



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

***North American Cup #7,
Western Canadian Championships
February 23, 24 & 25, 2018***

***Calforex Biathlon Cup #5
February 24 & 25, 2018***

Individual & Sprint

IBU categories NorAm Cup: Men, Women, Junior Men/Women, Youth Men/Women

Western categories: Master Men/Women, Men, Women, Junior Men/Women,
Youth Men/Women, Senior Boys/Girls, Junior Boys/Girls

Calforex categories: Master Men/Women, Men, Women, Junior Men/Women,
Youth Men/Women, Sport Men/Women, Senior Boys/Girls, Dev. 2 Boys, Dev. 2 Girls
Dev. 1 Boys, Dev. 1 Girls

No Air Rifle Categories will be included in this competition weekend

NorAm Cup #7 and Western Canadian Championships/Calforex Biathlon Cup #5 will be concurrent competitions.
Medals will be awarded in each competition based on the current hosting policy

2016 IBU rules, the 2017 – 18 NorAm hosting policy and the 2017- 2018 Canadian/Westerns hosting policy apply

River Bend Golf and Recreation Area – Red Deer, Alberta.



January 15, 2018

Biathlon Alberta welcomes you to the River Bend Golf and Recreation Area for the North American Biathlon Cup #7 February 23 -25, 2018 and Western Canadian Championships/Calforex Biathlon Cup #5 in Red Deer on February 24 – 25, 2018. The organizing committee is looking forward to hosting an excellent competition and athletes from across North America are encouraged to attend this event. This will be the site for the 2019 Canada Winter Games. The range has 24 new mechanical Kurvinen targets and excellent skiing trails.

Official training will take place for the NorAm athletes & Westerns IBU age categories the morning of Friday, February 23. Western athletes in other age categories will have official training, snow permitting, in the afternoon on the same day. The Event fees include the trail passes for the athletes when they complete the registration on line. Please fill out all the questions on the registration form so we can provide you with a quality experience at our event.

There are no enclosed waxing facilities at this site. There is power in the parking lot and space for some pop-up tents. Cooperation & flexibility among the teams will be required as we work together on this new facility.

Carol Henley
Competition Chief

2019 CWG Sport Technical Representative
for Biathlon Canada

Organizing committee:	
Organizing Committee Chair	Ken Davies
Competition Chief	Carol Henley
Chief of Timing	Andy Holmwood & Jordan McGuire
Chief of Course	Lyle McLeod
Chief of Stadium	Kirsten Kaarsoo
Chief of Range	Scott Chisholm
Competition Secretary	Karin Kaarsoo
Volunteer Coordinator	Lavina Gilliland
IBU Technical Delegate: 2019 CWG TD	Veli Niinimaa
CWG Manager Sport	Adam Powell
CWG Sport Lead - Biathlon	Trevor Naldrett
CWG Sport Coordinator - Biathlon	Julie Rosenfeld

Questions should be directed to Carol Henley at henleyfa@nucleus.com Phone 403-240-4723

Eligibility to Compete:

Competitors from all IBU member NFs will be eligible to participate in NAC events and the NACH. However, only members of the teams of the host continent NFs will be eligible to be Continental Champions and medalists. Participation quotas may be set by respective BNA. Competitors must be prepared to show a membership card or otherwise demonstrate proof of such membership for the current year as part of the event registration and entry process. For Canadian Citizens, it is mandatory that all athletes have in their possession, and be able to show upon request their (PAL) or their Minor's Permit, which are firearms licenses issued by the Government of Canada.

Citizenship and Residency (as per IBU constitution):

The IBU Rules with respect to the Nationality of Athletes will be used to determine any question of eligibility, for reasons of citizenship, of any athlete entered into a competition that is conducted under this Policy. As an additional requirement under this Policy, an athlete may represent only one Division or Region within a single competition season. There are no residency restrictions under this Policy.

Competition Ability:

Any Division or Region registering a Competitor for any SBNACH, NACH or NAC event tacitly guarantees that the Competitor is fully able to compete at the international level.

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.

All athletes must register their own rifles and pay the applicable \$25 CDN fee.

