

# Local skier Wells cooking the K2 national course

Fifth out of 76 racers, and fastest among 13-year-old Canadian skiers.

Alix Wells of the Prince George Alpine Ski Racers team made a strong first impression while feeling gravity's pull at the President's Choice K2 national alpine ski

championships at Silver Star near Vernon.

After she cooked the super-combi (super-G and slalom) course Monday racing a crop of the best 14-year-olds in Canada, Wells kept up the trend with a pair of top-10

results in the super-G and giant slalom events that followed.

She was eighth among Canadians (ninth overall) in Wednesday's giant slalom on a course that had been buried under 30 centimetres of new snow overnight.

On Tuesday, Wells was the 11th fastest Canadian K2 skier in the super G (14th overall), two seconds behind 14-year-old Devon Clarke of Craigeith, Ont.

The national event wraps up today with a slalom event.

Wells is also qualified for the Whistler Cup international competition at Whistler, April 10-12. Prince George Alpine teammates Aaron Van Delft and Mikaela Gairns will compete in the K1 and-12-year-old class.