

Walden Cross Country - Club Coach - On-line posting notice:

We are currently seeking a Club Coach to add to our coaching group, to lead our youth and racing programs, with a primary focus on the Walden Nordic Racers (WNR) ski team.

- The team is comprised of 20 athletes, ranging from ages 11-18 who ski both Classic and Skate Techniques
- The athletes range from novice racers to athletes qualifying for the National Team Development Centre
- The team is a fun-loving, high-energy, motivated and mutually supportive group

Qualified candidates who hold current "Learn 2 Train"; a willingness to work towards "Train 2 Train" or "Learn 2 Compete" levels (tuition sponsored by the Club) and; have experience in motivating student athletes, who are upbeat and engaging are encouraged to apply. We are seeking candidates who possess good communication skills, the ability to honestly critique skier technique and show an aptitude for making practices fun and work as a motivational leader of our team.

The successful candidate will:

- Lead the WNR race team by
 - Running the regular practices, both dryland and on snow
 - Working with the rest of the coaching staff on establishing training plans for Tier 1A athletes with regular check-ins and revision/adaptations based on progress
 - Attending all out of town races (O-Cups, Easterns, Youth Championships and Nationals) and in-town races with athletes and providing race support as required. Please note that expenses for travel, food and lodging will be covered by the team.
 - o Conducting off-season and pre-season training camps, with support from the rest of the coaching staff
- Oversee the other Youth Programs (Bunnies, Jack Rabbits, Lynx and Track Attack ages 4-12) to provide overall direction
 of the programs. While not being responsible for the lesson planning or instruction, this person will co-ordinate the broad
 program for consistency and sequential development between stages
- Participate in the planning and lead the execution of the "Night Race Series" with support from the club and volunteers
- Assist/lead the occasional information sessions on the team, waxing techniques, etc.
- Post team updates on various social media platforms
- Successfully complete a Vulnerable Sector Background Check

Other information:

- Time commitment:
 - Practice one evening (1-2 hours per week) between May and August
 - o Practice two evenings (2-4 hours per week) between September and December (or first snow)
 - o Practice two evenings and Saturday mornings (4-6 hours per week) between December (first snow) and April
 - In town and out of town races as scheduled, including pre-race team meetings, coaches' meetings and time at the venue
- Practices are primarily held at the Walden Cross Country Club in Naughton, with potential practices at other venues in the area
 - Walden Cross Country was established in 1978 and is located approximately 20 minutes west of Sudbury, with 23km of skate and classic ski trails, 10 km of snowshoe trails and, 15km of mountain bike and fat bike trails. With a membership of over 1000 and an enrollment of 150 in our youth programs, the club continues to grow.
- Remuneration based on experience