

2016 Biathlon Western Championships

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone involved in the 2016 Biathlon Western Championships in Falcon Lake the last weekend of February. I have had the pleasure to work with an amazing team of volunteers over the last two years preparing for this event. I would like to thank the following people:

Ron Pelletier, Steve Broda-Milan, Heather Burdeniuk, Heather Schilling, Lin-P'ing Choo-Smith, Jim Kovachik, Barry Mitchell, Judy Dean, Brian Walters and Jamie Giasson.

Without their passion and commitment this event would not have been as wonderful as it was.

I would also like to thank the many other volunteers who came out for the event itself. The sport of Biathlon is very volunteer-demanding. Many, many biathlon and non-biathlon families became involved in the weekend and without all of you the event would not have been such a huge success. It has become obvious to me that Red River Nordic Ski & Biathlon Club has the strongest, most skilled and most dedicated people in it. All weekend long I had people stop me and tell me what a fabulous venue Falcon Ridge was and how well run the event was. This was all due to you, the volunteers. Thank you.

Here are a couple of comments from attendees.

Many thanks to Red River Nordic and chair Lorraine Mitchell for coordinating the Biathlon Westerns events this past weekend.

From what I saw, it was a great success!

Scott Lockhart, Kenora

Thanks to the entire crew at Westerns. That is one heck of a range and trails system you have set up. Plus, the event was so well run from an organizing perspective.

Thanks for the great weekend.

Doug Sylvester, Saskatchewan Head Coach

Congratulations to all of you who came out to help. You made this event so extraordinary that Biathlon Canada wants to come out here again and soon.

Lorraine Mitchell, Westerns Chairperson