

2016 Cookie Race - February 27, 2016

The 39th Annual Cookie Race was held on February 27, 2016 in beautiful Peter Lougheed Provincial Park. Skiers as young as 3 to 4 years old skied 500 m while 83 year old Irvin Servold raced 24 km. Irvin is a former nordic combined ski racer, who participated in 1956 and 1960 olympics! Mike Carleton, racing in the 70+ category completed a competitive 42 km. Brian McKeever, also an Olympian, won the 42 km, with his para-guide Graham Nishikawa who finished 2nd by less than second. Rumour has it Brian double-poled the course.

Full results are available [here](#).



At the start line



And they're off!

173 children and youth participated in the Cookie Race and all were awarded with medals that looked suspiciously like candy! There were 46 kids in the Jackrabbit races. 71 youth raced the 3 km and 56 youth did the 5 km race.



Girls 500 m awards. Check out the podium made of snow!



Boys 3 km awards

The home-baked cookies and soup were delicious and consumed in copious amounts. Marion's Place was busy throughout the race. A big thanks goes out to the many volunteers who make this race possible and to the course groomers!



Marion's Place



.... and when the kids were not racing they could be found playing on the hills of snow, in the trees and up the trees.