



**Cross-Country Ski de fond Canada**  
**Fact sheet**  
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**I. CCC background**

Cross-Country Ski de fond Canada (CCC), the governing body of cross-country skiing in Canada, was founded in 1984 to provide national programs for the continuous development of cross-country skiing from the introductory level to international excellence, for participants of all ages and abilities.

CCC is governed by a volunteer Board of Directors, elected by the voting members of the association to govern the association on their behalf. The day-to-day operations of CCC are managed by an executive director and a full-time staff. CCC's national office is located at the Canmore Nordic Centre in Canmore, Alberta, which is also the base of operations for the National Ski Team.

Contact information for CCC's National Office is as follows:

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***Mission***

To develop and deliver programs designed to achieve international excellence in cross-country skiing.

***Mandate***

To provide national programs for the continuous development of cross-country skiing from introductory experience to international excellence, for participants of all ages and abilities, fostering the principles of ethical conduct and fair play.

## **II. The sport**

Cross-country skiing is Canada's optimal winter sport with more than one million Canadians participating annually. Cross-country skiing is an activity with "no boundaries" for age, region, gender or conditioning level. It is easy to learn and its benefits for health and fitness are well known and unmatched.

For some cross-country skiers, competition is the primary focus and excellence is the desired result. For others, the primary motivation is the personal enjoyment derived from a "lifestyle" activity which takes place in the pristine outdoors during Canada's winter. Regardless of the nature or the level of their aspirations, all cross-country skiers belong to a "community" in which a love of the sport is the common factor.

## **III. Board of Directors**

President – James Coatsworth, ON

Director - Peter Lloyd, QC

Director – Dorothy Lothian, ON

Director – Al Pilcher, ON

Director – Ken Read, AB

Director – Jennifer Tomlinson, ON

Director - Dave Moore, NB (DCC appointment) Athlete Director – Colin Abbott, YT

## **IV. Membership**

Cross-Country Ski de fond Canada is proud to be supported by more than 60,000 members across the country. A person can join as either an individual or supporting member and can be associated directly to CCC or through their provincial or territorial division.

## **V. Key staff positions**

Executive Director – Davin MacIntosh

Director of High Performance – Thomas Holland

Assistant Director High Performance (Para-Nordic) – Mike Edwards

Director of Coaching & Athlete Development – Stéphane Barrette

Director of Events – Dave Dyer

Director of Business Development – Matthew Jeffries

Manager of Communications & Marketing – Martine Zilligen

Manager of Accounting – Sherry Thompson

## **VI. National Ski Team**

The National Ski Team (NST) consists of five teams of athletes including:

- Senior World Cup Team (coaches: Justin Wadsworth, Louis Bouchard)
- Senior Development Team (coaches: Chris Jeffries, Pavlina Sudrich, Louis Bouchard)
- Junior Team
- Para-Nordic World Cup Team (coach: Robin McKeever)
- Para-Nordic Development Team (coach: Robin McKeever)

## VII. Training Centre System

The focal point of CCC's high performance program structure is an updated training centre system that complements and assists in the optimal delivery of the NST program. This system is an athlete development and support vehicle that is formally affiliated with CCC.

1. **Initial structure.** As of the 2015/16 operational year, CCC's training centre system became represented through the following three entities:
  - a. **National Training Centre (NTC).** The CCC-operated NTC is located at the Canmore Nordic Centre in Canmore, AB.
  - b. **National Development Centres (NDCs).** These centres, located across Canada, have regional orientation and include:
    - 1) Pierre Harvey Training Centre (PHTC) – Quebec City, QC – Quebec & East.  
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    - 2) Thunder Bay Training Centre (TBTC) – Thunder Bay, ON – Ontario.  
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## VIII. Long Term Athlete Development (LTAD) model

Cross-Country Ski de fond Canada has developed a sport-specific LTAD model that is consistent with Sport Canada's model, but customized to our sport and the structure of our sport system. The LTAD concept has become the touchstone against which the relevance and effectiveness of all operations, functions and supporting systems within Cross-Country Ski de fond Canada are measured.

## IX. Haywood NorAm race series

The Haywood NorAm series is the premier development race series in North America. The series enables the best skiers (senior and junior) from Canada, and guests from the United States, to compete head-to-head throughout the early and middle periods of the ski season. The series also encourages high level domestic competition among regional skiers who aspire to attain national development and national team status. This series creates international and national competition opportunities that facilitate team and trip selection and prepares athletes for international competition in Europe. There are two levels of events that comprise the series: NorAm events and Canada Cup events.

## **X. Olympic, World Championships and Paralympic medals**

### ***Olympic***

2002 – Beckie Scott – Gold (Pursuit)  
2006 – Chandra Crawford – Gold (Skate Sprint)  
2006 – Beckie Scott/Sara Renner – Silver (Team Sprint)

### ***World Championships***

2005 – Sara Renner – Bronze (Sprint)  
2011 – Devon Kershaw/Alex Harvey – Gold (Team Sprint)  
2013 – Alex Harvey – Bronze (Individual Sprint)  
2015 – Alex Harvey – Silver (Individual Sprint)  
2015 – Alex Harvey – Bronze (Skiathlon)

### ***Paralympic***

1998 – Colette Bourgonje – Silver (2.5 km Sit Ski)  
1998 – Colette Bourgonje – Silver (5 km Sit Ski)  
2002 – Brian McKeever – Gold (5 km Classic)  
2002 – Brian McKeever – Gold (10 km Skate)  
2002 – Brian McKeever – Silver (20 km Skate)  
2006 – Colette Bourgonje – Bronze (5 km)  
2006 – Colette Bourgonje – Bronze (10 km)  
2006 – Brian McKeever – Gold (5 km Skate)  
2006 – Brian McKeever – Bronze (7.5 km Biathlon)  
2006 – Brian McKeever – Gold (10 km Classic)  
2006 – Brian McKeever – Silver (20 km Classic)  
2010 – Brian McKeever – Gold (20 km Skate)  
2010 – Brian McKeever – Gold (10 km Classic)  
2010 – Brian McKeever – Gold (Sprint)  
2010 – Colette Bourgonje – Silver (10 km)  
2010 – Colette Bourgonje – Bronze (5 km)  
2014 – Brian McKeever – Gold (10 km Classic)  
2014 – Brian McKeever – Gold (20 km Skate)  
2014 – Brian McKeever – Gold (Sprint)  
2014 – Chris Klebl – Gold (10 km Sit Ski)  
2014 – Mark Arendz – Silver (7.5 km Biathlon)  
2014 – Mark Arendz – Bronze (12.5 km Biathlon)

## **XI. Key sponsors**

Haywood Securities Inc.  
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