

Canadian Birkie News

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Pick your wave now

Registration for the 2021 Canadian Birkie Ski Events opens **tomorrow**, on Friday, November 27, 2021 at Noon. Because events and waves are capped, your online registration form will show how many spots are left. Please read the [wave document](#) in advance to pick the right wave for you. Waves help to space out skiers across the course and decrease the amount of passing. Remember early bird pricing is only available from November 27th to 30th.



Carry-forward options

The Birkie Board and organizing committee members are working hard to offer you a safe, winter ski challenge. They are following the ongoing changes to government health regulations and are adjusting plans accordingly. They have agreed to make carry-forward options available for skiers. If the Alberta

government cancels our ski events due to COVID-19, all ski registrations will be carried forward for one year to the 2022 Canadian Birkie Ski Festival.

You also get the option of purchasing **Secure your Spot Insurance** when you sign up for the 13, 31, and 55 km ski events. If your ski event is cancelled due to extreme weather or unacceptable snow conditions, your registration will be transferred to the same event in 2022. You get a full carry-forward credit for one year. The cost is \$10 for the 13 km event and \$15 for the 31 km and 55 km event. Please note this insurance is available only at the time of registration.



New FAQ pages

There is a new **COVID Protocols** webpage and a revised **Frequently Asked Questions** page available on the Canadian Birkie website. Check out answers to common questions or **contact us** via email or phone. The Birkie staff is working remotely and is happy to help you out.



Virtual Canadian Birkie

Ski the Birkie at your own pace at your own place! This year we will be hosting a Virtual Canadian Birkie for skiers around the world that are not able to join us in person. Check **here** for details.



Ski instructor wanted

Our [Learn to Loppet](#) ski lessons are in the works, details to be announced soon so stay tuned. We are still looking for an extra instructor. If you or someone you know is an instructor, let us know by [emailing the office](#).



Call for a Birkie Baby

Do you know someone with a baby? We are looking for someone to represent our legend's crown prince, Haakon Haakonsson. This little one will not have any official royal duties this year due to the pandemic, but they get the 2021 Birkie Baby title. [Email our office](#) with contact information.



Barnebirkie family ski

Registration for our family ski will open in January. The 1 and 3 km Barnebirkie ski events take place on Valentines Day. Mark your calendar and plan to enjoy **Birkie Sunday**, February 14, 2021 at Silver Skate in Hawrelak Park in Edmonton.



Birkie Trail Blazers

The Birkie Trail Blazer volunteers have been preparing Birkieland ski trails for you. Between the chainsaws, brush saws and hand pruning, a significant amount of maintenance has been done already. This work continues in winter; if you want to volunteer sign up [here](#). The Cooking Lake Blackfoot Provincial Recreation Area trails will be tracked soon, and it will be time to get out there on those skinny skis and enjoy. **THANK YOU**, crew.

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