

Audi quattro Winter Games^{NZ}



Dear Para Snowboard Nations,

The Audi quattro Winter Games NZ returns for its fifth edition from 25 August to 10 September 2017. Running 5 months prior to the PyeongChang 2018 Olympic Winter Games, the best winter sports athletes in the world will once again descend on New Zealand's South Island for an action packed programme of alpine ski racing, cross country skiing, curling, Ice hockey, big mountain freeriding, freeskiing and snowboarding.

The 2017 competition schedule has extended to 2 weeks, moved a week later than previous years and sees the addition of a FWQ Freeride series for the first time at The Remarkables, as well as the return of para-snowboarding with a Para World Cup Banked Slalom at Treble Cone. The Merino Muster is also joining the Games for the first time as an associate Cross Country race.

We are delighted to invite all Para Snowboard nations to the IPC Para Banked Slalom Southern Hemisphere Cup & World Cup which will take place at New Zealand's premiere freeride resort, Treble Cone. The nearest township is Wanaka (24km, 25minute drive). The nearest major airport, Queenstown, is 50km (50 minute drive).

Entries for the Para Banked Slalom Southern Hemisphere Cup & World Cup will open on 1 July and can be made via the IPC online system.

Please find the athlete and team information below. For further information please contact Jane Stevens, Para Sport Manager on jane.stevens@wintergamesnz.kiwi

We look forward to welcoming you to Wanaka and the Audi quattro Winter Games New Zealand.

Kind regards

Arthur Klap
Chief Executive















The **5th** edition of the **Audi quattro** Winter Games NZ will take place over a 16 day period from **25 August - 10** September 2017 and will feature elite winter **sports** competitions in Alpine Skiing, Cross Country Skiing, Curling, Ice Hockey, Freeride, Freeski & Snowboarding.

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Key Dates and Venues

Dates

The Audi quattro Winter Games NZ officially runs from 25th August - 10th September.

Host towns & venues

The event is based across the 3 towns of Queenstown, Wanaka and Naseby in the South Island of New Zealand. The Curling Tournament will take place in the Maniototo Curling Rink in Naseby and the mountain events are held at Cardrona Alpine Resort (Freeski, Snowboarding & Para Alpine), Coronet Peak (Alpine Skiing), Remarkables (Freeride), Treble Cone (Para Snowboard) and Snow Farm NZ (Cross Country Skiing). There are also on mountain awards ceremonies and entertainment.

Para Snowboard Racing Venue - Treble Cone, Wanaka

Home to the NZ Freeride Team, the natural pipes and gullies at Treble Cone provide perfect Banked Slalom competition terrain, as well as fantastic snowboard training opportunities. Treble Cone is just a 25min drive from Wanaka township.

The Wanaka App

While in **Wanaka** live like a local! Download the <u>Wanaka App</u> for up to date local news and **sport**, road conditions and things to do while in town.



Schedule





Audi quattro Winter Games NZ Ceremonies

Fri 25th Aug: Opening Ceremony for the Audi quattro Winter Games NZ Coronet Peak, Queenstown

Sat 9th Sept: Closing Ceremony for Audi quattro Winter Games NZ Cardrona, Wanaka

CompetitionSchedule

Wednesday 30 August - Classification
Thursday 31 August - Training Day

Friday 1 September - Para Snowboard Banked Slalom, Southern Hemisphere Cup

Saturday 2 September - Para Snowboard Banked Slalom, World Cup

Sunday 3 Septemner - Weather Day

Team Captain's Meetings

All Team Captain's Meetings will take place in the **Armstrong Room at the Lake Wanaka Centre, 89 Ardmore Street.** Additional downtown or on course meetings may be arranged, this information will be shared at the first Team Captain's Meeting for each event.

Wednesday 30 August - 5pm, Lake Wanaka Centre Thursday 31 August - 5pm, Lake Wanaka Centre Friday 1 September - 5pm, Lake Wanaka Centre



Awards ceremonies

Flower and **medal**ceremonies will take place
on hill at the end of each
competition **final**.

Podium placing athletes are obligated to attend these ceremonies and should be available for media interviews and athlete signings immediately after the awards.

Entry, Lift Passes & Bibs





Entries & Entry Fees

All entries must be submitted via the <u>IPC online</u> system. Please refer to the official race notice for deadlines. Entry fees will be \$40 NZD per event payable in cash at the first Team Captain's Meeting for each race.

Lift passes and competitors bibs

Lift passes will be provided to all competitors and team officials for official training and competition days and will be distributed at the team captain meetings.

Bibs

Training and competition bibs will also be allocated at the Team Captains Meetings. A bib deposit of \$100 per team or \$20 per individual will be required in cash at the first Team Captains Meeting. It is mandatory that all competitors wear their bibs during all official training and competition days and at award ceremonies.

Accreditation

All athletes and coaches should collect their Accreditation card upon arrival in Wanaka. This card entitles athletes to benefits and discounts with local restaurants, cafes, bars and shops. More information on where to collect these cards along with a list of participating companies will be posted on the <u>event website</u> from 1st August.

Classification

Winter Games NZ and Snow Sports NZ will be running physical classification on Wednesday 30 August at Snow Sports NZ before the Southern Hemisphere Cup races. Please submit your classification application via the IPC. Your Winter Games NZ contact regarding Classification is Jane Todd jane@wintergamesnz.kiwi

PURE Sports Nutrition is proud to be the official hydration sponsor of this years event.

The PURE team will be on hand on competition days to fuel your performance with the latest premium sports nutrition products.



