

**Biathlon Canada,
United States Biathlon Association
Biathlon Alberta**



Invite you to attend the
North American Cup #6

SPRINT AND PURSUIT *

January 17 & 18, 2009

Official training on January 16, 2009

(Trial days as noted by Biathlon Canada for selections)



For IBU Categories ONLY
Men, Women, Junior Men/Women, Youth Men/Women

Canmore Nordic Centre
Canmore, Alberta, Canada



Volunteers from
ALBERTA EVENT HOSTING SOCIETY FOR BIATHLON

Sanctioned by Biathlon Canada and Biathlon Alberta

* Pursuit as per NorAm Hosting Policy dated June 2008



ALBERTA EVENT HOSTING SOCIETY FOR BIATHLON (AEHSB)



November 20, 2008

Welcome,

The Alberta Event Hosting Society for Biathlon welcome you to the Canmore Nordic Center for the North American Biathlon Cup #6 in Canmore on January 17 & 18, 2009. This will be the second North American Cup held this season at Canmore in a series of three held in Western Canada.

We will be hosting a number of teams from western provinces as they prepare for the the 2009 IBU Biathlon Youth and Junior World Championships and compete in trials for the team selection.

Official training will take place for the NorAm athletes on Friday, January 16. Of course, you may come earlier and enjoy the wonderful scenery, great hospitality of the region, and ski on the trails during the early part of the week. Visit the newly renovated Day Lodge at the Nordic Centre to purchase ski passes for those extra days prior to the event. From January 16th any range time must be booked in advance through the event organizer. Before that time please contact magi.scallion@gov.ab.ca.

Carol Henley
Competition Secretary for
Alberta Event Hosting Society for Biathlon

Organizing committee:

Organizing Committee Chair	Ken Davies
Competition Chief	Noel Charchuk
Chief of Timing	Tim Brown
Chief of Course	Veli Niinimaa
Chief of Stadium	Jim Murphy
Chief of Range	Rick Green
Competition Secretary	Carol Henley
Volunteer Coordinators	Nancy Andrews, Sharon Chesham, Dave Wunderlich

IBU Technical Delegate:

Mr. Charlie Pacas appointed by Biathlon Canada

Questions should be directed to Carol Henley at henleyfa@nucleus.com
Phone/Fax 403-240-4723, or cell 403-389-1697

Eligibility:

If correctly registered and entered by their Canadian Division or USBA Region any member of USBA or Biathlon Canada in good standing may participate in the NACH or NAC event if they have a valid USBA or Biathlon Canada Competitor membership card. The competitors must be prepared to show their membership card for the current year at the event reception.

Citizenship and Residency:

A competitor must be a Canadian or USA citizen or a landed immigrant in Canada or a USA Green Card holder in order to be eligible to be a medalist at a NACH or BNAC event. However, non-USA/Canadian persons may participate if they are members of a Biathlon Canada Division . USBA or IBU Federation. Additionally, a competitor may represent only one nation or Region/Division in any one-competition season.

Competition Ability:

Any Division or Region registering a competitor for any NACH or BNAC event tacitly guarantees that competitor's ability to compete at that level of competition.

Awards:**2.2 PRIZE MONEY FOR BIATHLON NORTH AMERICAN CUPS (\$900.00 / event)**

For each event of the NAC (2 or 3 competitions) prize money will be distributed based on a cumulative ranking. Prize money will be allocated according to a ranking, which will be established by the addition of the NAC points of each competition of the event (Individual, Sprint, Pursuit or Mass Start). The top three athletes in each of the IBU classes having accumulated the most points will be awarded the prize money as follows:

First 75.00\$ CAD Second 50.00\$ CAD Third 25.00\$ CAD

USBA & Biathlon Canada will administrate the prize money and make available at each Event in their jurisdiction.

Prizes will be awarded on the last day of the event in person to the winners of eligible North American Resident Competitors. No money will be mailed.

Non-Resident Firearms Declaration Process:

When bringing a firearm into Canada you must fill out the form listed below in triplicate and present it to the customs agent. One person may bring more than one firearm into the country and still only pay a one-time fee for a year. A Team coach may fill out one form for the entire team if traveling together.

