



**Biathlon Alberta**

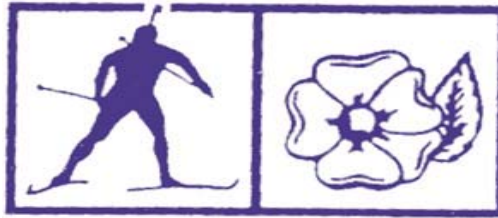
# INVITATION

**North American Championships**  
(IBU classes only)

**United States National Championships**

**March 30 - April 3, 2005**  
**Canmore, Alberta, Canada**





**Biathlon Alberta**

**Dear Biathlon Friends:**

Biathlon Alberta and all its provincial biathlon club volunteers welcome you to our event at the Canmore Nordic Center (CNC). The organizing committee is working hard to make sure you have a positive experience and a successful competition. This is an exciting event for our province during the centennial year. We are especially honored to host the US senior nationals this year as well as the North American Championships. We look forward to hosting competitors from across North America and wish all of you a successful season leading up to this important final event of the 2004-2005 North American Circuit.

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**Organizing committee**

Chairman:	Carol Henley
Competition Chief	Charlie Pacas
Competition Secretaries	Nancy Andrews & Marion Krause
Chief of Timing	Max Cobb
Deputy Chief of Timing	Phillip Mudry
Chief of Course	Rick Andrews
Deputy Chief of Course	Jim Murphy
Chief of Stadium	Noel Charchuk
Chief of Range	Rick Green
Deputy Chief of Range	Colleen Vukadinovic
Volunteer Coordinators	Nancy Andrews & Patsy Murphy
Organization Secretary	Amanda Turvey

**IBU Technical Delegate**

Bruno St-Onge

**IBU International referees**

Arthur Stegen  
Bernard Voyer  
Paul Dorotich

**Competition Rules**

The IBU Event and Competition Rules will be in effect for the event, except as specifically modified by the North American Hosting Policies.

**Eligibility**

All members of Biathlon Canada Divisions and the United States Biathlon Association, with a 2004-2005 competitor membership card, are eligible to participate in the classes as authorized by the IBU rules and Canadian/North American Hosting Policies. Other nationalities may participate but are not eligible for North American Championship medals.

**Classes of Competitors and Types of Competitions**

Class	Thursday		Saturday		Sunday	
	SPRINT		PURSUIT		MASS START	
Men 21+	10 KM	PS	12.5 km	PPSS	15 km	PPSS
Women 21+	7.5 km	PS	10 km	PPSS	12.5 km	PPSS
Junior Men 19 -20	10 km	PS	12.5 km	PPSS	12.5 km	PPSS
Junior Women 19 - 20	7.5 km	PS	10 km	PPSS	10 km	PPSS
Youth Men 17 - 18	7.5 km	PS	10 km	PPSS	10 km	PPSS
Youth Women 17 - 18	6 km	PS	7.5 km	PPSS	7.5 km	PPSS

Note: Medals for IBU categories for North American Championship will be awarded if the category has four or more athletes. US National medals will be awarded to US competitors.

## Event program

<b>Monday, March 28</b>		<b>Arrivals</b> <b>Unofficial training</b> - purchase trail passes from CNC office range available for use but must be booked by teams through CNC office. (Fees for trail passes see schedule of fees later in this document.)
<b>Tuesday, March 29</b>	1200-1500  1930	<b>Arrivals</b> <b>Competition Office</b> open at the biathlon building <b>Unofficial training</b> - passes from CNC office. Range available for use but must be booked by teams through CNC office. (Fees for trail passes see schedule of fees later in this document). <b>1st team captains</b> meeting Bill Warren Training Center Selection of Jury, Selection of Jury of Appeal, course information, zero assignments
<b>Wednesday, March 30</b>	0800 - 1700 0900 - 1400  1600	<b>Competition Office</b> open at the biathlon building <b>Official training</b> - trail passes available from Biathlon building after competition fees are paid. <b>Team Captains</b> meeting at Bill Warren Training Center Draw for Sprint, bibs, start lists, zero assignments.
<b>Thursday, March 31</b>	0800 - 1700 0900 - 0945 1000 2000	<b>Competition Office</b> open at the biathlon building <b>Zeroing</b> - All Classes <b>Sprint Competitions</b> – All Classes Coaches reception within Canmore, location TBA
<b>Friday, April 1</b>	0800 - 1700 0900 - 1400 1600	<b>Competition Office</b> open at the biathlon building <b>Official training</b> <b>Team captains meeting</b> on pursuit and mass start Bill Warren Training Center
<b>Saturday, April 2</b>	0800 - 1700 0900 - 0945 1000 1800	<b>Competition Office</b> open at the biathlon building <b>Zeroing</b> - All Classes <b>Pursuit Competitions</b> – All Classes Banquet at Bill Warren Training Center. Presentation of medals and awards for Sprint and Pursuit from North American Championship Presentation of medals for US nationals
<b>Sunday, April 3</b>	0900 -0945 1000 1400	<b>Zeroing</b> - All Classes <b>Mass Start Competitions</b> – All Classes Medals after finish in the Bill Warren Training Center (Time may change with needs of the teams).

## Questions

Any questions pertaining to this event should be directed to Carol Henley at [henleyfa@nucleus.com](mailto:henleyfa@nucleus.com) or Amanda Turvey at Biathlon Alberta [info@biathlon.ca](mailto:info@biathlon.ca) or by phone at 403-297-2719

**Note:** Due to the time of year and the weather, changes may be made to start times and courses. Information will be posted on the bulletin board by the biathlon building and at the team captains meetings. Please notify Amanda at [info@biathlon.ca](mailto:info@biathlon.ca) with your location in Canmore and a phone number where you can be reached if last minute changes occur.