Refer to the government website at <http://www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/cfp-pcaf/fs-fd/visit-visite-eng.htm> for guidelines.

To obtain a rifle permit application form visit <http://www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/cfp-pcaf/form-formulaire/pdfs/5589-eng.pdf>

REGISTRATION:

On-Line Registration on Zone4 will open February 1, 2018. Go to www.biathlon.ca and follow the links or go to [Zone4](#).

Payment **must be** made using a credit card (Visa or Master Card). **On line charge will apply.**

On-line registration closes on Wednesday February 21, 2018 at 23:59 MST. No Registration will be taken on site.

All Competitors MUST have a 2017/2018 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 Cup #7 / Calforex Biathlon Cup #5 concurrent competitions include ski pass fees for of the event for Feb 23 training day, Feb 24th competition day and 25th competition day. Development 1 and Development 2/Junior competition fees per day include ski pass for either Saturday and/or Sunday

ENTRY FEES

Categories	One Competition	Two Competitions
Men/Women, Junior Men/Women, Youth Men/Women, Senior Boys/Girls, Sport Men/Women, Masters Men/Women	\$30 Canadian plus on-line charge	\$60 Canadian plus on-line charge
Dev. 1 Boys/Girls, Junior/Dev. 2 Boys/Girls	\$23 Canadian plus on-line charge	\$46 Canadian plus on-line charge

Cancellation Policy in Effect: If the event is cancelled due to severe cold weather, three 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.

COMPETITIONS:

Saturday: Individual (2016 IBU rules)

Sunday: Sprint (2016 IBU Rules)

COMPETITION OFFICE:

Located in the Pro Shop. Hours will be Thursday afternoon 1600-2000, Friday 0800-1800, Saturday 0800-1800, Sunday 0800-1700. Office volunteers may be at the location for awards during award times.

VOLUNTEER CHECK-IN:

In the Clubhouse

WAX ROOMS:

There are NO enclosed waxing facilities at this site. There is power in the parking lot so bring extension cords, wax forms and tables.

TIMING:

Transponders and Summit systems will be used during this event to provide the results.

COURSE MAPS:

Detailed course maps will be posted on biathlon.ca as soon as available. A high-level map is attached to this invitation. Courses used will be challenging and maps will be distributed at the team captain's meeting.

**EVENT SCHEDULE FOR NORAM BIATHLON CUP #7 & WESTERN CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIP Feb 23 – Feb 25, 2018
AND CALFOREX BIATHLON CUP #6, Feb 24 – Feb 25, 2018**

February 22, 2018		
Thursday	1600 Office open in Pro Shop River Bend Golf Club House	Prep for NorAm team captain meeting
Thursday	1800 - Team captains meeting - River Bend Golf and Recreation Area Club House	NorAm & Westerns Jury Selection, course information presented
February 23, 2018		
Training for NorAm Cup		
Friday	0800 Office open in Club House	Pick-up trail passes
Friday	930– 1200 Official Training NorAm & Westerns	IBU Categories Only - Lane Assignments
Friday	1300-1630 official training westerns & unofficial for Calforex Cup subject to conditions on site	Lanes assigned by RSO on duty
Friday	1700 Range closed	Competition preparation
Friday	1900 - Team Captains meeting NorAm Cup &, Westerns, Calforex Cup - River Bend Golf and Recreation Area Club House	Athlete verifications by coaches, Calforex Cup jury selections, Individual draw, course information, light refreshments.
February 24, 2018		
Individual Competition		
Saturday	0800 Office open in Pro Shop	Bib pick up by team representative
Saturday	0845 Equipment check opens	rifles checked for trigger & number, leg numbers applied, skis marked
Saturday	0900-0945 Zero	
Saturday	1000 Individual Start AM	Men, Women, Junior Men, Junior Women, Youth Men, Youth Women *Senior Boys, Senior Girls TBA
Saturday	Awards for AM Categories presented when final results posted (approx. 1200)	Outside Club House
Saturday	1200 Setup for PM Competition	
Saturday	1230 Equipment check opens	rifles, skis, leg numbers
Saturday	1300-1345 Zero PM Individual Competition	Sport Men/Women, Master Men/Women, Dev. 1 & Junior/Dev2 Boys/Girls
Saturday	1400 Individual Start PM	
Saturday	Awards when final results are posted	Outside Club House
February 25, 2017		
Sprint Competition		
Sunday	0800 Office open in Pro Shop	Bib pick up by team representative
Sunday	0845 Equipment Check opens	rifles checked for trigger & number, leg numbers applied, skis marked
Sunday	0900 -0945 Zero	
Sunday	1000 Sprint Start by categories	Men, Women, Junior Men/Women, Youth Men/Women
Sunday	Awards for AM categories presented when final results posted (approx. 1230)	Outside Club House
Sunday	1230 Set-up for PM competition	
Sunday	1230 Equipment check opens	rifles, skis, leg numbers
Sunday	1245-1330 Zero PM Classes Sprint	
Sunday	1345 Start PM Classes	*Senior Boys/Girls, Masters Men/Women, Sport Men/Women, , Dev. 1 & Junior/Dev 2 Boys/Girls,
Sunday	Awards when final results are posted	Outside Club House

