

Canadian Birkie News

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Virtual AGM on May 14

Our Canadian Birkebeiner Society Virtual Annual General Meeting will take place on Thursday, May 14, 2020 from 6 pm to 8 pm. This event will take place in a Zoom meeting format. Our President, Jim Black, will give his year end report, review the society's financial statements, and present the proposed 2020/2021 Board of Director's slate.

Only Loppet committee and Board members have a vote, but nominations for board positions are open to all. If you would like to join us, [email](#) by Wednesday the 13th. We in turn will send you a link to the meeting.



Board opportunities available

There are positions available on our Canadian Birkebeiner Society Board of Directors; see below. If you have an interest in cross country skiing and relevant experience, being on the board is a great deal of fun and can be a wonderful

way to contribute to the Birkie. If you have questions about the positions, please email or phone our Birkie Coordinator, Marion Hinteregger, at 780-430-7153.

Candidates standing for election:

- President: Dave Cooper
- Vice-president and Chief of Loppet: Charles World
- Secretary: George Foxcroft
- Director-at-Large: Pete Kershaw
- Director-at-Large: Mike Dickinson
- Director Fund Development: ***no candidate identified yet***
- Director Festival: ***no candidate identified yet***
- Director Human Resources: ***no candidate identified yet***

Existing Directors continuing with their terms:

- Past president: Jim Black
- Treasurer: Darcy Randa
- Director Marketing: Delianne Meenhorst
- Director Program Services: Annie McKittrick
- Director-at-Large: Roberta Hyland
- Director-at-Large: Randy Stebner
- Ex-Officio: Keith Bocking



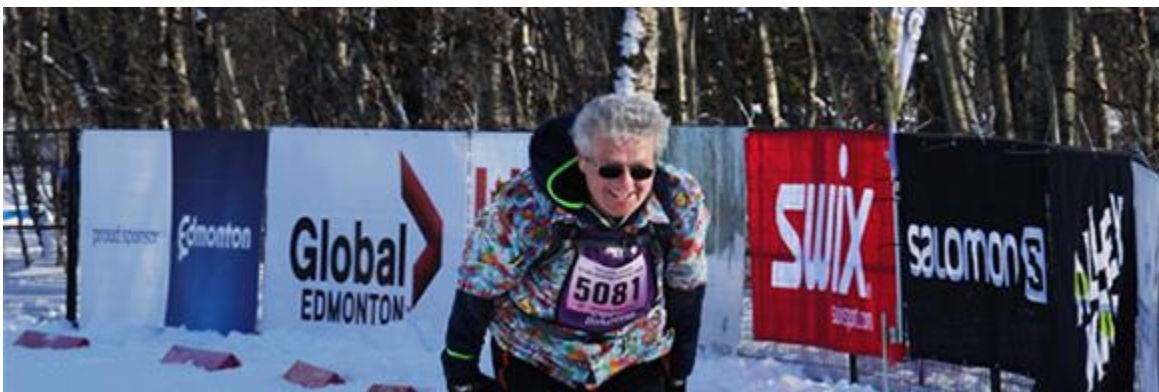
Birkie 2021 is in the works

2021 Canadian Birkie Ski Festival plans are underway. Your Birkie Board has been busy developing different scenarios while working within the current government and Cross Country Alberta guidelines. We will keep up to date with the latest recommendations; our number one priority is the safety of our volunteers and skiers. Mark your calendars for February 12-14 for **Birkie 2021**.



Birkie casino postponed

Our Birkie Casino unfortunately was cancelled due to COVID-19. As soon as we receive word from the province of our new casino fundraiser dates, we will post them on our website and in our newsletter.



Summer hours

While we do not have regular office hours through the summer, we are available via email or phone. Please feel free to connect with us at 780-430-7153 or ski@canadianbirkie.com. We would love to hear from you.



Skiers are made in the summer

It's time to get outside and get active. Spring and summer is the time to build a solid aerobic and strength base for the upcoming ski season. Start your dryland ski plan today! Be it nordic walking, jogging, swimming, hiking, roller skiing, or cycling, start now and you will harvest results this winter. Here is a [website](#) with free fitness training ideas for adults.

Stay tuned for [Birkie Training Sessions](#) starting again in the fall.



Birkieland is now open

Cooking Lake-Blackfoot Provincial Recreation Area is a perfect location for any outdoor endeavour. The parking lots are open again so visitors can enjoy its beautiful trails.

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Canadian Birkie Ski Festival
Feb 12-14, 2021

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