

MEET THE 2021 AUDI AJAX CUP PROS



Marc Girardelli is an Austrian and Luxembourgish former alpine ski racer, a five-time World Cup overall champion who excelled in all five alpine disciplines. Girardelli made three appearances on the Olympic stage in 1988, 1992 and 1994.



Daron Rahlves is the most accomplished male American downhill racer of all time. He is a four-time Olympian (three in alpine, one in freestyle), has earned three World Championship medals (including one gold), and spent 12 years racing on the World Cup circuit, during which he won 12 races and landed on the podium 28 times.



Nolan Kasper is a United States Ski Team alum and three-time Olympian (Vancover 2010, Sochi 2014, and PyeongChang 2018). During the course of his career on the World Cup, Nolan's career-best result was a silver medal in slalom in Kranjska Gora, Slovenia.



Wiley Maple is an AVSC and US Ski Team alumnus. He spent many years with the US Ski Team and was a consistent points scorer in the speed disciplines. Wiley raced in the 2018 Olympics in PyeongChang, Korea. A two-time US National Downhill Champion, Wiley grew up skiing speed on the Stapleton Training Center. He is no stranger to the 2020 Ajax Cup venue.



Kristina Koznick Landa joined the US Ski Team at age 15 and spent the next 16 years as a consistent competitor in the World Cup. She earned 20 podium finishes, won six World Cup slalom races, earned five national titles, and competed in three Olympic Games.



Chad Fleischer is a two-time Winter Olympian in Alpine Ski Racing 94, 98 and competed for the Men's US Alpine Ski Team for 12 years. He is two-time National Downhill Skiing Champion and Silver Medalist in the World Cup Finals Downhill 1999. Chad is currently the Head FIS Men's Alpine Coach for the Steamboat Springs Winter Sports Club.



Marco Sullivan is a former World Cup Alpine Ski Racer. Born in Truckee, California he competed primarily in the speed events of Downhill and Super G. Sullivan competed in the 2002 and 2010 Winter Olympics, and four World Championships. He won one World Cup race, a downhill in Chamonix, France, in 2008.



Caleb Unger is an AVSC athlete on the Alpine Team. He is fast. Like really fast. Good thing he is on the Fast Kids Team.



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Tommy Biesemeyer, an East Coaster by birth, knows what it's like to race on icy conditions. A product of the New York Ski Education Foundation, he started racing at Whiteface, but he quickly moved into to the U.S. Ski Team food chain, making his World Cup debut in 2011. Biesemeyer competed in the 2018 Olympics.



Abby Ghent has the U.S. Ski Team in her blood as the daughter of former U.S. teamers. Ghent was the female fastest super G skier on the NorAm circuit in 2014 and competed in World Cup races in 2016 and 2017.



Dustin Cook is a Canadian World Cup Alpine Skier. Born in Toronto, Ontario he won a silver medal in the Super-G at the 2015 World Championships at Beaver Creek. Cook made his first World Cup podium in March 2015 and won his race race eleven days later at the World Cup Finals in Meribel, France.



Cooper Cornelius is an AVSC alumni and native to the Roaring Fork Valley, hailing from Glenwood Springs. He now races for the University of Denver Alpine Ski Team and excels at all disciplines. He is excited to support the club that got him to where he is today in his ski racing career.



Will McDonald Will is an Aspen native who grew up in the AVSC program, till the age of 15, when he was named to the US Ski team and moved to Park City, Utah to be part of that team. He went on to race NCAA for University of Utah to finish off his ski racing career. Will coached for Park City Ski team for 4 years, and now on his 4th season with AVSC.



Galena Wardle is an Aspen Native and AVSC alumni that currently skis for Denver University Alpine Ski Team. Wardle Placed 21st in both women's slaloms races at the RMISA Invitational at Westminster & Soldier Hollow and finished 17th in the first race of the women's giant slaloms at the RMISA Invitational at Utah.



Jack Bowers is an Aspen Native and AVSC Alumni currently racing with an elite team in Europe and US and hoping to make the2022 US Ski Team. We are so excited to have recruited him from racer to Pro!



David Stapleton is a long time ski racing veteran inducted into the Colorado Snowsports Museum's Hall of Fame this year. He has been involved in the ski racing and Aspen Valley Ski and Snowboard Club as long as anyone can remember.

