

40th Annual Carlton Trail Ski Club Valentine's Loppet

Sat. Feb. 11, 2023 at CTSC Dixon Trails

Complete Information



1. Registration & Fees

- **All registration for the Valentine's Loppet will be done online at <https://zone4.ca/register.asp?id=31081>.**
 - Payment will be by credit card only.
 - A small online service fee will be added by Zone 4. In the event of cancellation and refund for this loppet, this service fee cannot be refunded, sorry.
- **Registration fees will be as follows (includes hot meal):**
 - **\$25.00 for Adults** (born 2004 or earlier)
 - *Carlton Trail Ski Club Adult Members \$20.00*
 - **\$15.00 for Youth** (born 2005 or later)
 - *Carlton Trail Ski Club Youth Members \$10.00*
 - **\$60.00 for Family** (parents with children born 2005 or later)
 - *Carlton Trail Ski Club families \$50.00*
- **Registration closes Friday, Feb. 10 at 1:00 p.m.**
- **Late registration** (missed the Feb. 10, 1:00 p.m. online deadline) will be accepted in-person only and at the registration desk.
 - Late fees will be added as follows:
 - \$5.00 per participant or
 - \$10.00 per family
 - Payment by late registrants shall be made at the registration desk, and can be by cash, cheque, or e-transfer from your phone.
- **Meal only (non-participants)** – should there be anyone wanting to join you/us as a non-participant (e.g. will not be out on the trails at all), they are welcome to join us for the meal for \$10.00 (10 & under \$5.00).
 - Meal payment by non-participants shall be made at the registration desk, and can be by cash, cheque, or e-transfer from your phone.

2. Other Information:

➤ Directions to the Dixon clubhouse:

- From downtown Humboldt, go 10 km west on Hwy 5. Turn north (right) on the grid closest to (and just east of) the orange Pioneer Inland Terminal. There is a little blue cross country ski highway sign there. **DO NOT take Dixon Road** – take the next road just west of Dixon Road. Proceed 6.4 km north then turn left (west). About 1.5 km down this road, you will see the clubhouse (a former one-room school house) on your right.
- If coming from the west, turn north (left) on the first grid just past the orange Pioneer Inland Terminal. There is a little blue cross country ski highway sign there. Proceed 6.4 km north then turn left (west). About 1.5 km down this road, you will see the clubhouse (a former one-room school house) on your right.



- **Check-In** – All participants **must check in** at the registration desk in the Dixon clubhouse prior to hitting the trails.
 - Check-in will be between 9:00 and 10:00 a.m., but will also remain open later as needed.
- **Check Out** – All participants **must check out** at the registration desk in the Dixon clubhouse when done on the trails and prior to departure.
 - This is so we can account for all participants at day's end.
 - On check out, all participants will receive a certificate of participation.
- **Trails:**
 - View our **trail maps** at <https://carltontrailskiclub.weebly.com/trails.html>. All our Dixon trails are also on [Trailforks](#).
 - Trail maps will also be available in the clubhouse.
 - The trails will be **open from 10:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.**
 - The trails **close at 2:30 p.m. Please be off the trails by 2:30 p.m.**
 - The Dixon trails run through the rolling, wooded terrain of the Dixon hills.

