

Team BC LT Update #2 February 2018

Welcome to the second Update for the Racing to Red Deer process for TEAM BC Long Track. Since the first update was issued in January 2018 the BC Long Track Championships/Long Track FUNale took place in Fort St John, where over 100 athletes participated in both of these events. This was the largest participation in these 2 events in recent years, and saw several athletes try Long Track speed skating for the first time. Only 2 weeks later many skaters were back in Fort St John, as well as others from all over the country, to participate in the Canada Cup 3 / Canadian Junior National Championships event. It was some very exciting racing!

Eligible Skaters

Below is an updated listing of the athletes that have pre-qualified to participate in the TEAM BC Long Track Selection Trials through their participation in one or more of the designated Racing to Red Deer (R2RD) competitions. These results are up to date following the conclusion of Canada Cup 3 / Canadian Junior National Championships on February 2-4, 2018.

In alphabetical order,

Female

Martina Antifay
Brooke Braun
Hannah Brunn
Laura Hall
Renee Kalkman
Tori Kalyniuk
Yuna Lovell

Peyton Stonehouse-Smith

Emilee Stewart

Amanda Mitchell

Male

Nicholas Guliov Kieran Hanson Craig Miller Adam Mong Nyam Newlove Eric Orlowsky Jacob Rubuliak Dakotah Ruel Logan Sewell Josh Telizyn

Connor Ebert

Bye Ranking

Below is a listing of the athletes currently eligible to request an injury/illness bye and their ranking. For information on the injury/illness bye process please refer to the TEAM BC Long Track Selection bulletin.

Female

1 - Amanda Mitchell2 - Renee Kalkman

3 - Yuna Lovell

4 - Brooke Braun

Male

1 - Eric Orlowsky

2 - Joshua Telizyn

3 - Kieran Hanson

4 - Jacob Rubuliak

5 - Hannah Brunn

6 - Laura Hall

7 - Emilee Stewart

8 - Peyton Stonehouse-Smith

5 - Nicholas Guliov

6 - Nyam Newlove

7 - Connor Ebert

Please note that these are the only athletes currently eligible to request a bye (if necessary) as they are the only athletes to have completed <u>all 4</u> individual Olympic-style Canada Winter Games distances this season, as per the TEAM BC Long Track selection bulletin.

Upcoming LT events

If you have not yet participated in a qualifying Long Track event it is not too late to add yourself to the list of skaters pre-qualified to participate in the TEAM BC Long Track Selection Trials in November 2018. So far, 5 of the 9 eligible events are completed, and while some of the remaining events require time standards to participate, others do not. The remaining Racing to Red Deer qualifying events are listed below.

March 9-11, 2018 - Oval Grand Prix 2018 - Calgary, AB

March 15-18, 2018 - Canada Cup 4/Oval Finale 2018 - Calgary, AB *

Fall Classic 2018 - September 2018 - Calgary, AB

CanAm 2018 - November 2018 - Calgary, AB **

- * qualifying times are required to participate in this event
- ** only allowable as an R2RD competition if it is not designated as the Team BC LT Selection Trials

If you have not yet tried Long Track speed skating, and are considering doing so, the Oval Grand Prix event in Calgary, AB on March 9-11 is the next available opportunity, and the next event that does not require qualifying times to participate. Since this event is also one of the designated R2RD events listed above, completion of the 500m, 1000m and 1500m events will qualify you for participation at the TEAM BC Long Track Selection Trials to be held in November 2018.

If you have any questions about Long Track, about the remaining designated R2RD events, the TEAM BC Long Track Selection Bulletin or any other related topic, please feel free to reach out to any of the members of the Team BC Long Track Coaching team, Adam, Ariana or Jennifer.

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