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Meet Hannah Halvorsen:

I am a senior at Sugar Bowl Academy and have lived in Truckee, CA my whole life. I have been cross country skiing since I was two and have progressed since then to compete locally, nationally, and internationally. I keep my life full by reading, painting, sewing, triathlons, coaching soccer, caring for my five younger siblings, and most passionately, cross country training year round in hopes of chasing down my Olympic dreams.



My Upcoming Competition Schedule:

Europe Camp 7/31-8/15

I will be spending one week in Stratton, Vermont training with their ski team. I will then travel to Sweden with 5 boys and 5 girls from the US who are under the age of 20. We will ski in manmade snow tunnels in Sweden and then travel to Norway to an international camp to train with 15 different nations for a week.

Lake Placid Camp September 13th-21st

At this camp I will have the opportunity to train with other junior skiers

who are members of the National Training Group, and the National Elite Group. These juniors have been selected from all around the country based on past results that have distinguished them as the best in the country.

Park City Camp October 12th-20th

At this training camp in Park City, Utah I will have the opportunity to train with other members of the National Training Group and do a couple sessions with the U.S. Ski Team.

Marin Camp 11/11-11/13

The Nordic skiers from Sugar Bowl Academy will do a low elevation training camp in Marin, CA to get one last off snow training block before the ski season begins.

Thanksgiving Camp, West Yellowstone, MT November 21-29

This is our first on snow camp. I will travel with kids from the Farwest Region to West Yellowstone, Montana to spend time adjusting to snow skiing and then we will compete in 2 races at the end of the week. These races have top level competition of all ages from all over the country.

Bozeman SuperTour November 30th

After West Yellowstone I will travel with the post college elite skiers from Sugar Bowl Academy to Bozeman, Montana for two more early season races. These races be top level competition and will include skiers of all ages from all over the country.

JNQ: JNQ Weekend @ ASC 12/19-12/20

JNQ stands for Junior National Qualifier. This is a local race where all the local Far west athletes who are 20 or younger compete for a place on the Junior National team that will travel to Hayward, Wisconsin for national competition at the end of the ski season.

US Nationals, Houghton, MI 1/3-1/10

This event is a national level competition comprising the best US skiers from all over the country who are not on the U.S. Ski Team already competing in Europe. In Houghton Michigan, top level cross country skiers of all ages who will be trying to qualify for a variety of different opportunities to compete in Europe. I will be trying to qualify for an under 18 racing circuit in Estonia where the best kids from Scandinavia, Estonia, and the US compete called the U18 Nations Cup. I will also try to qualify for an under 20 racing opportunity in Romania called World Juniors where the best juniors from all over the world race together.

Junior National Qualifier (JNQ): Skogsloppet 1/18

This event is a local race where all the local Far west athletes who are 20 or younger compete for a place on the Junior National team that will travel

to Hayward, Wisconsin for national competition at the end of the ski season.

U18 Trip Estonia YOG, Lillehammer, NOR 2/12-2/21

If I qualify in Houghton for the U18 nations cup and decide to go I will be competing in Estonia at this time against the best under-18 Scandinavians and Estonians. There is also a possibility of being selected for the Youth Olympic Games (YOG) in Lillehammer Norway. This is an event that happens every 2 years where the best 16/17 year olds from around the world compete. The US will send the best 16/17 year old boy and girl sprint racer and also the best distance racer.

JNQ: President's Cup 2/15

This event is a local race where all the local Far west athletes who are 20 or younger compete for a place on the Junior National team that will travel to Hayward, Wisconsin for national competition at the end of the ski season.

World Juniors, Rasnov, Romania 2/22-2/28

If I qualify for World Juniors and decide to go I will be in Romania at this time competing against the best racers all over the world who are under the age of 20.

Junior Nationals, Hayward, WI March 7-14th

At this time I will have the opportunity to represent the Far west region in a national level competition divided into 2 year age groups. It goes from under-16 to under-20. Here I will compete as an under-18 athlete against the best kids from the country my age.

Western Club Champs, TBD