Biathlon Canada
United States Biathlon Association
Biathlon Alberta
Invite you to attend the

North American Biathlon Championship
And
Canadian National Biathlon Championship

March 7-12, 2017

Competition categories
Men, Women*
Junior Men/Women *
Youth Men/Women*
Senior Boys/Girls
Master Men/Women

*North American Championship and Canadian Championship will be concurrent competitions
Medals will be awarded in each event by hosting policy

2017 IBU rules and the 2016-2017 NorAm and Canadian Hosting policies apply
Canmore Nordic Centre Provincial Park, Biathlon Venue
1988 Olympic Way, Canmore, Alberta, Canada, T1W 2T6

Hosted by: Biathlon Alberta and Alberta Event Hosting Society for Biathlon

UPDATED INVITATION

FOR EVENT RELOCATED FROM PRINCE GEORGE TO CANMORE

February 22, 2017

Biathlon Alberta and Alberta Event Hosting Society for Biathlon welcome you to Canmore for the relocated 2017 North American Biathlon Championships and Canadian Biathlon Championships March 7-12, 2017.

We were sorry to hear this past weekend that the Prince George organizing committee was forced to give back these championships due to poor snow conditions. We know that they have worked very hard to organize a great event and they must be disappointed. The Canmore organizers will do our best to step in to host the 2017 championships and we hope that Prince George will have another chance to host these events in the very near future. We invite the Prince George Organizing Committee (OC) and volunteers to participate in running these events.

Here are some answers to frequently asked questions:

1. If you registered for these competitions in Prince George, your registration will be automatically transferred to Canmore. If you wish to change or remove your registration, the Zone4 online registration site available through the Prince George, Biathlon Canada and Biathlon Alberta web sites will be open until 23:59 Mountain Time on February 26th, 2017.
2. We have made some changes to the race schedule and format. The **Sprint competition will be held Wednesday March 8**. The **Thursday (March 9) competition will be the Individual format for ALL Categories**. The rest of the schedule remains the same as Prince George. with Saturday, a Pursuit and Sunday, the Relay.
3. We have enough wax rooms for all teams but please register with the race secretary per the instructions in this document.
4. The exact timing of the banquet and Biathlon Canada awards ceremony is to be determined.
5. There is no box lunch service arranged by the Canmore OC. The Canmore and Prince George OC's will collaborate to provide refunds before the event is over. Information about refunds will be available at the Canmore competition office or on the Biathlon Canada web site.
6. There is a cafeteria in the day lodge at the Canmore Nordic Centre where food and drink can be purchased.
7. Training will be available Monday, Tuesday and Friday for all registered participants per the schedule in this document. Training will include the location of the stadium, penalty loop & start/finish but will not be set up for race day. Trail and range passes are included in your registration from March 7th through March 12th inclusive. You must go to the race office to obtain these passes (if you don't already have CNCPP passes). Monday is a travel day for most teams but if you arrive on Sunday and want to use the range, please notify the OC ahead of time to make arrangements for the extra day

Carol Henley
Competition Chief

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FOREIGN CURRENCY EXCHANGE

Organizing committee:	
Organizing Committee Chair	Ken Davies
Competition Chief	Carol Henley
Chief of Timing	Andy Holmwood
Chief of Course	TBC
Chief of Stadium	Kirsten Kaarsoo
Chief of Range	Scott Chisholm
Competition Secretary	Karin Kaarsoo & Sherry Thompson
Volunteer Coordinator	Robyn Williams & Micki Chong
IBU Technical Delegate:	Bruce Jarvis
National Referees	Paul Collard, Ron Pelletier
North American Referee	TBD

Questions Should be directed to **Carol Henley** at henleyfa@nucleus.com or **Ken Davies** at ken@lumina.ca

ELIGIBILITY TO COMPETE:
As per the applicable Hosting Policy.

Non-Resident Firearms Declaration Process:
Teams and individual competitors from outside of Canada **must** declare their rifles at the Canadian border, complete the necessary documentation, and pay the required fees when bringing rifles and ammunition into Canada.

