

# INVITATION

## Odlum Brown BC Championships

February 24 to 26, 2023

**Caledonia Nordic Ski Club**  
8141 Otway Road  
Prince George, BC

**Sprint and Pursuit Competitions**

<https://zone4.ca/register.asp?id=30172>

*Registration closes **Feb 15, 2023***

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## WELCOME

On behalf of Biathlon British Columbia, the Biathlon Organizing Committee at the Caledonia Nordic Ski Club welcomes biathletes and support teams to the 2023 Biathlon BC Championships.

Building on the club's experience hosting the 2022 Canadian Biathlon Championships, we are excited to host you at our venue in Prince George, B.C. Prince George is situated at the confluence of the Nechako and Fraser Rivers, a geographic and cultural center in the heart of the traditional territory of the Lheidli T'enneh First Nation.

The Otway Nordic Centre, operated by the Caledonia Nordic Ski Club, lies on the south slope of the Nechako River about 5km upstream of the confluence. With its north-facing aspect, athletes can anticipate the February days to have cool mornings with the temperatures likely staying below 0C throughout the day.

While unofficial training begins on February 24th, you are welcome to come earlier and explore the 55km of trails under the lights or in the sunshine! Contact the rental office (250-564-3809) to make arrangements for ski passes and use of the range. To use the range prior to Friday, February 24th, you will be required to identify a PAL-carrying Range Safety Officer for your team and all people using the courses will be required to have a day pass.

The Organizing Committee is working hard to provide a terrific experience for the athletes and hopes all the BC Championship guests will feel welcome at Otway. We wish the best of luck to the athletes and look forward to meeting all of you in February 2023.

Happy trails,

John Neumann  
Competition Lead



## COMPETITION VENUE

The venue is at the Caledonia Nordic Ski Club (CNSC), Prince George, BC. The venue layout, course maps and stadium diagrams are available at the [CNSC Biathlon Competitions](#) website.

## COMPETITION COMMITTEE and CONTACT INFORMATION

Competition Lead:	John Neumann
Course Lead/ Deputy Course Lead:	Elisabeth Veecken / Alan Witwicki
Range Lead:	Aaron Sinclair
Stadium Lead:	Vernon Neil
Timing Lead / Deputy Timing Lead:	Pierre Beaudry / Agathe Bernard
Results:	Will Cadell / Mary Hawes
Competition Secretary:	Pat Caron
Volunteer Coordinator:	Ngan Neff / Kara Simons
Technical Delegate:	Paul Collard

Please direct any questions regarding this invitation to:

Competition Lead, John Neumann [biathloncompetitions@caledonianordic.com](mailto:biathloncompetitions@caledonianordic.com)  
Competition Secretary, Pat Caron [biathlonsecretary@caledonianordic.com](mailto:biathlonsecretary@caledonianordic.com).

The Competition Office and Volunteer check in are located in the huts between the parking lot and the range. Hours will be:

Friday, February 24 <sup>th</sup>	13:30 - 16:30
Saturday, February 25 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 - 17:00
Sunday, February 26 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 - 16:00

## REGISTRATION:

Register online at [Zone4](#) . Payment must be made by credit card. **Registration closes on Wednesday February 15, 2023 at 23:59pm (Pacific Time)** (please note – the closing date is mid-week).

**As per Biathlon BC Hosting Policy, no late entries will be allowed.** Coaches and other team support are asked to register at no cost.

The fee for both sanctioned competitions is \$80. Athletes are required to register for both competitions.

The fee for the Saturday afternoon U13 and recreation competition is \$35. Further information on the social event and ticket prices will be found on the [CNSC Biathlon Competitions](#) website and the Zone4 registration site.