## Entries

Entries must be submitted by using the attached forms and sent to: [info@biathlon.ca](mailto:info@biathlon.ca)

## Deadlines

- **February 28**, team registration with number in each class plus number of staff (indicate banquet ticket numbers).
- **March 16**, registration by Name of competitors.

Payment will be required in Canadian currency by check or cash on site by the team leader between March 28<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> **OR** by mail to:

Biathlon Alberta 818 16 Ave. N.W.  
Calgary, Alberta Canada T2M 0K1

## FEE SCHEDULE

**The following fee schedule (in \$CAD) will apply** for the 2005 North American Championship and US Nationals (make checks payable to Biathlon Alberta)

Banquet ticket	\$ 25	
Two competitions plus banquet	\$ 85	Includes trail pass for April 1- April 3, Competition fee for Saturday and Sunday Banquet ticket for Saturday night
Three competitions plus Banquet	\$ 125	Includes trail pass for March 10- April 3 Competition fee for Thursday, Saturday & Sunday Banquet ticket for Saturday night

## AWARDS

North American Championships (NACH) medals will be awarded at the NACH. Plaques will be awarded to the overall winners of the NAC series in all IBU classes.

## PRIZE MONEY (for NACH)

For EACH competition at the NACH (Sprint, Pursuit, Mass Start) medal winners of the IBU classes will receive the following prize money:

**Gold - \$100.00 CAD Silver - \$75.00 CAD Bronze - \$50.00 CAD**

## NORTH AMERICAN TROPHY OVERALL WINNER PRIZE MONEY

Will be determined by combining NAC points from the three competitions of the NACH. The first ranked in all IBU classes will receive the following prize money:

Men/Women - \$500.00 CAD

Junior Men/Women - \$300.00 CAD

Youth men/women - \$200.00 CAD

In the event of a tie, the top two scores will be used as a tiebreaker. If a tie persists the prize money will be shared between the winners.

**Rifles:**

All rifles will be cased when carrying from the vehicle to the range and the reverse. Uncased rifles will not be allowed in the parking lot at any time. The letter of invitation on the Biathlon Canada web page has the import information that is required to bring your rifle across the border. Make sure you have three copies of the paper work ready to be signed when you reach the border. Ammunition is not available in Canmore. Please make sure you have a sufficient supply of the type of ammunition you require for this event.

**Wax Rooms:**

There are a limited number of wax rooms at the Canmore Nordic Center. **The organizing committee will assign rooms** based on numbers of entrants and arrival date. Some teams will be required to share facilities. **A \$75 key deposit (per key)** will be required before receiving a key. The deposit will be returned when the key is returned at the end of the event.

**Trail Passes:**

Trail pass fees are for the days listed in the fee schedule. If you arrive before the listed event days, you must buy a daily trail pass from the Canmore Nordic Visitor Center before skiing on the trails. Your fees for the event include only the days listed and are the competitor's rate. When you pay your registration fee to the Biathlon Competition office you will receive a trail pass for the entire competition event.

Full price will be charged at the visitor center for the unofficial days. The organizing committee will issue no refunds for passes bought in error, lost, misplaced, damaged, or forgotten. **Trail passes must be visible when skiing, other than during the competition when the competition bib is worn.**

**General information:**

Courses and competitions may change due to snow conditions and final course selection will be according to the snow conditions. The CNC will continue to make snow to supplement the natural snow weather permitting.

Be advised that there is limited food available at the Canmore Nordic Center Bringing your own food and refreshments would be suggested. Our finish line will have bottled water & packaged juice Washrooms are provided near the wax huts. Showers are available at the CNC. Bring your own towel and shower supplies.

Range will be restricted access during the event. The tunnel will be used to the range and will be restricted to coaches, athletes and officials. Due to the possible warm weather walking on the trails or in the start/ finish area will be strictly limited.

**Travel information:**

Canmore is located 1 hour and 30 minutes from Calgary International Airport All major rental agencies are available from the airport. Shuttle bus service to downtown Calgary is available for a nominal fee Bus transportation via Greyhound is available to Canmore four times a day.

**Accommodations:**

The listed properties have been able to provide reduced rates for our event.  
When booking, please refer to the event name:

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To see pictures of the properties, e-mail addresses, reservation numbers and website information with all below listed properties. [www.tourismcanmore.com](http://www.tourismcanmore.com)

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

**The Drake Inn 1-800-461-8730** [www.drakeinn.com](http://www.drakeinn.com)

**Canadian Rockies Chalets - 1-800-386-7248** --1 & 2 bedroom units with kitchen.

[Www.canadianrockieschalets.com](http://Www.canadianrockieschalets.com) - \$74/night on weekends & Fridays & \$67/night mid week. (Tell them this is the price you were quoted when booking).

**Bear Country Lodge - 1-888-678-1008**

**Banff Boundary Lodge - 1-877-678-9555**

**Bow Valley Motel - 403-678-5085** (\$60 for 4 - plus \$5 for kitchen)

**Four Points Sheraton - 1-888-609-4422**

**Marriott Residence Inn 1-403-609-4727** ask for biathlon rates (breakfast included)

**Canmore Suites** ask for biathlon rates **1-877-609-9099** or **1-403-609-3999**

**Rundle Mountain Motel 1-403-678-5322**

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

**Best Western Green Gables Inn 1-403-678-5488** or **1-800-661-2133**

**Wind Tower Lodge & Suites 1-866-609-6600**

**Radisson Hotel & Conf. Center Canmore 1-800-333-3333**