All the details for the Eastern Masters Championships are now in order, and it's shaping up into a first class event. The Vermont Orthopedic Center in Rutland, VT has once again stepped up to sponsor the event, which will ensure a generous supply of parties, awards and prizes for all.

For the first time ever, participating racers will not have to be USSA members or be required to purchase a temporary USSA membership. ASRA racers, Whiteface masters racers, coaches, parents, and all fans of ski racing, 18 years of age or older, will be welcome to participate. All racers, regardless of USSA membership affiliation, should go through www.skiracereg to sign up for the races.

All the events will be held on Draper's Drop at Whiteface Mountain, with the exception of the one-run combined slalom race on Friday evening, which will be held at Mt Pisgah, which is about one-half hour west of Lake Placid. The Friday evening awards party will also be held at Mt Pisgah, so racers can either race or spectate with a cold beverage as the action unfolds.

The Saturday evening awards party will be hosted by Smoke Signals and sponsored by Twifties ("The fun people around age 50 and up"). Smoke Signals is a new restaurant in downtown Lake Placid, complete with live-entertainment later in the evening.

All events (2 SGs, SC, GS, Sl) will be scored for Sise Cup points. The first SG will be matched with the one-run slalom at Mt Pisgah for the super combined race. Because this is a non-USSA race, an overall Eastern Regional Team will not be named.

Be there!

Schedule:

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Thursday, Jan. 30, SG Training, $50 (payable through skiracereg, ticket good for
              7:30-8:30 Registration, NYSEF building, opposite base lodge
day)
              8:30 lift
              8:45-9:30 inspection, warm up
              9:45 first of three training runs
       Friday, Jan. 31, 2 SG races, one-run super combined slalom
              7:30-8:30 Registration, NYESF building
              8:15 lift
              8:30-9:00 free-ski warm-up, lower race venue
              9:15-10:15 inspection
              10:30 SG #1
                                           $60
              12:00 SG #2
                                           $20 (must race in SG #1)
              4:00 slalom inspection Mt Pisgah
              5:00 one-run slalom for super combined race using first SG $25
              5:00 Awards party Mt Pisgah
       Saturday, Feb. 1 GS, $56
              7:30-8:30 Registration, NYSEF building
              8:15 lift
              8:30-9:15 inspection
              9:45 run 1
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11:30-12:15 inspection

12:45 run 2

4:00-5:30 Twifties Awards Party at Smoke Signals

Sunday, Feb. 2 Sl, \$56

7:30-8:30 Registration, NYSEF building

8:15 lift

8:30-9:15 inspection

9:45 run 1

11:30-12:15 inspection

12:45 run 2

3:00 awards

Register: www.skiracereg.com

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