

Nordic Wrecks X-Country Ski and Snowshoe Club



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President's Message

Hello skiers and snowshoers,

First, many thanks to all our members who attended the first meeting/sign-up event. It was wonderful to see so many of you that evening. I would also like to thank those members who have been actively promoting the club with their friends, family and members of other groups. We signed up 11 brand new members on November 6th.

Please Note: Our next meeting will be held on Monday, December 4th in rooms 5/6 of the **Pinetree Community Centre** (which is attached to Pinetree Secondary School) 1260 Pinetree Way in Coquitlam. If this is your first meeting this season, please take a minute to familiarize yourself with the Centre's location as it is easy to drive past. There is pay parking in front of the Community Centre (\$1.00 per hour) or you can park free of charge across the street in the Town Centre Parking Lot just off Trevor Wingrove Way.

The event will begin at **7:30** and we are pleased to announce that we will be having a guest speaker from Coquitlam Search and Rescue, so come with any questions you have about being prepared for outdoor activities during the winter. There will also be plenty of time to social during the evening and sign up for all those trips you are interested in.

Again, I would like to sincerely thank all the trip leaders who have volunteered their time this year. The club would not exist or be successful without their great effort and help.

-**Sharon Maksym** (604 740-5335) Manning on Saturday January 6 and Sunday February 4

-**Kathy Leko** (604 839-2776) Callaghan on Sunday January 14 and Saturday March 2

-Cathy Soo (604 671-4582) and **Jeannette Blanchard** (604 520-1052) Silver Star on Tuesday to Thursday, January 23-25
-Jeannette Blanchard (604 520-1052) Lost Lake on Saturday January 27 and Manning on Sunday February 25
-Wendy Thompson (604 868-8678) Callaghan on Sunday February 18
-Karen Aime (604 788-9194) and **John Sullivan** (604 290-2792) Sun Peaks on Tuesday to Thursday, February 20-22

At this time all of our trips have plenty of spaces available. Remember we need 30 people on our day trips and 40 on our multi-day trips to pay for the cost of the bus. I am encouraging you to please sign up now for any trip you may be interested in for the 2023/24 season.

Two trips that we will be deciding on very soon are the January 6 Manning Park trip and the Silver Star multi-day trip January 23-25.

Please sign up for Manning by calling Sharon at 604 740-5335 or Silver Star by calling Cathy at 604-671-4582. Thank you.

As of today, the numbers for each trip are as follows:

Manning Park, Saturday January 6: **12 signed up**
Callaghan Valley, Sunday January 14: **15 signed up**
Silver Star, January 23-25: **31 signed up (only 9 spaces left!)**
Lost Lake, Saturday January 27: **12 signed up**
Manning Park, Sunday February 4: **10 signed up**
Callaghan Valley, Sunday February 18: **7 signed up**
Sun Peaks, February 20-22: **21 signed up**
Manning Park, Sunday February 25: **6 signed up**
Callaghan Valley, Saturday March 2: **11 signed up**

The bus pick up remains at the same location which is at Burnaby 8 Rinks (now called Scotia Barn by Canlan Sports) located at 6501 Sprott Street. Please park your cars on the outer edge of the parking lot, at the back of the building which is off Norland Avenue.

Once again, my most important request this season is that I would like to ask all of you to encourage a neighbour, friend, family member or former club member to join the club. Also, I would like to remind everyone that if you are unable to attend the meetings, you can contact our trip leaders directly by phone to register. Remember signing up early helps the club with scheduling buses and accommodation.

Let's hope we see the snow on the mountains soon so our winter season can begin.

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