***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.

If snow conditions are limited, the range will be closed on Friday afternoon and there will be NO unofficial training.

Rifles must be in a case while in the parking lot or on the back of the athlete via a carry harness.

Ski Distances & Shooting Sequences for NorAm Cup and Calforex Cup

IBU CLASSES	AGE	Individual	Individual Sequence	Sprint	Sprint Sequence
Men	21+	20 km	PSPS	10 km	PS
Women	21+	15 km	PSPS	7.5 km	PS
Junior Men	19-20	15 km	PSPS	10 km	PS
Junior Women	19-20	12.5 km	PSPS	7.5 km	PS
Youth Men	17-18	12.5 km	PSPS	7.5 km	PS
Youth Women	17-18	10 km	PSPS	6 km	PS
<u>Calforex Classes Alberta</u>	AGE	Individual	Individual Sequence	Sprint	Sprint sequence
Master Men	35+	10 km	PSPS	6 km	PS
Master Women	35+	7.5 km	PSPS	6 km	PS
Sport Men	17+	10 km	PSPS	6 km	PS
Sport Women	17+	7.5 km	PSPS	6 km	PS
Senior Boys	Under 17	7.5 km	PSPS	6 km	PS
Senior Girls	Under 17	7.5 km	PSPS	6 km	PS
DEV-2 Male/Female	Under 17	6.25 km	PPPP	3.75 km	PP
DEV-1 Male/Female	Under 15	5 km	PPP	3 km	PP

Masters wishing to qualify for the National Championship must register in Masters Men/Women 35+

Ski Distances & Shooting Sequences for Western Championships

IBU CLASSES	AGE	Individual	Individual Sequence	Sprint	Sprint Sequence
Men	21+	20 km	PSPS	10 km	PS
Women	21+	15 km	PSPS	7.5 km	PS
Junior Men	19-20	15 km	PSPS	10 km	PS
Junior Women	19-20	12.5 km	PSPS	7.5 km	PS
Youth Men	17-18	12.5 km	PSPS	7.5 km	PS
Youth Women	17-18	10 km	PSPS	6 km	PS
Master Men 35+, 50+	35+, 50+	10 km	PSPS	6 km	PS
Master Women 35+, 50+	35+, 50+	7.5 km	PSPS	6 km	PS
Senior Boys	Under 17	7.5 km	PSPS	6 km	PS
Senior Girls	Under 17	7.5 km	PSPS	6 km	PS
Junior Boys/Girls	14 and under	6.25 km	PPPP	3.75 km	PP

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RIFLE CARRYING:

- Senior Boys and Girls categories will carry their rifles only on the range (see non-carry procedure in Annex A-3 of the Canadian Hosting Policy <http://biathloncanada.ca/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/Canadian-Hosting-Policy-2017-18.pdf>) and will shoot in the prone and standing positions.
- Masters and Sport Men/Women must indicate to the OC if they are NOT carrying and using the non-carry procedure
- Junior Boy/Girl, Dev. 1 and 2 categories will have their rifles placed on the mat by their coaches and will shoot only in the prone position.

