

Sun Valley and Waterville Valley to Host the Toyota U.S. Alpine and Freestyle Ski National Championships

PARK CITY, UTAH (October 10, 2022) – U.S. Ski & Snowboard confirms a two-year deal with resorts in Sun Valley, Idaho, and Waterville Valley, New Hampshire to host the Toyota U.S. Alpine National Championships and the Toyota U.S. Freestyle National Championships through the 2024 season.

“Sun Valley and Waterville have a proven track record of hosting competitions and we could not be more excited to have them on board for the next two years,” says Eric Webster, Director of Events at U.S. Ski & Snowboard. “U.S. Ski & Snowboard is excited to support the organizing committees and look forward to cheering on the athletes, many of whom are currently on the U.S. Ski & Snowboard Team rosters.”

Each year, the Toyota U.S. National Championships bring top athletes from each division and a handful of international racers to storied national venues. Both locations have experienced organizing committees and involved ski clubs that have put on large-scale events in the past, including NorAm Championships, World Cups, Junior Nationals and other notable winter competitions.

Alpine Nationals in the West

From April 2-5, Sun Valley Resort will host the 2023 Toyota U.S. Alpine Championships with both men and women competing in slalom, giant slalom and super-G events. The course in Sun Valley has a storied history of alpine racing, along with technical and challenging terrain, and will feature local U.S. Alpine Ski Team athletes such as Ryder Sarchett, Jack Smith and Dasha Romanov.

“As the first destination ski resort in North America, we are proud to be a location where history and memories are made. We last hosted the U.S. Alpine Championships in 2018, and we are looking forward to welcoming back athletes to our beautiful community, where people have come to enjoy the incredible terrain and experience since 1936,” said Sun Valley Resort Director of Marketing & PR Bridget Higgins. “Sun Valley’s history is steeped in unifying competition and team camaraderie, and we’re looking forward to seeing friendly and healthy competition foster incredible performances. We are so proud that three Sun Valley Ski Education Foundation members are on the team.”

Freestyle Champs in the East

Freestyle skiing lies at the heart of the Waterville Valley and the community of Mount Tecumseh is excited to welcome back world-class freestyle athletes to the “Birthplace of Freestyle Skiing.” Waterville Valley has hosted several competitions in years past and many legendary freestyle skiers have competed on this mountain, namely Wayne Wong, Doug Pfeiffer, Nick Preston and 2x Olympic medalist Hannah Kearney.

“Waterville Valley is home to a thriving community of young athletes, from the BBTS Snowsports Club to the Waterville Valley Academy,” says Sarah Van Kralingen, Marketing and Communications Manager at Waterville Valley Resort. “We hope events like this will inspire and influence aspiring young athletes, demonstrating the phenomenal skill, athleticism and sportsmanship involved in freestyle skiing.”

The moguls and dual moguls events will take place at Waterville Valley Resort on locals’ favorite Lower Bobby’s Run—a steep and technical track perfectly positioned for spectators at the base.

The full schedule of races will be available closer to the event.

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About Sun Valley Resort

Sun Valley Resort was founded in 1936 as America’s first destination ski resort. Located in the Idaho mountains, it is truly a four-season resort with a wide array of activities. With more than 3,400 vertical feet and over 2,300 acres of skiable terrain, Sun Valley offers skiers and boarders an exceptional and varied experience. Bald Mountain has 12 chairlifts, 100 runs, and family and beginner-friendly Dollar Mountain offers two high-speed quads, a terrain park-

and the Silver Dollar Carpet for ease of access and learning appeal. Sun Valley is a member of The Grand America Hotels and Resorts family. Sister properties include Snowbasin Ski Resort, The Grand America Hotel, Little America Hotel (all Salt Lake City, Utah); The Westgate Hotel, San Diego, Calif.; Little America Flagstaff, Ariz.; Little America, Wyo., and Little America, Cheyenne, Wyo.

Sun Valley is served by Hailey's Friedman Memorial Airport (SUN). The airport is located 14 miles from the resort and is easily accessed from six major cities: San Francisco (SFO), Seattle (SEA), Los Angeles (LAX), Salt Lake City (SLC), Denver (DEN), and Chicago (ORD). All Sun Valley Resort guests receive complimentary roundtrip airport transportation.

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About Waterville Valley Resort

Home of the Kids Ski Free Pass, Waterville Valley Resort is New Hampshire's Family Resort, offering a plethora of year-round family-friendly activities. With 265 acres of alpine skiing terrain, 72 kilometers of Nordic Ski trails, and 125 miles of hiking trails, the potential for exploration is endless. Enjoy slopeside family-friendly après-ski, specialty cocktails, live music, and fireworks; or discover the serenity of the White Mountains via alpine skiing, hiking, Nordic skiing, snowshoeing, fat biking, or mountain biking!

About U.S. Ski & Snowboard

U.S. Ski & Snowboard is the Olympic National Governing Body (NGB) of ski and snowboard sports in the USA, based in Park City, Utah. Tracing its roots directly back to 1905, the organization represents nearly 200 elite skiers and snowboarders in 2022, competing in seven teams; alpine, cross country, freeski, freestyle, snowboard, nordic combined, and ski jumping. In addition to the fully-funded elite teams, U.S. Ski & Snowboard also provides leadership and direction for tens of thousands of young skiers and snowboarders across the USA, encouraging and supporting them in achieving excellence. By empowering national teams, clubs, coaches, parents, officials, volunteers, and fans, U.S. Ski & Snowboard is committed to the progression of its sports, athlete success, and the value of team. For more information, visit www.usskiandsnowboard.org.