Firearms Permits:
It is mandatory that all athletes have in their possession, and be able to show upon request, their PAL or Minor's License. All Competitors must comply with Canadian firearms laws and their provincial/territorial firearms regulations.

Ammunition:
Wapiti Sports in Canmore can order Lapua with enough time ahead and stocks a limited amount of RWS Target. http://wapitisports.com/our-store-hunting-firearms/ Calgary has two sporting goods stores that will have target ammunition from Federal, Winchester, CCI, Remington but not Lapua. *Make sure to bring enough with you for your training and competition needs.*

Only Range Safety Officers registered with the Canmore Nordic Centre are able to reserve lanes:
You must have a Range Safety Officer on site during your practice time and that can be arranged through contact with our organizing committee. If you are coming early, please drop us a note to let us know. There will be RSO's on duty for each training time during this event as per the schedule list. We are working around the normal activities on the range with the local clubs regular training times with their younger athletes. We know you will understand changing schedules requires flexibility for everyone involved. Thank you for your consideration.

REGISTRATION:

NOTE THAT REGISTRATIONS MADE TO THE PRINCE GEORGE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY MOVED TO THE CANMORE EVENTS. ANY REFUNDS WILL BE DEALT WITH BY THE TIME OF THE CHAMPIONSHIPS. NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE NO BOX LUNCH PROGRAM IN CANMORE

On-Line Registration on Zone4 is open now. Go to www.biathlon.ca and follow the links or to www.zone4.ca.
Payment **must be** made using a credit card (Visa or Master Card)**. On line charge will apply.**
On-line registration closes on Sunday February 26, 2017 at 23:59 MST. No Registration will be taken on site.
All Competitors MUST have a 2016/2017 membership for their Division or State/Nation. Proof of membership is required to compete. Enter the number in the membership field (USBA competitor's use 'USBA' in the membership field)

Competition fees for this North American Championships and Canadian Championships include: Wax room, ski pass, and range pass fees for of the event for March 7 through March 12, 2017. Any other days will be the responsibility of the athlete or team. The passes are valid for the duration of the event. No replacements will be issued if lost.

The fines for skiing without a pass or using the range without a pass are very steep and are to be avoided. Season pass holders must have their passes available. Athletes without CNCPP season passes will be provided their passes when their coach comes to pick up their team wax key. Passes are valid for the duration of the event. If you lose it, replacements can be purchased at the day lodge for $15 per day per athlete.

Passes for the extra days (those not included in the competition fees) or a monthly range pass can be purchased at the Day Lodge Guest Services Window from 9am to 5pm 7 days a week or season passes can be purchased on line at http://www.albertaparks.ca/canmore-nordic-centre/activities-events/cross-country-skiing.aspx click 'trail use fees' to see the prices for both the ski passes and the range passes in Canadian Dollars.
http://www.albertaparks.ca/canmore-nordic-centre/ scroll down to 'How Do I' Buy a biathlon range pass. Click the biathlon range pass and it will take you to the site to book an ANNUAL CNCPP pass for the range. All other range passes are available at the Canmore Nordic Day Lodge. The above information page will provide the toll free numbers.

ENTRY FEES North American Championship & Canadian Championship, 2017

Categories	All Competitions & Banquet
Men/Women, Junior Men/Women, Youth Men/Women, Senior Boys/Girls, Masters Men/Women (35+)	**$200 Canadian** plus on-line charge

Cancellation Policy in Effect: If the event is cancelled due to extreme weather, three days before the event then a 50% refund of registration fees will be refunded by Biathlon Alberta on behalf of the hosting organization.
If the event is cancelled on the competition weekend due to extreme 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. In the event of extreme weather during the week every effort will be considered to reschedule the competition to make a good event for the athletes attending Nationals.