Required Loops by Competition Type

Comp	4km	3.3km	3km	2.5km	2km	1.5km	1.25km	1km	750m	500m
Sprint		✓		✓	✓		✓	✓		
Individual		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
Colour	Brown	Blue	Yellow	Green	Red	Orange	Pink	Black	Purple	

For the Individual Competition, Men will do the 2.5km and 3.3 km loops before the first shooting followed by 4 3.3 km loops.

AWARDS:

Awards will be presented outside the club house final results are posted.

Medals for both competitions and NA cup points will be awarded regardless of the number of participants in a class.

Veli Niinimaa Awards will be presented during the medal presentations after each competition day for those having clean bouts of shooting. All competitors are eligible for shooting awards.

NorAm Cup and Calforex Cup winners will be awarded points to count towards the overall total of each Cup for eligible categories.

Medal Categories

This event combines the Western Canadian Championships, NorAm 7/Calforex Cup 6.

NorAm medals will be awarded for the IBU Categories. Western and Calforex medals will awarded in the other categories.

Both the Individual and Sprint competitions will award medals for both championships. Please

be aware of the following:

Western Canadian Championship categories include all categories listed on Western Championship table. As per the Canadian Hosting Policy 2017 -2018 Section 6.2.1, "Championship Medals will be awarded to the top three places, provided that there are four or more athletes entered in the Class. Provided there are three athletes entered in the Class, two Championship Medals will be presented. Provided that there are two athletes entered in the Class, one Championship Medal will be presented. No Championship Medals will be awarded unless there are at least 2 entries in the Class." <http://biathloncanada.ca/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/Canadian-Hosting-Policy-2017-18.pdf>

Calforex categories include all categories listed in the Noram/Calforex table above table. Athletes in these categories will also receive Calforex Cup points as per Calforex Cup policy.

Red Deer Golf & Recreation Area:

There is food service at the Club House with hot and cold food for purchase. Pack a lunch or use the food service at the centre.

There are indoor toilets in the Club House.

PARKING:

Please park only in designated areas. Parking will be at a premium during this event and car-pooling is recommended.

ACCOMMODATIONS:

Red Deer offers a wide variety of hotels, condos, suites, vacation rentals and B&Bs.

Visit <http://visitreddeer.com/> to see the local hotels and amenities available.

Holiday Inn Express Red Deer - North

[6433 Orr Dr, Red Deer, AB](#)

[1-587-457-7829](#) - Phone to Book

[Biathlon Alberta](#) - Book Direct

Holiday Inn & Suites Red Deer - Gasoline Ally

[33 Petrolia Dr, Red Deer, AB T4E 1B3](#)

[1-403-348-8485](#) - Phone to Book

[Biathlon Alberta](#) - Book Direct

Holiday Inn Express Red Deer - Gaetz

2803 50th, Red Deer, AB

[1-403-343-2112](#) - Phone to Book

[Biathlon Alberta](#) - Book Direct

Directions: From Highway 2, head east on Highway 11 (67 Street). At the traffic circle east of the river, go $\frac{3}{4}$ of the way around. Head north on 30th Avenue for 3km. River Bend is on the left.

LOCATION:

<https://www.google.ca/maps/place/River+Bend+Golf+%26+Recreation+Area/@52.2927047,->

[113.8459067,13z/data=!4m8!1m2!2m1!1sred+deer+golf+and+recreation+area!3m4!1s0x53745577244a7425:0xe65579d04f5228bd!8m2!3d52.3201677!4d-113.7826317](https://www.google.ca/maps/place/River+Bend+Golf+%26+Recreation+Area/@52.2927047,-113.8459067,13z/data=!4m8!1m2!2m1!1sred+deer+golf+and+recreation+area!3m4!1s0x53745577244a7425:0xe65579d04f5228bd!8m2!3d52.3201677!4d-113.7826317)

Calgary International Airport is 146 Km from the Riverbend Golf and Recreation Area. 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

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