



Photo of Samuel Finger provided by James Tucker



## Press Release

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### ***First Ever Collegiate Snowshoe Champions Crowned in Leadville***

**Corinth, NY** - The U.S. Snowshoe Association is very pleased to announce the results of the first-ever US Collegiate National Snowshoe Racing Championships, presented last weekend at Colorado Mountain College in Leadville CO as part of the 20th anniversary Dion Snowshoes U.S. National Snowshoe Championships. Collegiate student/athletes who do not turn 20 in 2020 competed in a 5km race, while those student/athletes who were 20+ years of age as of 12/31/20 competed in a 10km event. Athletes representing the following schools participated in this inaugural championship event presented by the US Snowshoe Association and the Collegiate Running Association: The Univ. of New Mexico, The Univ. of Michigan at Dearborn, Paul Smith's College (NY), Western Colorado Univ., the hosts Colorado Mountain College and Carroll Univ. (WI). Both races took place on the CMC - Leadville campus at over 10,000 feet in altitude in the shadow of Colorado's two highest peaks, Mt Elbert and Mt. Massive.

#### **National Collegiate Snowshoe Championship Results:**

##### **Collegiate Men's 10km Natl Champ.**

1st	<b>Kieran Nay</b>	WCU
2nd	Jack Setser	CMC
3rd	Ryan Exell	U of MI
4th	Matt Will	CMC
5th	Zachary Sprott-Scribner	PSC
6th	Nicholas Ferrera	PSC
7th	Caleb Neel	CMC
8th	Matthew Frye	PSC
9th	Ben Kusnetzky	WCU
10th	Zachary Bobbie	PSC

##### **Collegiate Women's 10km Natl Champ**

1st	<b>Amber Zimmerman</b>	U of NM
2nd	Kelly Bosloper	PSC
3rd	Margret Montag	PSC

##### **Collegiate Men's 5km Natl Champs.**

1st	<b>Chris Rohlf</b>	CMC
2nd	Jason Macaluso	CMC
3rd	Samuel Finger	PSC
4th	Elliot Read	WCU

##### **Collegiate Women's 5km Natl Champs.**

1st	<b>Annikka Johnson</b>	CU
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\*\*Athletes in **BOLD** = Natl Champion!

The top five athletes in each race earn "All-American" status as recognized by the U.S. Snowshoe Association and the Collegiate Running Association. Complete results can be found at [www.snowshoeracing.com](http://www.snowshoeracing.com). The 2021 Collegiate National Snowshoe Championships will take place in Eau Claire WI next Feb. 26th-28th, 2021.