



Whaleback Nordic Ski Club

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Hello again...February month is winding down. Raining with +7 degrees outside. This winter is far from over. The long hungry month of March lies ahead!

9th Whaleback Memorial Loppet

Conditions Saturday were ideal for the Loppet. The one thing that excited me was the turnout...there were skiers from Pasadena Nature and Ski Park, Blow Me Down and Exploits Valley. As well, I was very pleased with the turnout of Whalebackers. I saw several members present who may not have skied in this event previously. Great stuff!

Full marks to volunteers who contributed...great trails, kitchen, donated food, officials, stadium set up, registration and bib distribution, PR, photos, trail signs, and washing soiled bibs.

Results and photos posted on our website.

It was a very satisfying day.

Another note from High Park - Whaleback Members... pat yourselves on the back!

Just wanted to relate, how pleased those of us who visited from the High Park Ski Club were with our two days of using your facilities. Your members, the trails and of course the food were a definite highlight of our week in Newfoundland. It didn't hurt either that the weather co-operated.

High Park Ski Club is a traveling club. Other than some office space we don't have our own facilities and consequently have seen a lot of other clubs/resorts. In my personal opinion and echoing others vocalizations, without question, your club has amongst the best trails for layout, including signage, grooming and level of difficulty that we have skied. You have every right to be proud of your accomplishment of getting your facility to the level you have achieved. Keep up the fantastic work.

Very much appreciated, thanks.

Mike Jeffries

Outfitters. 47th Marathon. Saturday March 4th

I'm convinced the excitement and enthusiasm experienced yesterday from our membership can be repeated again next Saturday. Not too late to register...similar distances as for the Loppet...1.0km, 2.5km, 7.5km, 13.0km, 20.0km and 40.0km.

42 skiers have registered thus far...16 Whalebackers and 26 from elsewhere...complimentary T- Shirt for first 60 registrants... don't be the person in our club not sporting a Marathon T- Shirt! Remember...it's a tour (first) that some skiers decide to race (second). Event starts at 11:00AM.

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Banquet and Awards ceremony at 6:00PM at Royal Canadian Legion.

Register on line at www.whalebacknordic.com And, there are registration forms at the chalet.

If you have already registered and want an additional banquet ticket, put your name on the list at the chalet and pay the chalet attendant. And, if you don't plan to ski in the marathon, but would like to attend the banquet, you can get a ticket(s) by putting your name on the list at the chalet, as well.

Lets encourage our friends and members to participate. The Outfitters, Marble RV, OK Tire, EMERA, Byrnes Shoes, Mills Law Firm, Power Sports and Recreation, Table Top Chiropractors, Colemans, Atlantic Minerals and Bay St. George Ready-Mix made a commitment to make this event a success...not forgetting our club members who are organizing the event for YOU.

March Special

Each year we offer the March Special membership. If a membership is purchased at the regular rate in March, the member(s) can ski or snowshoe for the remainder of this season and have full membership for next year, also. Not a bad deal!!

We ask our current members to bring the March Special to the attention of their family and friends. I have already spoken to one family about this. They are joining next week!

Chalet lockers

If you rent a locker for the remainder of this year for half price (\$20), the locker will be reserved for you for next year if you choose to rent it. Lockers are a great way to preserve your skis and poles that often are nicked and chipped when being regularly transported in your vehicle. The locker list is on the chalet attendant's desk.

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