONS

Trail grooming – In the best and worst winters, NSAA's operations team creates the best skiing conditions possible on trails from Eagle River to Kincaid Park to Hillside Ski Area

Trail maintenance – In the Nordic offseason, NSAA staff uses experience and specialized equipment to repair, improve and sustain Anchorage's trails

Snowmaking – NSAA operates Kincaid Park snowmaking equipment that can create snow and allow Anchorage to host national and international events that have been cancelled or shortened in the past

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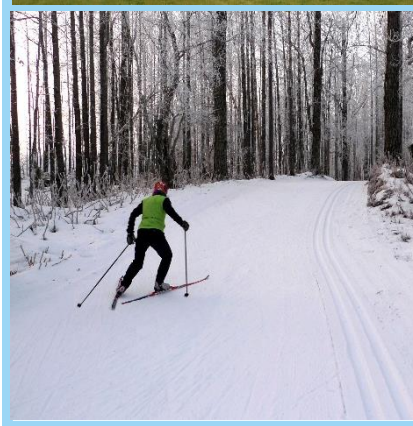
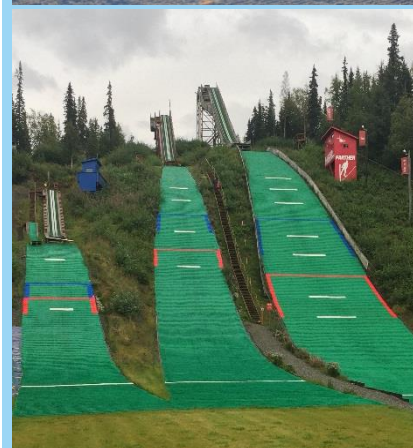


NSAA 2016-2017 SKI SEASON



BY THE NUMBERS

- Nearly **2,900 NSAA members** supported events, programs and the mission of the club
- Nearly **9,600** people participated in **53** NSAA competitive and recreational events and numerous programs; **78 percent** of participants were **18 and younger**; events were fueled by over **18,900 volunteer hours**
- Thousands of skiers logged an estimated **58,000 recreational hours** on Anchorage-area trails that were groomed on **159 days**; runners, walk walkers and bikers benefit from NSAA's year-round commitment to **150 kilometers** of Anchorage-area's trail system
- Nearly **590 youth skiers** and over **100 coaches** continued the NSAA Junior Nordic program's history of success
- NSAA donated **\$51,500** to Anchorage-area nonprofits and school programs, and provided nearly **7,000** Anchorage-area children with access to Nordic skiing equipment, races and coaching, as well as other outdoor activities
- **Close to 100** youth ski jumpers recorded **7,770 hours** on the Karl Eid Jumps during the winter and summer season; **\$17,000 in local in-kind donations** of material and labor continue to enhance the facility to ensure jumping grows
- In **1** single day, Ski for Women put over **850 women** on skis and costumes while the Tour of Anchorage boasted close to **900 participants** on **25-kilometer, 40-kilometer or 50-kilometer groomed trails** across Anchorage
- Close to **50 athletes** participated in NSAA's Eagle Eyes program while over 105 competed in Biathlon races and safety clinics; biathletes also logged more than **350 recreational hours** of range use during range openings
- An enthusiastic group of nearly **660 passengers** rode the annual Ski Train to Curry
- NSAA's adult ski lessons drew **23 students**, thanks to AARP Alaska partnership
- ASD High school and middle school racing flourished thanks to NSAA course set up, volunteer officials and NSAA groomed trails; a busy season of instilling the love of trails to our youth with **17 race days** in less than **3 months**



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