COMPETITIONS:
Wednesday March 8: Sprint all categories
Thursday March 9: Individual all categories
Saturday March 11: Pursuit (Biathlon Canada/North American Hosting Policy rule – 5 second subsequent start based on position in Sprint)
Sunday March 12: Mixed Relays (Biathlon Canada/North American Hosting Policy rules)

EVENT SCHEDULE

March 6, 2017 Monday	**Office Opens Team Arrival Day**	
	Range booked by clubs: fees required $7.50 range pass per person per day for non season pass holders $15.00 ski pass per person per day for non season pass holders	**Trail & Range passes must be purchased from Day Lodge. Range bookings can be made at the Day Lodge or by calling 403-678-2400. This day is NOT part of the event**
	1200 – 1800 Office open in Timing Building Wax room key pick up	Must be booked ahead. $100 deposit required in cash or cheque. Rooms booked by OC by team numbers
	1900 - Team captains meeting Bill Warren Training Centre	Jury Selection, course information presented for training day on Tuesday
	1800 -2100 Training – Local Clubs Only	Training night for regular club programs.
March 7, 2017 Tuesday	**Training**	
	0800 Office open in Timing Building	Pick-up trail passes, wax room keys
	0900– 1200 Training	Lane Assignments
	1300-1600 Training	Lane Assignments
	1700 Range closed	Competition preparation
	1900 - Team Captains meeting Bill Warren Training Centre	Athlete verifications by coaches, Sprint draw, course information
March 8, 2017 Wednesday	**Sprint Competition**	
	0800 Office open in Timing Building	Bib pick up by team representative
	0845 Equipment check opens	Rifles checked for trigger & serial number, leg numbers applied, skis marked
	0900-0945 Zero	Lanes assigned
	1000 Sprint Start AM	AM Classes to be determined
	Awards for AM Categories presented when final results posted (approx. 1200)	Outside upper level Timing Building
	1200 Setup for PM Competition	
	1215 Equipment check opens	Rifles checked for trigger & serial number, leg numbers applied, skis marked
	1230-1315 Zero PM Sprint Competition	PM Classes to be determined
	1330 Sprint Start PM	
	Awards when final results are posted	Outside Upper level Timing Building
	1900 - Team Captains meeting Bill Warren Training Centre	Confirmation of athletes, draw for Individual, information on Pursuit and Relay
March 9, 2017 Thursday	**Individual Competition**	
	0800 Office open in Timing Building	Bib pick up by team representative
	0845 Equipment Check opens	Rifles checked for trigger, leg numbers applied, skis marked
	0900 -0945 Zero	
	1000 Individual Start AM	AM Classes to be determined
	Awards for AM categories presented when final results posted (approx. 1200)	Outside upper level Timing Building
	1200 Set-up for PM competition	
	1215 Equipment check opens	Rifles checked for trigger, leg numbers applied, skis marked
	1230-1315 Zero PM Classes Individual	
	1330 Individual Start PM	PM classes to be determined
	Awards when final results are posted	Outside upper level Timing Building
	1900 Banquet & BiCan Awards	TBD
March 10, 2017 Friday	**Training**	
	1000 Office open in Timing Building	
	0930 1230 Training	Lane Assignments
	1330 –1530 Training	Lane Assignments
	Relay teams selection due **by number** at 1600 for official and unofficial teams	

March 11, 2017 Saturday	**Pursuit Competitions**	Canadian hosting policy 2.3.1.2 / BNA 2.2.4 for information
	0800 Office open in Timing Building	Bib pick up by team representative
	0845 Equipment Check opens	Rifles checked, leg numbers applied, skis marked
	0900 -0945 Zero	
	1000 Pursuit Start AM	AM Classes to be determined
	Awards for AM categories presented when final results posted (approx. 1130)	Outside upper level Timing Building
	1200 set up for pm	
	1215 Equipment check opens	Rifles checked, skis marked, leg numbers
	1230 -1315 Zero PM	
	1320 Pursuit Start PM	PM classes to be determined
	Awards when final results are posted	Outside upper level Timing Building
	Team relay selection by **athlete name** due at 1400 at Competition office for official and unofficial teams	
March 12, 2017 Sunday	Relay Day	Canadian hosting policy 2.3.1.1 / BNA 2.2.5 for information
	0800 Office open in Timing Building	Bib pick up by team representative
	0845 Equipment Check opens	Rifles marked, leg numbers applied, skis marked
	0900 -0945 Zero	
	1000 Start AM groups	AM groups to be determined
	Awards for AM categories presented when final results posted (approx. 1200)	Outside upper level Timing Building
	1200 Set-up for PM competition	
	1215 Equipment check opens	Rifles marked, leg numbers applied, skis marked
	1230 -1315 zero pm	
	1330 Start PM Classes	PM groups to be determined
	Awards when final results are posted	Outside upper level Timing Building
	Return Keys to Competition Office	Deposit returned when keys returned
	Safe Travels	

