

The Legend

The Birchleg is a fun ski event re-enacting a cross country ski trip made by two Viking warriors in the 13th Century. King Haakon of Norway was murdered in 1204 during a time of civil war. The King's infant son was in immediate peril of the same fate. Two Viking warriors loyal to their dead king and his heir took the baby to safety in Trondheim. Their flight was in midwinter, skiing 55 kilometers across the mountains. Holding the child secure behind a shield, these warriors were armed with a battle-axe and spears. Young Haakon Haakonson grew to adulthood in safety, returning to Norway to claim his father's throne.

Please join us for this wonderful community event, and show your spirit!

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Wells Gray Outdoors Club

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WGOC sponsors the 2016 Birchleg in Clearwater

A fun family event!
Saturday, February 6th, 2016

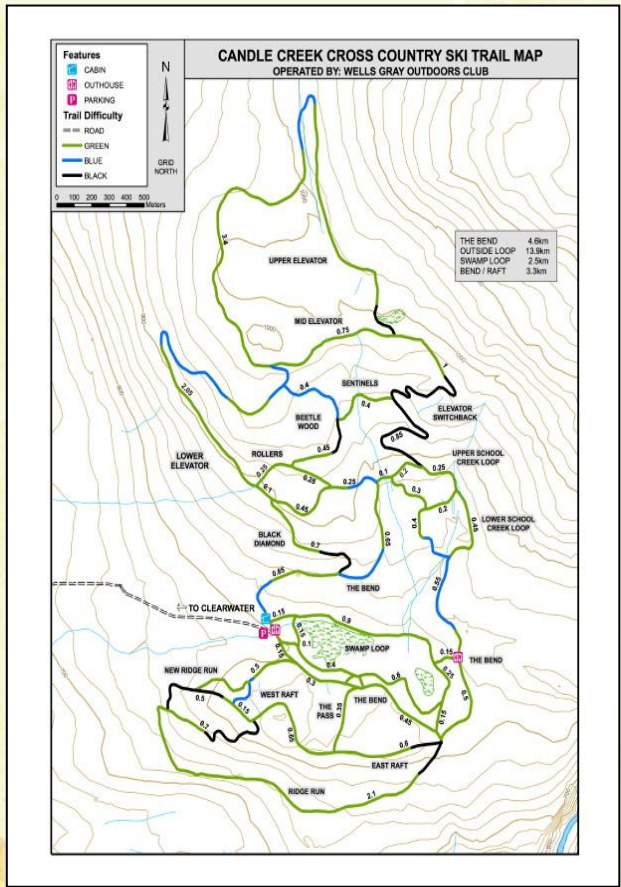
Candle Creek ski trails
in Clearwater, B.C.

Mass start at 10:00 am

Prizes for the best
"Birchleg" costumes, plus a
hot Norwegian style lunch!

Candle Creek Trails

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Entry Fees: Before Jan. 31st After Jan. 31st

Student	\$15.00	\$20.00
Adult	\$20.00	\$25.00
Family	\$40.00	\$50.00

(Family - parents, and children under age 18)

form is found enclosed within this brochure). Routes will be clearly marked, and volunteers will be on hand for any assistance required. No dogs please. Maps will be available at the warming hut.

For early registration, a form can be dropped off at the Community Resource Centre, the Wells Gray Inn, or mailed to the Wells Gray Outdoors Club, 1197 Barber Road, Clearwater, BC, V0E 1N1 prior to January 31st, 2016. Late registration and packet pickup at Candle Creek warming hut from 9:00 am to 10:00 am on Saturday February 6th, 2016.



Start Time: There is a mass start at 10:00 am. This is a fun event, so there is no timing!
Start Location: The warming hut at Candle Creek cross country ski trails. We will have signs to guide you to our trails on the highway and around Clearwater!



Aid Stations: Located at the start line and throughout the courses with our wonderful search and rescue volunteers.
Courses: Classic technique, routes to be announced closer to race date, or chose to snowshoe instead!
Finish, lunch, and prizes: At the Candle Creek warming hut from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. All children under the age of 12 will receive a prize, so parents, please include your child's age on the registration (the

Candle Creek trails are located just a few kilometres northwest of Clearwater, British Columbia.