- **Classic** ski trails:
 - There are seven classic ski trails of varying distances and difficulty to choose from. Two are on the south side of the road and five on the north (clubhouse) side.
 - The Jackrabbit Trail (1 km) on the south side of the road and the Hayfield Loop (1 km) and Cotton Candy Loop (2.3 km) on the north side are less challenging.
 - The South Trail (4.3 km) and the Log Cabin Loop (3.5 km), Grouse Mountain Loop (5.5 km), and Ed's Inn Loop (7.5 km) on the north side offer more of a challenge due to the hills and rolling terrain.
- **Skate** ski trails:
 - There is a 3.3 km skate ski trail on the south side of the road, cut through wooded hills and rolling terrain.
- **Snowshoe** trails:
 - There is a variety of dedicated snowshoe trails on the north side.
- There will be three **manned checkpoints** on the north trails – Cotton Candy Lodge, the Log Cabin, and Ed's Inn. Each of these sites also has an outhouse.
- An emergency plan and communications plan will be in place
 - **EMERGENCY** – call (306) 231-8284 (please enter this into your contacts)
- **Clubhouse** – The clubhouse is heated and is wheelchair accessible.
 - There are tables and chairs in the clubhouse.
 - Due to space limitations, **no ski equipment** will be allowed **in the clubhouse**. Any waxing must be done outside.
- **Water** – There is **no running water on site**.
- **Drinking water** will be available from a water jug. We encourage everyone to bring their own drinking water and water bottle(s).
- **Meal** – A hot, home-style meal is included with registration fees.
 - The meal will be **available starting at 11:30 a.m. and until 3:30 p.m.**
 - The **tentative menu** includes ham, potatoes, corn, coleslaw, and buns (this may change without notice).
 - Coffee, tea, hot chocolate, and a cold juice (e.g. Tang) will be served with the meal.
- **Bathroom facilities** – There is a new, modern, heated, wheelchair accessible **outhouse** behind the clubhouse (two separate stalls). There is hand sanitizer in each stall (but no running water).
 - There is also an older unheated outhouse on site.
 - There are also outhouses on the north trails at Cotton Candy Lodge, the Log Cabin, and Ed's Inn.
- **Door prizes** – Every registered & checked-in loppet participant will automatically be entered in to win one of a number of door prizes.
 - The door prizes will be drawn at noon and the names of the winners taped to the prize (or otherwise indicated), to be picked up by the winner any time after noon.
 - **Huge thanks to the club members and businesses** that donated door prize items!
- **Raffle Table** – There will be also be a raffle table, with a number of items being raffled. All proceeds help support the Carlton Trail Ski Club with trail maintenance and clubhouse expenses.
 - People in attendance can buy tickets and drop them in the draw buckets corresponding to the item(s) of their choice any time between 9:00 a.m and 1:00 p.m.
 - A random draw will be made at 1:00 p.m. for each item from the tickets in each bucket.

- The names of the winners will be listed on the white board, to be picked up by the winner any time after 1:15 p.m.
 - **Huge thanks to the club members and businesses** that donated raffle items!
 - All proceeds help the Carlton Trail Ski Club maintain their trails and clubhouse, so thank you for considering buying tickets!
- **Accommodations:**
- Canalta (Humboldt) – 682-4731
 - Bella Vista (Humboldt) – 682-2686
 - Pioneer Hotel & Motel – 682-2638
- **Parking:**
- **Parking marshals** will be in place to direct vehicles in the parking lot.
 - Overflow parking will be on the south side of the road only. Vehicles can unload near the clubhouse, but then proceed west to do a U-turn and come back to park on the roadside.
- **Wheelchair accessibility** – The clubhouse and the outhouses are fully wheelchair accessible, thanks to a renovation grant from the Government of Canada. There is a loading/unloading pad on the west side of the clubhouse; the parking marshals will direct you.
- **Fire Pit** – There will be a fire pit behind the clubhouse. **Marshmallows** and roasting sticks will be made available.
- **Schedule Summary:**
- 9:00 a.m. – registration desk opens
 - 9:00 a.m. – coffee, tea, and hot chocolate available (free)
 - 10:00 a.m. – trails open
 - 11:30 a.m. – meal service begins
 - 12:00 p.m. – door prizes drawn & winning names displayed
 - 1:00 p.m. – raffle table closes
 - 1:15 p.m. – raffle winners drawn & winning names displayed
 - 2:30 p.m. – trails close
 - 3:30 p.m. – meal service ends
 - **Don't forget to check out at the registration desk when done on the trails and prior to your departure.**