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TEAM CONNECTICUT

Congratulations! Based on your incredible regular season CYSL performance, you have earned the right to represent **Team Connecticut** at the 2026 Francis Piche Invitational Championships at Gunstock Mountain Resort March 13-15th. We hope that you will participate in this great event and compete for Team Connecticut alongside the fastest skiers on the East Coast.

Enclosed, you will find all the necessary information and links for competing on Team Connecticut. **Most importantly, make sure to complete online confirmation by midnight Wednesday, February 18th.**

Gunstock is offering optional athlete training days on March 11th (Giant Slalom) and March 12th (Slalom). The official Gunstock race weekend kicks off with a Team Event on Friday, March 13th. Please read the [Dual SL Team Event Summary](#) for full details. The SL will be held on Saturday, March 14th with the GS on Sunday, March 15th.

In addition to the great on-snow activity at Gunstock, CYSL welcomes you to our traditional Friday Night Banquet for athletes (included in racer fee) and family members. Extra tickets for family members are available via AdminSkiRacing, see details on last page of this document.

There is a block of rooms at The Margate Resort reserved for CYSL families at a reduced rate. Rooms will fill up fast, so plan accordingly and bring your bathing suits!

Again, Congratulations and welcome to Team Connecticut!

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Francis Piche Invitational

Important Francis Piche Invitation Championship Links:

[Online Registration](#)
[Event Website](#)

[Event and Competition Guide](#)
[Dual SL and Team Event Format](#)

Friday, March 13th The competition consists of a Team Qualification round followed by Team Elimination rounds. All rounds are run on a Dual Panel SL course. Mixed-gendered teams are created for each division. All athletes will race in the Team Qualification and the results are used to rank and seed teams for the Elimination rounds. U12 race in the morning followed by U14's in the afternoon. SL skis will be used. GS skis are not permitted.

Saturday, March 14th will be two runs of GS, with awards for team and individual performance.

Sunday, March 15th will be two runs of SL, with awards for team and individual performance.

Optional We are pleased to offer optional training days, with GSC Coaches, for Giant Slalom on **Wednesday, March 11th** and Slalom on **Thursday, March 12th**.

Date	Event	Fee/Registration
March 11 Wednesday	Wednesday GS Training Day (Optional) Includes athlete lift ticket and lunch	\$89 Online registration, ONLY
March 12 Thursday	Thursday Slalom Training Day (Optional) Includes athlete lift ticket and lunch	\$89 Online registration, ONLY
March 13 Friday	Team Event - Dual Slalom Includes athlete lift ticket	\$278 Online registration, ONLY
March 14 Saturday	Francis Piche Championship GS Includes athlete lift ticket	
March 15 Sunday	Paul Ladouceur Championship SL Includes athlete lift ticket	

<https://www.skireg.com/francis-piche-invitational>



Dear Guest of Connecticut Youth Ski League:

We are very much looking forward to having you as our guest. A room block has been established for Connecticut Youth Ski League starting on Tuesday, March 10 and ending Sunday, March 15, 2026. To make a reservation under this please call the hotel at (603) 524-5210. In order to be included in the guest room block, please identify yourself as being part of Connecticut Youth Ski League (CYSL) Team Connecticut when making your reservation.

Please email us with any questions at reservations@themargate.com

We look forward to seeing you!!

Accommodation Details:

Room Block Established: Tuesday, March 11, 2026 to Sunday, March 16, 2026
Rates: Tuesday through Saturday @ \$179.00+tax/night
Hotel Address: 76 Lake Street
 Laconia, New Hampshire 03246
Phone Number: (603) 524-5210 or (800) MARGATE

Schedule of Events:

<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>	<i>Function Name</i>	<i>Function Room</i>
Tues 3/10/2026 4:00pm	Sun 3/15/2026 11:00am	Tuning Room	Blackstone's Lounge
Weds 3/11/2026 4:00pm	Sun 3/15/2026 11:00am	Hospitality	Belknap Room
Fri 3/13/2026 5:00pm	Fri 3/14/2026 11:00pm	Team Connecticut Banquet	Antico, Gilford, Belknap

We are proud to offer the Belknap room as a hospitality gathering area for Team Connecticut on Wednesday through Saturday nights during your stay at The Margate.

It is your responsibility to monitor your athlete's behavior at The Margate. Failure to do so will result in dismissal from our premises.



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TEAM CONNECTICUT ATHLETE CONFIRMATION

Confirm your spot on Team Connecticut by **completing these three (3) steps**:

Step 1: Complete Team Connecticut [Google Form](#)

- a. Racer information
- b. Select Team Gift size (Youth small – Adult XXL)
- c. Enter name **exactly** as it should appear (First **OR** Last **OR** Nickname)
- d. Indicate number of family member banquet tickets you will purchase

Step 2: Make payment for [CYSL racer fee](#) as well as any [Adult](#) and [non-racer Child](#) banquet tickets on AdminSkiRacing

Step 3: Signup for the [Piche's Invitational hosted at Gunstock](#) race weekend

**Must sign up online to secure your Team Connecticut spot by midnight
Wednesday, February 18th or your spot will be offer to the next athlete!**

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