**EVENT SCHEDULE**  
February 24-26, 2023

<b>DATE</b>	<b>COMPETITIONS</b>	<b>TRAINING/ ZEROING</b>	<b>MEETINGS / DRAWS</b>	<b>OTHER ACTIVITIES</b>
<b>Friday Feb 24</b>		<b>Unofficial Training</b> 14:00-16:00 <i>Lane assignments and times (paper/medal) to be posted at range and at Competition Office.</i>	<b>Team Captains Meeting And Draws</b> 18:00-19:00 Virtual – link to be provided	
<b>Saturday Feb 25</b>	<b>Sprint Competition</b> 11:00 Start  <b>Modified Super Sprint</b> 14:00 Start <i>U13/ Recreational Classes</i>	<b>Zeroing</b> 10:00-10:50  <b>Zeroing for U13 and Rec</b> 13:00-13:50	<b>Opening Ceremony</b> 10:51 Stadium	<b>Social and Medal Ceremony</b> 18:00 – 20:30 Location: TBD
<b>Sunday Feb 26</b>	<b>Pursuit Competition</b> 10:00 Start	<b>Zeroing</b> 09:00-09:50		<b>Medal Ceremony</b> in Stadium after all classes

**U13 AND RECREATIONAL CATEGORIES:**

Modified Super Sprint: For the **qualification** (single start), three loops to be skied with two shooting bouts (p, p). **Final** (mass start), five loops with four shooting bouts (p, p, p, p) have to be skied. Start positions for the final (mass start) will be based on results from the qualification (single start). For both qualification and final, one spare bullet may be used per shooting bout. The penalty loop is 100 m long.

**TRAIL PASSES:**

Trail passes for Friday, Saturday, and Sunday will be included for athletes and registered coaches. Please stop by competition office to pick up passes prior to accessing range for unofficial training on Friday Feb 24.

**ZEROING LANES:**

Zeroing lanes will be assigned by draw based on how many athletes each club has competing, with no priority to any team or club. Lanes will be posted at the range and on the [CNSC Biathlon Competitions](#) website.

**AWARDS/SOCIAL:**

The social event will be a banquet with tickets available at a cost \$25 each to athletes, coaches, support staff and families. See [CNSC Biathlon Competitions](#) website for further details. The medals from the first day of competition will be presented at the social Feb 25 and after the last competition Feb 26.



**MEDALS:** Biathlon BC - BC Cup medals will be awarded to all sanctioned classes of competition according to Section 6.2 of the Biathlon BC Hosting Policy.

**COMPETITION RULES:** The event is held in accordance to IBU Rules, and the [Biathlon BC Hosting Policy](#) (dated August 2022).

**CANCELLATION:** There are no refunds if a competitor does not show up for the competition. Zone4 processing fees will not be refunded for any reason. If a competitor withdraws at least one week prior to the event (by 23:59 on February 16th, 2023) they will be refunded less an administration fee of \$10 per competition.

If the event is cancelled one week ahead (before February 17, 2023) the registration fees will be refunded in full. If unforeseen circumstances cause cancellation closer to the event, the organizers may retain entry fees sufficient to ensure no loss against monies already spent.

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.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Any member of Biathlon BC, Biathlon Canada or IBU registered competitor, in good standing, may participate. Proof of membership will be requested when registering.

**DAY MEMBERSHIPS:** 1) Athletes who are not registered as a Biathlon Canada or IBU competitor will require a day membership for each day of a biathlon related activity.

2) Athletes competing on a day membership are ineligible for official BC Cup points and selection to Biathlon BC Teams, Squads and sponsored camps.

Please reference the [Biathlon BC website](#) if you plan on participating with a day membership.

**CADET PARTICIPATION AT BIATHLON BC COMPETITIONS:**

A cadet who participates in a cadet competition class, is “under orders”, and supervised by his/her cadet corps does not need a Biathlon BC membership. However, a cadet competing in a class other than the cadet class and wishing to be eligible for squad selection must purchase a Biathlon BC membership. Cadets participating in a recreational class must purchase a day membership if not a Biathlon BC member.



**RANGE RULES:** Teams are expected to be familiar with CNSC range rules, found on the [CNSC Biathlon Competitions](#) website.

**RIFLE IMPORT REGULATIONS:**

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 fee. Please refer to the government website at <http://www.cbsa-asfc.gc.ca/publications/dm-md/d19/d19-13-2-eng.html> for guidelines. To obtain a Non-Resident Firearm Application, please visit <http://www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/cfp-pcaf/fs-fd/visit-visite-eng.htm>.

