

Hello Whalebackers!!

It's time to register for the new ski season. Registration begins today Wednesday, December 5th on Zone4 and tomorrow Thursday, Dec. 6th at Debbie's Video. **If you want to avail of the Early Bird discount, you must be registered by midnight December 23rd.**

If you purchased a March Special membership during March 2018, you do not need to re-register.

If you purchase a membership as a Christmas gift, you can get a Whaleback gift certificate at Debbie's Video. You can also purchase Christmas Gift certificates for trail passes and pass + ski rental combination.

There are 2 methods for registration: online through Zone4 or completion of a paper membership form. **The online registration is recommended because it reduces paperwork and if you pay by credit card, it reduces the amount of cheques and cash we have to handle.** However, you can register online and still pay by cheque or cash. Please make your cheque payable to Whaleback Nordic Ski Club.

Here's the link to our Zone4 online registration:  
<https://zone4.ca/register.asp?id=19743>

The online registration will appear much the same as last year. In addition to the usual registration information such as name, address and telephone number, you will be asked the following:

- Your date of birth: this is needed for calculation of Cross Country Canada and Cross Country Newfoundland and Labrador fees.
- Your email address so we can communicate with you quickly and easily.

Please note the following:

- You will see a section for CCC/CCNL fees. These fees are included in your club membership. This is stated in the CCC/CCNL section. You do not have to pay the fee separately.
- This year HST is not included in the membership fee. HST will be added to your membership fee.

1. Register online and pay by credit card:

When you register online and pay by credit card you will receive an email confirmation/receipt within a few minutes of registration. You are finished the registration process. You do not need to print the confirmation/receipt and bring it to Debbie's Video or to the chalet. You will get your membership card at the chalet after Christmas. In addition to the email confirmation/receipt you will receive an

email regarding Cross Country Canada membership with a link to the CCC site which allows you to print a CCC membership card. You do not need to print this card.

2. Register online and pay by cheque or cash:

You will receive an email confirmation/receipt within minutes of registration. You need to print the confirmation/receipt and bring it to Debbie's Vide within 48 hours, but no later than December 23<sup>rd</sup> for payment. It will be greatly appreciated if you pay by **cheque** rather than by cash. If you do pay with cash, please have the exact amount for Debbie. Debbie will issue a receipt. You do not need to complete a paper membership form since you registered online. You'll get your membership card at the chalet after Christmas. In addition to the email confirmation/receipt you will receive an email regarding Cross Country Canada membership with a link to the CCC site which allows you to print a CCC membership card. You do not need to print this card.

3. If you do not register online, you have to go to Debbie's Video to complete a paper membership form and pay your fee. Membership forms will be available beginning on Thursday, December 6th. Once again, if you can pay by **cheque**, please do so. When you are filling out the paper form please complete all sections including the date of birth and the email address sections. Email is our primary method of communication, so print carefully and clearly. You'll get your membership card at the chalet after Christmas.

After December 23<sup>rd</sup> you can still register online as described above, but you will pay the regular fee. All cheque/cash payments will be completed at the chalet after Christmas when regular hours of operation begin. Paper membership forms will be available at the chalet.

This year we are offering a **Beginner Ski Package**. This package includes free ski lessons offered by qualified ski instructors. The package is available to adults who have not been club members previously and are new to cross country skiing. If ski gear is required for the lessons, it can be rented at \$5 per lesson. After completion of the lessons, participants may join the ski club at a 50% discount for the remainder of the ski season. Lessons are scheduled for early January. If you know of someone who would be interested in this Beginner Ski Package, have them email me at [pgsutherland@eastlink.ca](mailto:pgsutherland@eastlink.ca)

Happy registration and Merry Christmas!