



# AMERICAN BIRKEBEINER

NORTH AMERICA'S LARGEST CROSS COUNTRY SKI MARATHON

## Schedule of Events

### Mass Excitement Typifies Birkie Week

Races, events, seminars, ski equipment expo, ski demos, food, music, reunions, and a whole lot more...that's what Birkie week is all about. Check below to discover what's going on when.

### Late Registration

Kudos to you for realizing you really do want to ski the race of all races! Latecomers are welcome to register on Thursday, Feb. 23 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and on Friday, Feb. 24 from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

### Bib Pickup, Feb. 23-25

Bib pick up for the 2006 American Birkebeiner, Kortelopet and Prince Haakon 12K is Thursday, February 23, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Friday, February 24th, 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. There is bib pick up only at the START AREA on Saturday morning from 6:30 a.m. until 9 a.m.

### 2006 Subaru American Birkebeiner

The 51K 2006 Subaru American Birkebeiner starts on Saturday, February 25th at 8:20 a.m. with a planned Finish on Hayward's Main Street. The elite men will start at 8:20 a.m., elite women at 8:22, wave one Birkebeiner and Kortelopet at 8:30, wave two Birkebeiner and Kortelopet at 8:40 and each wave every ten minutes after that. Registration is available on line or by downloading the registration form, both accessible on this web site. You may also contact the Birkie office for registration information. Phone 715-634-5025 or email [birkie@birkie.com](mailto:birkie@birkie.com).

### 2006 Kortelopet sponsored by the State Bank of Drummond and Cable Chamber of Commerce

The 23K 2006 Cable Chamber of Commerce/State Bank of Drummond Kortelopet race starts in waves along with the Birkie skiers on Saturday, February 25th, at 8:30 a.m. At the 9K point, the Kortelopet will enter its own trail and ski to a finish line at Telemark Resort. Registration is available on line or by downloading the registration form, both accessible on this web site. You may also contact the Birkie office for registration information.

### 2006 Johnson Bank Prince Haakon 12K

The second annual Johnson Bank Prince Haakon 12K, a non-competitive event, begins at approximately 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, February 25th. The event starts at Mosquito Brook Rd. just north of the Birkie trail and ends on Main Street, Hayward. Participants will



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be worked in to the main Birkebeiner race course at intervals to avoid congestion. Registrants must be at least 13 years of age by race day. Finisher pins will be awarded to participants who complete the race. No other awards will be given. Registration is available on line or by downloading the form on this web site. For additional information, contact the Birkebeiner office at 715-634-5025 or email [birkie@birkie.com](mailto:birkie@birkie.com).

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### Sons of Norway/Swiss Miss Barnebirkie

The Sons of Norway/Swiss Miss Barnebirkie will be held on Thursday, February 23rd, at 1:00 p.m. Over 1,000 children ages 3 to 13 will participate in a ski event. The event will be 1K, 2.5K or 5K in length and will start at the Hayward Golf and Tennis Club and finish on Hayward's Main Street. Contact the Birkie office for registration information at 715-634-5025 or visit the Registration section of this web site for a downloadable form.

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### Salomon Elite Sprints

The Salomon Elite Sprints will be held Thursday, February 23rd on Hayward's Main Street at 3:30 p.m. Top male and female elite skiers race head to head to be named the "Elite winners"!

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### Welcoming Ceremonies

Friday, February 24th, at Telemark Resort. Time to be determined.

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### Children's Snowshoe Nature Hike

Friday, February 24th, 9:00 a.m. at the Cable Natural History Museum. Limited number of snowshoes available or bring your own. The Museum is in a temporary location at the corner of Kavanaugh and Spruce Streets in Cable (the old Telephone Company building). Contact the Museum at 715-798-3890 for more information.

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### CenturyTel Junior Birkie

The 7th Annual CenturyTel Junior Birkie will be held on Friday, February 24th, at 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. at Telemark Resort in Cable. You may register for the even by going to the Junior Birkie under Registration on this site or registration and bib pick up will take place in the tent at the stadium area behind the resort.

Youth skiers ages 10-12 and 13-15 can participate in the **3.5 kilometer Free Technique (skate or stride) Individual Race**. Each participant receives a medal and age class prizes will be awarded. Registration is \$5 and can be made by downloading the registration form or filling out the application in the Pre-Race Issue of the Birch Scroll. **This event also incorporates the CXC J3 and J4 Championships for those athletes who are CXC members.** For CXC membership and information go to [www.cxcskiing.org](http://www.cxcskiing.org).

The **Third Annual 3 by 3km High School Mass Start Relay** follows the conclusion of the 10-15 year old interval race. Team members must ski on the same High School team and be in grades 9-12. The event is limited to 75 teams. Team members should send in 3 applications in one envelope or register together on race morning. Registration is \$5 per skier and can be made by filling out the form located in the Pre-Race Issue of the Birch Scroll or by downloading the registration form under Junior Birkie in the Registration section of this web site.

New for this season is the **CXC Central High School Championships**. The top athletes



in their respective State Championships from Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, Illinois and Ohio will be invited to race head to head. The Pursuit event will begin with a 3 km mass start free technique race, change to classic skis and poles in the stadium transition area and finish with a 3 km classic race. First across the line claims the title of CXC Central High School Champion!

#### **Race Day Schedule for the Events:**

##### **Interval day of registration and bib pick up 8 a.m.-9 a.m.**

Start 9a.m.

##### **Relay day of registration and bib pickup 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.**

Start Girls 11 a.m., Boys 11:30 a.m.

##### **Pursuit bib pick up 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.**

Start Girls 12 noon, Boys 12:30 p.m.

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### **Cheqtel 10K Family Fun Ski**

The Cheqtel 10K is a fun race/tour held on Friday, February 24th, 2:00 p.m. The race is meant for entertainment for the entire family. The event starts and finishes at the Telemark Resort in Cable. Registration is \$10/person or \$25/family of 4 (price race week is \$12/person or \$30/family of 4) and can be made by downloading the form at the CheqTel 10K under Registration on this site or through the Birkie office. Race day registration is from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Telemark Resort.

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### **Hayward Chamber of Commerce Citizen Sprints**

The Hayward Chamber of Commerce Citizen Sprints will be held on Hayward's Main Street on Friday, February 24th at 3:00 p.m. Contact the Hayward Area Chamber of Commerce office at 715-634-8662 for more information.

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### **Winter Sports Ski Demos & Expo**

Test out the newest in sports equipment from skis, rollerskis, snowboards to snowshoes. Pick up tips from the experts, grab a few souvenirs to take home and visit the Birkie Enterprise booth for special 2005 logo items. The two-day Expo is held in conjunction with Race registration & bib pickup.

#### **Demos**

Equipment Demo Schedule at Telemark Resort in Cable, WI.

Thursday, February 23rd: 10am - 4pm

Friday, February 24th: 10am - 4 pm

#### **Expo**

Expo Schedule at Telemark Resort in Cable, WI

Thursday, February 23rd: 9am - 9pm

Friday, February 24th: 9am - 10pm

#### **Seminars**

Information regarding Seminars will be available in the Fall.

## Take the challenge, ski the adventure!

Pick YOUR Birkie event and register today. Click here to find out how:

[www.birkie.com/registration](http://www.birkie.com/registration)

### Questions?

Call 715-634-5025, email [birkie@birkie.com](mailto:birkie@birkie.com) or write to us at PO Box 911, Hayward, WI, 54843. We're eager to hear from you!

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