**UNOFFICIAL TRAINING:** Please visit [CNSC Biathlon Competitions](#) website for the most up-to-date information on unofficial training procedures and requirements.

**LODGE ACCESS:** Caledonia Nordic Ski Club has a lodge with washrooms and space to warm up. There are no food vendors or cafeteria onsite. Please plan to pack a lunch.

The lodge will be shared with other programs on Saturday, February 25. Please plan to store gear in vehicles as much as possible.

Rifles are permitted in the lodge as long as they are cased and secured with a trigger lock and supervised by someone with a valid firearms license. They cannot be left unattended.

**WAXING:** Due to very limited indoor waxing space, teams should be prepared to wax outdoors. Outdoor power outlets will be available for waxing; please bring your own tent if desired.

**WAX POLICY:** Per [Biathlon BC's wax policy](#) (May 2022) all fluorinated wax products are prohibited for use to prepare skis for competition. This includes Pure Fluoro, High Fluoro (UHF and HF), Medium Fluoro (MF), Low Fluoro (LF), and similarly fluorinated glide waxes, powders, pucks, blocks, liquids and other applications.

**COMMUNICATION:** The Organizing Committee has set up a WhatsApp Channel to assist with critical communications during the event. A link will be provided to all that wish to use it at a later date, upon registration.

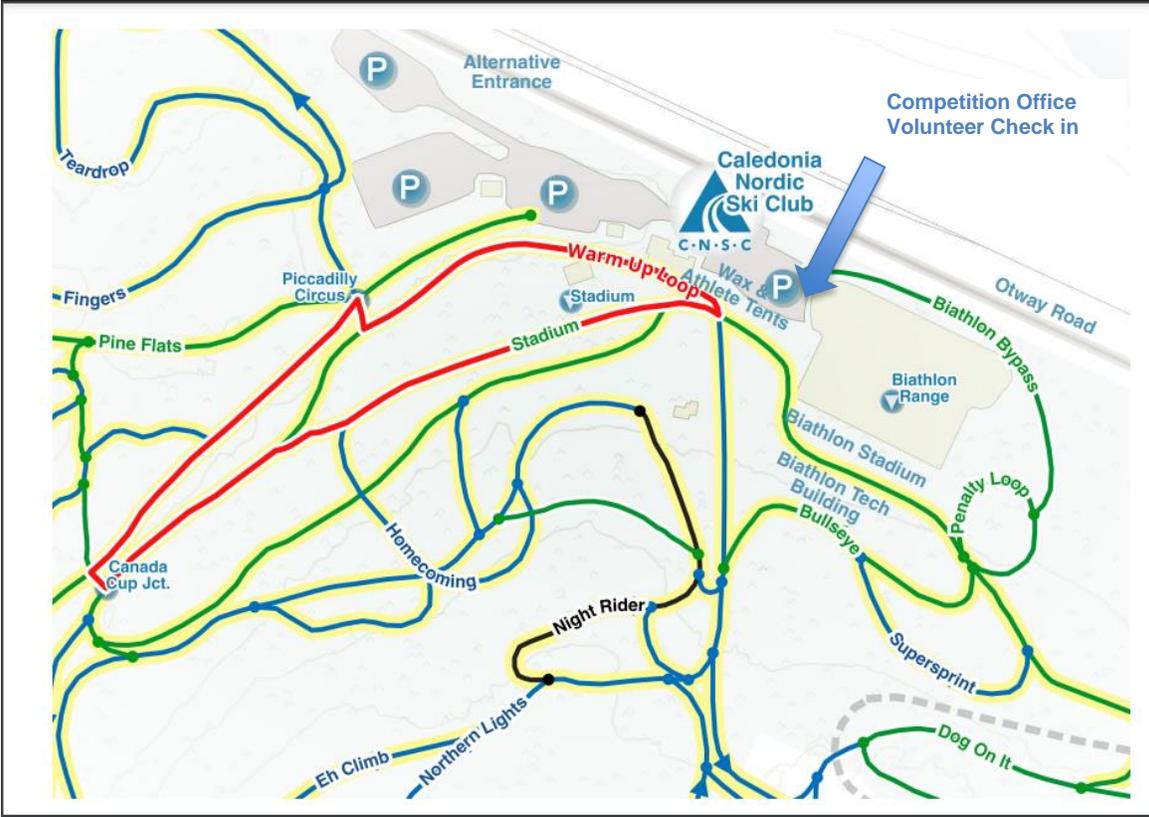
You can download the app from [WhatsApp Download](#).

