

The Kirkwood Ski Education Foundation is very proud of our ski team athletes. Guenther Birgmann coaches the elite group of young J1 men. Under his guidance they have produced some exciting results. Nick Cohee and Shane Collins spent several weeks in New Zealand training and racing this summer. They both produced some of their career best results under tough international competition.

Nick Cohee

Slalom: two 2nd place, 3rd, 7th, and 17th
Giant Slalom: 6th
Super G: 9th, 11th, 12th

Shane Collins

Slalom: two 4th places, 8th
Giant Slalom: 1st, 4th, 19th
Super G: 6th, 12th

Shane and Nick were also lucky enough to represent the Kirkwood Ski Team in Norway in April 2006. Both boys had top 20 finishes in tough conditions! Shane was selected and competed in US Nationals in Maine during March 2006!!

The Kirkwood Ski Team also has some hot young athletes, all of which had some of their best results in the 2006 season! Brian Francis was ranked 5th in the Far West in the 10 years and younger age group (J5)!!! In the 2006 season, Holden Sapp and Philip Frank were selected for the J1/2 Jr. Olympics and Simona Frank was selected for the J3 Jr. Olympics. Kelsey Hickox, Hilary Sanders, Rachel Leuthold, and Andrew Stanley were selected for the Western Jr. Championships.