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## Nederland Ski Team sweeps Evergreen



PHOTO BY DAVE GIBSON

### Defending their home mountain

Above; Freshman Stanley Buzek blazes down the course to record the first victory of his high school career with a combined run time of 1:01.93.

**Dave Gibson**  
Nederland

Having conducted their first practice on January 20, 2021, in a season delayed due to the pandemic, the Nederland High School Ski Team had little time to prepare for their first race of the year at Keystone a week later. Happy to be competing

again, senior Team Captain Carson McCue placed 1st in the Boys Giant Slalom and sophomore Emily Creek 3rd in the Girls Giant Slalom. With their boards finally back underneath their feet and a good showing behind them, the student-athletes were excited to head home where they most love to ski.

At Eldora on Friday, February 5,

the Panthers defended their mountain against strong rival Evergreen. An event that would normally host several teams and 200 racers, this year there would be 70 in compliance with Boulder County Board of Health's restrictions. Fifteen-degree temperatures and a 40-mile per hour

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## Gilpin County show features three artists



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**John Scarffe**  
Central City

Gilpin County Arts' Washington Hall will host three solo shows in February. A show by local artist Virginia Unsel is called Navigations: a year of quARAnTine. Roger Doak will be showing photography called Captured: Moments in Nature, and Maggie Smiley will be showing Resurgence – A New Beginning.

Roger Doak's show opened February 6. Smiley and Unsel's shows open February 20 and all end March 27. They will not have a reception due to Covid-19.

The exhibit will be in Washington Hall Gallery, 117 Eureka St., in Central City, Colorado. The gallery is open Thursday to Sunday from 11

### Supporting local art

Gilpin County Arts' Washington Hall will host three solo shows in February including photography by Roger Doak, above.

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- QUOTE OF THE WEEK -

*"Love is always bestowed as a gift - freely, willingly and without expectation. We don't love to be loved; we love to love." ~Leo Buscaglia*



# Nederland Ski Team sweeps Evergreen



PHOTOS BY DAVE GIBSON

### Break out the brooms

Above, left; Nick Bigelow shows good form on his way to the top ten. Above, right; Team Captain Carson McCue screams down the hill for 2nd place in the Boys Giant Slalom .38 seconds behind his teammate. Bottom, right; An Evergreen Cougar rounds a gate. Bottom, left; Gio Busulini secured 3rd place honors.

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snow-laden wind welcomed the athletes – in other words, a typical mid-winter ski day.

Continuing their winning ways on the Giant Slalom course, sophomore Ellie Boye took 3rd place with a combined run time of 1:10.70. In a

solid effort, to their great credit, the girls landed 9 of the top 15 finishes.

The fresh blanket of snow didn't seem to slow the boys down one bit in a sweep of the top three spots. Carson McCue added to his trophy case with a 2nd place finish to go along with his 1st place result from

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### A trifecta!

Top; A competitor scatters freshly fallen powder on the racecourse at Eldora Mountain. Bottom; Matthew Younce bolstered the ranks with a respectable 8th place finish.

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Keystone. Gio Busulini took 3rd and Stanley Buzek captured top honors after registering a blistering time of 1:01.93. The future looks bright for the ever-formidable Nederland Ski

Team with Gio and Stanley only freshmen.

The next competition on tap will be held February 18 at Ski Cooper with hopes of later scheduling another slalom race to conclude the year.

### Girls place nine in the top 15

Top: Nederland's Annabel Ivey cruises past a gate in the Giant Slalom. Middle; Local Maz Fitch's aerodynamic tuck shaves fractions of a second off her time. Bottom; Coach Seth Waldman's daughter Lily Waldman tears down the snowy course at Eldora.



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