**VOLUNTEERS:** Please let us know if you are available to help by registering as a volunteer [here](#). Registered volunteers will receive a trail pass and lunch on days they are available



**DIRECTIONS:** Click on this [link](#) for Google Maps directions to CNSC

**VENUE MAP:**



**PRINCE GEORGE ACCOMMODATIONS**

Prince George has a wide variety of accommodation choices. Please see below for two options, or see Tourism Prince George’s website [here](#) for more information.

**Pomeroy Inn and Suites Prince George:** 20 rooms have been set aside at a group rate until **February 9** (double queen \$169/night and double queen kitchenettes \$179/night). Please use code **10114-1** to reserve online or call to reserve. <https://pomeroyinnandsuites.com/prince-george/>

**Gramas Inn:** motel style option with kitchenettes <https://www.gramasinn.com/>



## CLASSES OF COMPETITION

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Penalty loop distances: 150m for IBU categories (Men/Women, JR Men/Women, Youth Men/Women); 100M for non IBU categories (Sport M/W, Masters, Sr Boy/Girl, Jr Boy/Girl)

CATEGORY	AGE	Distance for Sprint	Sprint Course	Distance for Pursuit	Pursuit Course
Men	22 +	10.0 km	3 X 3.3 km PS (Blue)	12.5 km	5 X 2.5 km PPSS (Green)
Women	22 +	7.5 km	3 X 2.5 km PS (Green)	10.0 km	5 X 2.0 km PPSS (Red)
Junior Men	19-21	10.0 km	3 X 3.3 km PS (Blue)	12.5 km	5X 2.5 km PPSS (Green)
Junior Women	19-21	7.5 km	3 X 2.5 km PS (Green)	10.0 km	5 X 2.0 km PPSS (Red)
Sport Men	17 +	6.0 km	3 X 2.0 km PS (Red)	7.5 km	5 X 1.5 km PPSS (Orange)
Sport Women	17 +	6.0 km	3 X 2.0 km PS (Red)	7.5 km	5 X 1.5 km PPSS (Orange)
Youth Men	16-18	7.5 km	3 X 2.5 km PS (Green)	10.0 km	5X 2.0 km PPSS (Red)
Youth Women	16-18	6.0 km	3 X 2.0 km PS (Red)	7.5 km	5 X 1.5 km PPSS (Orange)
Masters 50+ Men	50 +	6.0 km	3 X 2.0 km PS (Red)	7.5 km	5 X 1.5 km PPSS (Orange)
Masters 50+ Women	50 +	6.0 km	3 X 2.0 km PS (Red)	7.5 km	5 X 1.5 km PPSS (Orange)
Masters 35+ Men	35+	6.0 km	3 X 2.0 km PS (Red)	7.5 km	5 X 1.5 km PPSS (Orange)
Masters 35+ Women	35+	6.0 km	3 X 2.0 km PS (Red)	7.5 km	5 X 1.5 km PPSS (Orange)
Senior Boys	15-16	6.0 km	3 X 2.0 km PS (Red)	7.5 km	5 X 1.5 km PPSS (Orange)
Senior Girls	15-16	6.0 km	3 X 2.0 km PS (Red)	7.5 km	5 X 1.5 km PPSS (Orange)
Junior Boys	13-14	4.5 km	3 X 1.5 km PP (Orange)	5.0 km	2 X 1.5 km (Orange) 2 X 1.0 km (Black) PPP
Junior Girls	13-14	4.5 km	3 X 1.5 km PP (Orange)	5.0 km	2 X 1.5 km (Orange) 2 X 1.0 km (Black) PPP
U13 / Recreational	<13; Open	<b>Super Sprint Qualifier</b>	3 x 0.35 km PP (Ramp Loop)	<b>Super Sprint Mass Start</b>	5 x 0.35 km PPPP (Ramp Loop)