<http://www.cfc-cafc.gc.ca>

Go to 'English' then 'to the menu on left for 'forms'. Look under 'non-residents' for CAFC 909 and CAFC 910. You may fill them out on line and print them off in preparation for your border crossing with the custom agents. Do not sign them until you are at the border. You will need three for the border, plus your license to own guns.

Photo ID is recommended for border crossings.

Ammunition is not available in the town of Canmore. Calgary has two sporting goods stores that will have target ammunition from Federal, CCI, and Remington. Make sure to bring enough with you for your training and competition needs.

REGISTRATION: at www.biathlon.ca open **December 22, 2008** and follow the links.

Registration will be accepted **ONLY** on-line through the Biathlon Alberta website with links through Biathlon Canada
Payment **must be** made using a credit card (Visa or Master Card).

On-line registration will close on Tuesday January 14, 2009 at 2359 MST. No Registration will be taken on site.
All Competitors **MUST** be a member of a Division , State, or IBU Federation to compete.

Proof of membership is required to compete. Enter the number in the membership field (USBA competitor's use
'USBA" in the membership field . European Federations use your country abbreviation)

FEES:

Men, Women, Junior Men/Women, Youth Men/Women,

\$60 plus on-line service charge (includes trail passes for official training and two competition days)

*one day for above categories

\$30 plus on-line service charge (includes trail pass for one competition day only)

Cancellation policy in effect:

If event cancelled due to severe cold weather four days before the event then a 50% refund of registration fees will be refunded by Biathlon Alberta on behalf of the hosting clubs.

If the event is cancelled on the competition weekend due to severe cold weather or force majeure, no refund of registration fees will be made.

If an athlete withdraws before the registration deadline then a \$10 processing fee will apply before a refund is sent.

Type of Competitions:

Saturday

Sprint as per IBU rules

Sunday

Pursuit as per NorAm Hosting Policy dated June 2008

EVENT SCHEDULE FOR NORAM CUP #6

January 15, 2009

Thursday

Thursday	Unofficial training	Range time booked via henleyfa@nucleus.com
Thursday 1000	Office open in Timing Building	Wax Room Key pick up
Thursday 1900	Team captains meeting for NorAM.	TBD but on site Jury Selection, & Jury of Appeal. course information

January 16, 2009

Friday

Friday 0800	Office open in Timing Building	Pass Pick up, information, Wax Room Key pick up, Lane Assignments
Friday 1000 – 1300	Official training IBU	passes included with two-day event registration
Friday 1400-1600	Unofficial training for other groups	Limited area for Zero
Friday 1700	Range closed for rest of day & evening.	Competition preparations – no shooting after this time.
Friday 1900 -2030	Team Captains meeting NorAm	TBD but on site NorAm Cup athlete verifications by coaches, jury selections, sprint draw, course information, and light refreshments.

January 17, 2009

Saturday

Sat 0800	Office open	bib pick up by team representative
Sat 1000-1045	Zero	All Categories
Sat 1015	Equipment check opens	equipment checked, leg numbers applied
Sat 1100	Sprint competition start	All Categories
Sat 1400	Awards	Outside in front of the Biathlon Stadium or in very cold weather in the Bill Warren Training Center

January 18, 2009

Sunday

Sun 0800	Office open	bib pick up by team representative
Sun 0900-0945	Zero	All Categories
0915	Equipment check opens	equipment checked, leg numbers applied
1000	Pursuit competition	All Categories
1300	Awards	Bill Warren training center main room presentation of prize money.

Schedule could change due to weather conditions and number of competitors. The Organizing committee reserves the right to change the event schedule as needed. . If advance notices are possible, information will be posted on the Biathlon Alberta and Biathlon Canada websites.

All notices will be posted on the upper level notice board outside the biathlon timing building during the event

Wax Rooms:

Wax rooms with air exchangers & wax tables are available by reservation. Athlete numbers will determine room assignment. The wax room building is situated next to the wax testing area and next to the biathlon stadium. There is no charge for the room as the registration fees cover the fees, however, there is a refundable deposit charged per key of \$75 cash or check. Fill out the document at the end of this invitation and e-mail to henleyfa@nucleus.com prior to January 13, 2009

Competition Office:

Will be located in the Biathlon Timing building by the range.