***Schedule and classes may change due to weather conditions and number of competitors.**
The Organizing committee reserves the right to change the event schedule as needed. Every effort will be made to alert participants of changes through the Biathlon Alberta Website and social media pages. All notices will be posted on the upper level notice board outside the biathlon timing building.

COMPETITION OFFICE:
Located upstairs in the Biathlon Timing building by the range. Hours will be Monday March 6, 1200-1800, and for the rest of the week 0800-1800. The Competition Secretary, Karin, may be contacted at 403-813-7052.

VOLUNTEER CHECK-IN:
Located upstairs in the Day Lodge.

WAX ROOMS:
The wax room building is situated next to the wax testing area and the biathlon stadium.
There is a refundable deposit of $100 (cash (no ATM at CNCPP) or cheque only) per key to the wax room(s). Each team will have wax room(s). The team using the room will pay for other days of wax room use. Athlete numbers will determine room assignment.
E-mail Karin Kaarsoo at info@canmorebiathlon.ca with your request indicating number of athletes, staff, and arrival time/date departure date/time. We will do our best to accommodate your needs.

TIMING:
Transponders, Summit systems and the Kurvinen target system will be used during this event to provide the results. Paper back up is used at Canmore.

TUNNELS:
Please help us maintain our snow by only walking in designated walk areas. Tunnels are to be used for the entire competition to keep the snow in good skiable condition. 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. Leave all extra bags, equipment and clothing in the team rooms.

COURSE MAPS:
Course Maps are attached and also will be posted on the wax room bulletin boards, and outside the timing building. A hard copy will be provided at the first coaches meeting. Note that all courses and course junctions are permanently signed.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:
Rifles must be in a case while in the parking lot or on the back of the athlete via a carry harness. Athletes are encouraged to bring only the essentials for their needs to the range for zeroing and the competition. All other items are to be left in the team room to avoid clutter on the range.

Ski Distances & Shooting Sequences

CLASSES	AGE	Sprint	Individual	Pursuit	Relay
Men	21+	10 km PS	20 km PSPS	12.5 km PPSS	3 x 6 km PS
Women	21+	7.5 km PS	15 km PSPS	10 km PPSS	3 x 6 km PS
Junior Men	19-20	10 km PS	15km PSPS	12.5 km PPSS	3 x 6 km PS
Junior Women	19-20	7.5 km PS	12.5 km PSPS	10 km PPSS	3 x 6 km PS
Youth Men	17-18	7.5 km PS	12.5 km PSPS	10 km PPSS	3 x 6 km PS
Youth Women	17-18	6 km PS	10 km PSPS	7.5 km PPSS	3 x 6 km PS
Senior Boys	Under 17	6 km PS	7.5 km PSPS	7.5 km PPSS	3 x 4.5 km PS
Senior Girls	Under 17	6 km PS	7.5 km PSPS	7.5 km PPSS	3 x 4.5 km PS
Masters Men	35+	6 km PS	10 km PSPS	7.5 km PPSS	3 x 4.5 km PS
Masters Women	35+	6 km PS	7.5 km PSPS	7.5 km PPSS	3 x 4.5 km PS

RIFLE CARRYING:
- Senior Boys and Girls categories will carry their rifles only on the range (see non-carry procedure) and will shoot in the prone and standing positions. **Rifles will be transported by the OC as outlined in the hosting policy for Nationals.**
- Masters and Sport Men/Women must indicate to the OC if they are NOT carrying and using the partial carry procedure
- Individual missed shot penalty is .45 sec for all but Men/Women & Junior Men/Women where it is 1-minute penalty.

