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#### Welcome

welcome to our second edition. I would like to call this one "Let's take a break". If your ski season was like the one we had in Quebec, it was a very long one!

Before we all "Summernate", here's the latest news from CANSI.

We would also like to thank the four members who expressed interest in helping us to proofread our Newsletter.

On behalf of myself and all of the Board members I would like to wish you a pleasant summer. We hope to see you back in September.

Gaétan Lord CANSI Quebec President CANSI National President



### Survey

CANSI is always looking for ways to improve, and we think one of the best ways to do that is to ask you how. We've produced a very short survey about our organization and would be grateful if you took five minutes to complete it. