

# Canadian Birkie News

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## Full Moon Birkie is full steam ahead

With snow farming, 5 ½ cm of fresh snow, and track setting, our [Full Moon Birkie](#) on Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> is ready to go! See you Friday night and remember to bring your headlamp!



## New Years Eve is the next Birkie cut-off

The next Birkie cut-off will be December 31, 2019. If you sign up now, you save money and can start your training! Register [here](#). Secure your Spot Insurance is available to give you peace of mind; read about it [here](#).

Prices will change again after January 31 and the final day to [register online](#) is February 5<sup>th</sup> at noon.



## Get up to 25% off by skiing with friends

Sign up ten people in the 4/8, 13, 31 and/or 55 km ski events and get **25% off**; sign up four and get **15% off**. Pick a name for your crew, and email it and the names of your skiers to [ski@canadianbirkie.com](mailto:ski@canadianbirkie.com). You will get a promo code for your group to use. Read the details [here](#).

Sign up your office, department or non-profit for the **Most KM Skied Group Award**. Choose a group name and your team members. Select this award on your registration, enter your group name and your team will be eligible to win the most kilometres skied by a group award.



## Ski classes still available

Your **Learn to Loppet** sessions start on January 4<sup>th</sup> and takes place primarily at Gold Bar Park in Edmonton. Save \$15 by signing up on or before December 31, 2019. Find out more on our training [webpage](#).

The **Birkie Rookie Program** is a three week program held at the Strathcona Wilderness Centre and is designed for beginner cross country skiers to introduce them to the fun of the Canadian Birkie. See more details [here](#).



## Kids ski FREE

Register in the Birkie **Ole's Tour** on Birkie Saturday or **Barnebirkie** on Birkie Sunday, and your child skis with you for free! Our second annual Birkie Sunday takes place February 9, 2020 in partnership with **Silver Skate** Festival. What a wonderful way to spend time with your little one and enjoy the outdoors with your family. Registration is only \$10. For more details visit our [website](#).



## Long Start moves to the land

For your safety we are moving the long start off of the lake onto land behind **Ukrainian Village's** Red Barn. In January we will publish a map of the start line, wave line up area and warm up track locations. A link to the new Long Start map will be on the Birkie website, in the 2020 Program Guide and the January newsletter.



## Shop Birkie Sponsors this holiday

For creative stocking stuffer ideas, please shop at our Birkie sponsors:

- [Fast Trax](#)
- [Salomon](#)
- [SWIX](#)
- [Totem Outdoor Outfitters](#)
- [Track 'N Trail](#)

We also have Birkie Swag available [here](#). Shop [now](#).



## Birkie Story Contest open until Jan 19

Put your funny, memorable or triumphant Birkie memories on paper! Email it in to be eligible for prizes; add a photo if you have one. Details and prizes are outlined on the Birkie web page [here](#).



## Casino dates are May 14 and 15!

Whoops ... we wrote the wrong dates for our Casino fundraiser in our last newsletter. The actual dates are **Thursday, May 14 and Friday, May 15, 2020**. Mark your calendars and sign up to volunteer [here](#).



## See you on the ski trails this holiday!

On behalf of our volunteers, staff and board, we wish you a very happy holiday. We hope you are able to get outside and enjoy winter with your friends and family. We will be out on the ski trails between Christmas and New Years as our office is closed from December 23, 2019 to January 2, 2020.

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