Required Loops by Competition Type

Comp	4km	3.3km	3km	2.5km	2km	1.5km
Sprint		✓		✓	✓	
Individual	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
Pursuit				✓	✓	✓
Relay					✓	✓
Colour	**Brown**	**Blue**	**Yellow**	**Green**	**Red**	**Orange**

AWARDS:
Awards will be presented outside the upper level of the Timing Building Immediately after final results are posted.
Medals for both competitions and NA cup points will be awarded in a class as prescribed in the Canadian and North American Hosting policies.
Veli Niinimaa Awards will be presented during the medal presentations after each competition for those having clean bouts of shooting. All competitors are eligible for shooting awards.

CANMORE NORDIC CENTRE:
There is food service at the Day Lodge with hot and cold food for purchase. Pack a lunch or use the food service at the centre. There are toilets and coin-operated showers in the wax room areas and the Day Lodge but you must bring your personal towels and supplies.

PARKING:
Please park only in designated areas. Parking will be at a premium during this event. We ask that the biathlon area be used as a drop off area for athletes and equipment only. Parking is available at the main lot by the Day Lodge and in the overflow lot. Teams with trailers may request a pass for the biathlon area if the trailer is going to be unhitched.

ACCOMMODATIONS:
Canmore offers a wide variety of hotels, condos, suites, vacation rentals and B&Bs.
Visit www.canmorealberta.com, http://www.tourismcanmore.com or www.canmorehotels.com to see the local hotels and amenities available.
Coast Hotel & Conference Center Canmore http://www.coasthotels.com/hotels/ab/canmore/coast-canmore-hotel-and-conference-centre/. contact Kristy Sing, Conference Services Manager Direct: 403-609-5431 k.sing@CoastHotels.com
Special rates offered until Friday, February 24, 2017.
Availability:
March 5-13, 2017 (we do not have any rooms available for March 3 & 4 at this time)
20 Rooms with 2 Queen beds
20 rooms with 1 King bed
Rates:
Full Board: $189/$139 Per person single/double occupancy
Half Board: $169/$119 Per person single/double occupancy
Bed & Breakfast: $120/$70 Per person single/double occupancy
Rocky Mountain Ski Lodge http://www.rockyski.ca Toll Free: 1-800-665-6111 Phone: 1-403-678-5445 ask for Sport rates
A limited number of Standard rooms available for this event. Inquire to above phone numbers.
Windtower Lodge & Suites 160 Kananaskis Way Canmore, T1W 3E2 403-609-6600 X507 Kristopher Belleperche sales@windtower.ca
Rates include breakfast Standard Room $99, 1 Bedroom Suite $179, full kitchen, 2 Bedroom Suite $269 Full Kitchen, two washrooms

Quality Resort Chateau Canmore http://www.chateaucanmore.com/ 1-800-261-8551 Phone: 1-403-678-6699 All-Suite Hotel
The Drake Inn http://www.drakeinn.com/ Toll Free: 1-800-461-8730 Phone: 1-403-678-5131 downtown
Canmore Mountain Lodge http://www.canmoremountainlodge.com/ Toll Free: 1-800-661-2133 Phone: 1-403-678-5488
LOCATION:
https://www.google.ca/maps/place/Canmore+Nordic+Centre/@51.0903395,-115.3877238,17z/data=!3m1!4b1!4m2!3m1!1s0x5370cf52096c28eb:0xf726180e425ae50?hl=en

Calgary International Airport is 122 Km from the Canmore Nordic Centre. The new Ring Road (Stoney Trail) is the fastest way to get to and from the airport, avoiding numerous lights and traffic in Calgary.
All Car Rental agencies are available at the airport.
Driving time from Calgary is 1.3 hours in good weather on excellent four-lane highways
Vancouver to Canmore is 9 to 11 hours