Training Opportunities





Treble Cone Ski Area would like to offer a Spring Training Camp for Para athletes after the IPC Banked Slalom World Cup event from the 4 – 13 September 2017. For more information, please contact Sophie Luther on Sophie@TrebleCone.com

Winter Games NZ Media & Social Media

2017 is a huge year for both you and the <u>Audi quattro Winter Games NZ</u>, and part of its future success lays with you! Not only are your performances on the snow and ice super important, but so to is how you talk about the Games and the vibe of the event.

Our social media channels will focus on <u>Facebook</u> for almost everything, <u>Instagram</u> for the sexiest imagery possible and <u>Twitter</u> for news and information, and we'd love for you to join in on the conversation at #WGNZ and @WinterGamesNZ Images and highlights of your runs for your social channels may also be available for purchase/distribution by contacting Media Manager George Berry.

Accreditation

If you are planning to bring a media team with you or know of someone wishing to cover the events, please note that they must be accredited by the Winter Games NZ Media Office. This applies whether they are editorial media or filming for promotional purposes. Please contact Winter Games Media Manager directly george@wintergamesnz.kiwi

We can't wait to see you at the Audi quattro Winter Games NZ and have you join the conversation now.

Entertainment Programme

Festival events are an essential part of Audi quattro Winter Games NZ. From the 2017 opening ceremony at Coronet Peak, which includes a dramatic dual slalom raced under floodlights, to the glittering closing ceremony at Cardrona Alpine Resort, there's an awesome free to watch programme. Stand by for more information about our daily entertainment programme and keep up to date via our website and social media channels.



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Travel & Logistics





Visas

New Zealand has a special policy for athletes, coaches, administrators, officials and support staff visiting the country to participate in sporting events. Please check with NZ Immigration to find out if visitors from your country require a visitor visa to enter New Zealand. Information and application forms for visitor visas are available on www.immigration.govt.nz or from New Zealand and Australian Consulates, Embassies or High commissions.

Liability & Insurance

All athletes, officials and members of the National Associations who attend and participate in the event shall do so at their own risk. Winter Games NZ, sponsors and suppliers, their agents, employees and volunteers shall not be responsible for any losses or injuries incurred or suffered by the athletes, official or other person in conjunction with the organising or staging of the event. Public Liability Insurance (CHF) 3 million, for the period of the event, is in place.

If you are injured in New Zealand (including whilst competing in a competition), you may need the assistance of the Accident Compensation Corporation (ACC), New Zealand's accident compensation scheme. ACC helps pay for your care – and that means paying towards the cost of your treatment and helping your recovery while you remain in New Zealand. ACC will not cover any medical or related costs arising from the accident after you leave New Zealand. You will accordingly still need to arrange your own travel and medical insurance. New Zealand's medical facilities are not free to visitors except as a result of an accident but even in the case of an accident, surcharges in private facilities will apply.

Visitors from

certain countries

must have a

visitor visa to

enter

New Zealand

Air travel

We recommend that you book your flights as early as possible and fly into Queenstown or Christchurch depending on your travel plans. Air New Zealand, Jetstar, Qantas and Virgin Australia are the only airlines flying directly into Queenstown. However many others come into Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch.

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Car/Van Transport

We highly recommend that teams organize their own transport to ensure full control over movement to and from the resort. JUCY Rentals is New Zealand's favourite and most trusted rental company. Kiwi owned and operated, JUCY can get you zipping around in one of their rides for a few days or touring our country for a couple of weeks or more. With a range of cars and campers, they have something for everyone's budget. JUCY is so stoked to be involved with the Winter Games NZ again that **they are offering 20%** off all car hire when you book online. Please visit our <u>website</u> for further information.



Accommodation

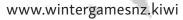
N.B. Due to number of athletes competing in the Audi quattro Winter Games NZ, we are not able to guarantee Team Accommodation bookings (as per WC rules) after 16th June 2017. A 50% deposit per person is required prior to this deadline to secure your booking. For all entry and accommodation enquiries please contact Jane Todd on jane@wintergamesnz.kiwi We strongly recommend the teams identify and book their own accommodation.

Wanaka

Oakridge Resort www.oakridge.co.nz
Wyndham Resort www.wyndhamap.com
Wanaka Hotel www.wanakahotel.co.nz
Lake Hawea Hotel www.lakehawea.co.nz

For more listings please visit: www.lakewanaka.co.nz/new-zealand/accommodation

The Queenstown Lakes District offers numerous accommodation options for all budgets





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Cardrona

Benbrae Lodge www.benbrae.co.nz

Cardrona Villas www.cardronavillas.co.nz
Cardrona Hotel www.cardronahotel.co.nz

Queenstown

Accor Hotels are the official 3.5, 4 and 5 star hotel accommodation providers for the Audi quattro Winter Games NZ. They offer four unique and distinct accommodation options in Queenstown. For bookings and more information visit

https://www.wintergamesnz.kiwi/get-here/accommodation

Rental houses or apartments

It's possible to rent houses or apartments on short or long term basis in all townships. Most of the houses would be a minimum rental of 5-7 days. www.bookabach.co.nz www.bookabach.co.nz

Additional services

Fitness Gyms Physiotherapists Massage

<u>Proactive24</u>: Wanaka <u>Wanaka Physiotherapy</u>: Wanaka <u>Body Workshop</u>: Wanaka <u>Alpine Health & Fitness</u>: Queenstown <u>Queenstown Physiotherapy</u>: Queenstown <u>Remedial Massage</u>: Queenstown