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Vikings' Feast and Birkie Boogie

While we may not be able to ski the Birkie this year due to lack of snow and icy conditions, we can definitely get down and celebrate our Birkie spirit and have a great time! SKIERS, VOLUNTEERS and SPONSORS, join us, one and all, at the:



Vikings' Feast and Birkie Boogie
Birkie Day - Saturday, February 13, 2016
Doors at 6:00, dinner at 6:30 (note time change), dance till 11
Agora Room, County of Strathcona Community Centre,
401 Festival Lane

We've revised our traditional Vikings' Feast evening to include a spectacular evening for us to come together for a night of fantastic food, wonderful entertainment and a chance to burn off all that latent Birkie energy on the dance floor. The evening will feature:

- emcee Nancy Carlson from Global TV
- dinner catered by Vicky's
- performance by the Valhalla Scandinavian Folk Dancers
- photo ops with Vikings and their living history set (bring your phone or camera so you can keep your images and share your favourites on your social media)
- inspirational celebration of a few people who have demonstrated exceptional Birkie spirit over the years
- auction of a Birkie original framed watercolour and a wood ski Adirondack chair - hosted by an extremely entertaining professional auctioneer
- tons of great draw prizes including two major gift certificate prizes
- dancing to great tunes from a variety of genres played for us

by a professional DJ who know how to make a party happen

Order your tickets [here](#) until 11:59 pm on Wednesday, February 10. Don't miss out on this memorable Birkie evening.

**Canadian Birkebeiner Ski
Festival Loppet/Race
CANCELLATION**

The Board of the Canadian Birkebeiner Society regrets to inform skiers, volunteers, sponsors and other supporters that all races at the 2016 Birkebeiner Ski Festival on Saturday, February 13, 2016 have been cancelled.

The Board is acting on the advice of its Loppet Committee, responsible for planning and operating the race events. Due to recent mild weather, many trails along the traditional Birkie route through the Cooking Lake - Blackfoot Provincial Recreational Area have insufficient snow or are too icy. Efforts to develop alternative routes and to rehabilitate deteriorating portions of the trails have not been sufficiently successful to ensure a safe and enjoyable Birkie experience for skiers.

Please refer to the Canadian Birkebeiner Cancellation [Policy](#).

The Volunteer Orientation and Appreciation Night and the Nordic Fair are cancelled. The Vikings' Feast and Birkie Boogie on Saturday evening, February 13, is on and you're most welcome to purchase ticket(s) for that event [here](#).

The Board
The Canadian Birkebeiner Society

See you out on the trails!



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