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XC Chelsea Masters Raise over \$3600 for Elite Junior Racers in Third Annual “Masters for Juniors” Race

Local ski club, XC Chelsea Masters, amazed by the generosity of local skiers and retailers

Chelsea, Qc, January 21, 2015 - XC Chelsea Masters (XCCM), the region’s largest Masters cross-country ski club, fund-raised more than \$3600 at their third annual “Masters for Juniors” race on Sunday, January 18th 2015 at Nakkertok South in Cantley, Quebec. With ninety-four racers of all ages and categories showing up to race the technical 1.4km sprint course, the fundraiser was much more successful than previous years. XCCM president Natalya Kuziak said, “We tripled the money raised last year”. The money was raised to support elite junior and U23 athletes from the National Capital District (NCD) on their way to Kazakhstan this February to race in the World Juniors and Under 23 Championships.

Three-time M4J beneficiary, Katherine Stewart-Jones, was present to sound the starting horn as racers set off in three waves: men’s, women’s and mixed. Teams of two completed three laps each on this fast course which included, for those who are familiar with the World Cup race trails of Nakkertok, Dirk’s Dive and Jackrabbit Hill. Race results are posted on [Zone4](#) and will count towards the NCD race series point competition.

The real winners of this event were the athletes on their way to Kazakhstan who will each receive over \$1200 from the funds raised:

1. Katherine Stewart-Jones, Nakkertok
2. Sophie Carrier-Laforte, Skinouk
3. Sebastien Townsend, Nakkertok

XC Chelsea Masters wishes to thank the generous sponsors who made this event such a great success: Nakkertok Nordic, Greg Christie’s Ski And Cycle Works, Peter Hamilton Sales, Fresh Air Experience, The Cyclery, PECCO’S, Gatineau Nordique Sport, Mountain Equipment Coop (MEC), Bushtukah, The Canadian Ski Marathon, Bougie Doozey, Les Saisons, Pizza Luigi, Mamma Teresa’s, Chelsea Pub, Chelsea Shawarma, Urban Hair Loft Salon, and members of XC Chelsea Masters who donated merchandise or gifts.





About XC Chelsea Masters

XC Chelsea Masters is a National Capital District (NCD) cross-country ski club with programming for masters athletes in the Ottawa-Outaouais region. XCCM has over ninety members and eleven coaches. With the support of its sponsors – Fresh Air Experience and The Cyclery – XCCM develops masters athletes for continued pursuit of excellence in cross country skiing. For more information about XCCM, please visit us at xchelseamasters.com.

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