The office will be open on:

Thursday afternoon 10:00 – 20:00

Friday 08:00-16:00

Saturday 08:00-1:600

Sunday 08:00-17:00

Office volunteers will be at the location for awards during awards times.

Parking:

We ask that the biathlon area be used as a drop off area for athletes and equipment only.

Parking will be available at the main lot by the Day Lodge. Teams with trailers may request a pass for the biathlon area if the trailer is going to be unhitched.

Volunteer check in:

Will be in the upstairs area of the biathlon timing building. At the rear of the biathlon parking lot go up the outside stairs and enter the first door of the building.

Tunnels:

Tunnels will be used for the entire competition to keep the snow in good ski-able condition.

Please help us maintain the snow by using only designated walk areas and entrance tunnels from the parking lot to the equipment check and then to the range will be used for the entire competition. Volunteers will use the same tunnels.

Use skis in the stadium, course and range.

Course Maps

Course Maps are attached to this document. The natural snow and the condition of the manmade snow will define the loops available. These documents list the “best case” with perfect conditions. Courses use the options available with the consultation of the CNC staff and the requirements of the athletes competing. The organizing committee works to provide an excellent event for all.

Sporting Good Stores

Wholesale Sports of Canada Ltd. 25 Heritage Meadows, Way S. E. Calgary , AB 1-800-696-0253 or 403-253-5581
Russell’s Sports, #28, 8228 Macleod Trail S. Calgary, AB T2H 2B8 1-888-353-4098 toll free or 403-258-0545

Ski Loops Distances, & Sequences For NorAm Cup #6, 2009

CLASS	AGE	SPRINT	Sprint sequence	PURSUIT	Pursuit sequence
Men	21+	10 km 3+4+3 km 3.3km x 3	PS	12.5 km 2.5 km x 5	PPSS
Women	21+	7.5 km 2.5km x 3	PS	10 km 2 km x 5	PPSS
Junior Men	19-20	10 km 3+4+3 km 3.3km x 3	PS	12.5 km 2.5 km x 5	PPSS
Junior Women	19-20	7.5 km 2.5km x 3	PS	10 km 2 km x 5	PPSS
Youth Men	17-18	7.5 km 2.5km x 3	PS	10 km 2 km x 5	PPSS
Youth Women	17-18	6 km 2km x 3	PS	7.5 km 1.5 km x 5	PPSS

Required Loops by Competition Type

Comp	4km	3.3km	3km	2.5km	2km	1.5km	1.25km
SP	✓	Option	✓	✓	✓		
Pursuit				✓	✓	✓	
Colour	Brown	Blue	Yellow	Green	Red	Orange	Black

Courses may change due to snow, weather, and safety.

Canmore Nordic Centre:

There is food service at the visitor center with hot and cold food for purchase. There are showers and toilets in the wax room areas but you must bring your personal towels and supplies. Showers run on coins. The visitor centre has been upgraded and has expanded the floor space for visitors. Pack a lunch or use the food service at the centre.

Accommodations:

Visit www.tourismcanmore.com accommodations list to see the local hotels and amenities available.

Rocky Mountain Ski Lodge 1-800-665-6111 ask for biathlon rates

Quality Resort Chateau Canmore 1-800-261-8551 All Suite Hotel

The Drake Inn 1-800-461-8730 downtown and some live music on weekends

Bow Valley Motel 1-402-678-5085 1-800-665-8189 downtown

Rundle Mountain Motel 1-403-678-5322, 1-800-661-1610

Best Western Pocaterra Inn 1-403-678-4334 (has breakfast included in rates)

Canmore Mountain Lodge 1-403-678-5488. 1-888-661-2133

Radisson Hotel & Conference Center Canmore 1-888-201-1718

Calgary International Airport is 112 Km from Canmore Nordic Centre.

All Car Rental agencies are available at the airport.

Driving time from Calgary is 1.5 hours in good weather on excellent four-lane highways part of which is located in the foothills of Alberta.

Vancouver to Canmore is 9 to 11 hours,

Edmonton to Canmore is 4.5 hours.

Be sure to bring your camera.

