

# What is the Canadian Birkebeiner Society?



**Gliding into the Future.**  
**February 7-9, 2025**

- Since 1985 a registered Non-Profit with the mission:
  1. To promote cross -country skiing participation in a fun and friendly atmosphere for all ages.
  2. To promote a healthy lifestyle by increasing public awareness of the benefits of cross-country skiing as winter activity.
  3. To organize the **Canadian Birkie** following the tradition of the parent Birkebeiner event in Norway
  4. Undertake other events related to the benefits of recreational sporting in community health and wellness.



# Biking Like a Viking

















**BIKEN BENDER**

SEPT. 14, 2024 →  
Sept. 13, 2025

TRY A NEW BIRKIE EXPERIENCE  
Blackfoot Lake Staging Area, Cooking Lake  
- Blackfoot Recreation Area

**Canadian birkie**  
CanadianBirkie.com

#CdnBirkie #Bikenbender #BikingLikeAViking

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500 volunteers



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Clothing  
 Logistics Volunteer  
 Announcer  
 Marketing Merchandise Kids Area Human  
 Station serving Equipment  
 Stirling Crew Resources Tent Ski  
 Awards  
**Volunteers**  
 Stadium Start Planner Festival  
 Trailblazers Food Pot Finish Director  
 organisers Line  
 Patrols Coordinator  
 Sweep Transportation

# Volunteers from community service groups!



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Edmonton Bicycle and Touring Club

Waskahegan Trail Association

Fast Trax Ski

Alberta Trail Riders Association

Canadian RiverValley Revenge

Survivorfest

Canadian Progress Club

Edmonton Overlanders Orienteering Club







# BarneBirkie Family Ski

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- Classic XC Ski Event focused on children and their families
- A five-year friendship with Silver Skate Festival
- Fully run by volunteers with volunteer partners like ENSC
- Each year over 150 children participate



**Photo by Frank Gasparik**



# Festival Place, Sherwood Park

Special  
Guests

Entertainment



# Full Moon Birkie

December 14, January 11, February 14

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## CANADIAN BIRKEBEINER SOCIETY PROVIDES

- **Experienced Event Coordinator**
- **40+ years of logistical expertise**
  - **local vendors and facilities**
- **Emergency and Disaster Response Plans**
  - **Alberta Paramedical Services**
- **experienced bicycle marshals from the EBTC, first aid cyclists Canadian Ski Patrol, motorcycle support**
  - **SAG support**
- **Route set up and signage placement and removal (day before and day after)**
  - **Third party highway crossing support**
- **All required permits and approvals from Counties, RC**

## ASKS

- **Facilities**
- **RCMP support**
- **Strathcona Transit**
- **Strathcona Emergency Response**
- **Continued partnership with Strathcona Wilderness Centre**
- **Future possibilities: partnership in snow making equipment (SWC, Alberta Forestry, Canadian Birkebeiner)**

## OUR COMMITMENTS

- **Safety of participants and volunteers**
  - **Emergency Response Plan**
  - **Disaster Response Plan**
- **Minimal disruption to County Residents**
  - **Communication to authorities**
- **Health and well-being of our participants**





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Thank you!

Please feel free to join us as a Skier,  
Volunteer, Partner or Sponsor!

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