

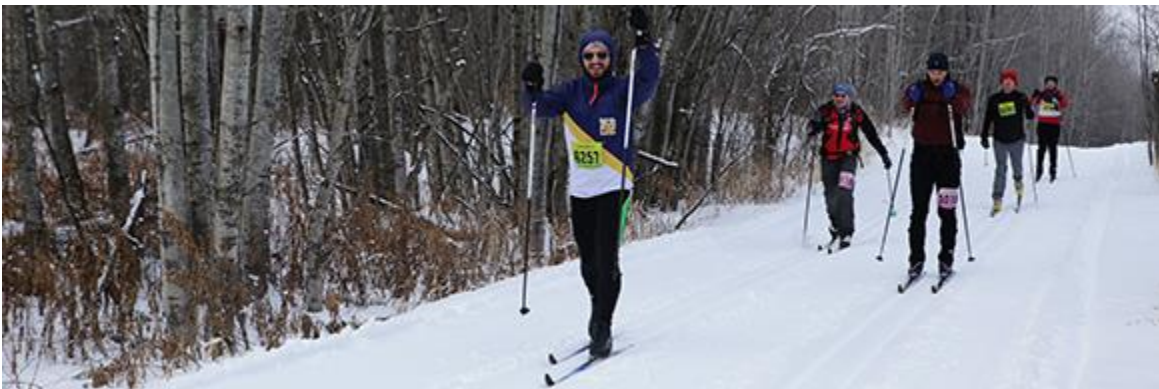
Canadian Birkie News

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In-person Birkie postponed

The Canadian Birkebeiner Society Board of Directors unanimously decided on January 26th to postpone the in-person Canadian Birkie ski events due to COVID-19 restrictions. Participants will be able to carry forward their registration and insurance at no cost to the same ski event February 11-13, 2022. They will also receive a free entry to the [Virtual Canadian Birkie](#) taking place February 12-21, 2021. All in-person Birkie registrants were sent an email this week with details. If you didn't get it, contact the [office](#).



New Virtual Birkie is a big hit!

News of our Virtual Canadian Birkie is spreading around the world. We have people signed up from Norway, Britain, Italy, U.S. and across Canada. Check out all the fun on our [webpage](#) or in our [Virtual Birkie Facebook Group](#).



Virtual Photo Contest

Thanks to our amazing sponsors, the **Virtual Canadian Birkie** prizes are impressive. You now have over \$2,300 in giveaways up for grabs. Post a photo from your Virtual Birkie trail and you are entered to win! Prize and contest details [here](#).



2021 Birkie Baby announced

Please welcome to the stage our 2021 Birkie Baby James. He will represent our Crown Prince Haakon Haakonsson this year. His Great, Great Grandma Jenny Lien grew up skiing in Lillehammer at the beginning of the last century, and medalled in the **Norwegian Birkie!** With no official royal duties due to COVID, we will only be graced by his highness' photos online! To catch the cuteness, follow us on **Facebook**, **Twitter** and **Instagram**. Birkie Baby James will *Go the Distance* in his pulk/sled in the Virtual Birkie!!!



Baby Abril our snow angel

If Birkie Baby James is unable to perform his royal duties, Birkie Baby Abril will step in for him as our alternate. Thanks to all the parents who sent in descriptions and pictures of their adorable little ones; it made this year's Birkie Baby decision almost impossible.



Check out our Birkie Program

Flip through our 2021 Canadian Birkie [Program Guide](#). You will find our wonderful sponsors, Virtual Birkie info and lists of our generous donors. The contributions of our Birkie supporters make a huge difference in meeting our goal of promoting cross country skiing. You can still make a donation when you sign up for the Virtual Birkie or [here](#) from our webpage. Your name will be listed in our next Program Guide!

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Virtual Canadian Birkie
Feb 12-21, 2021

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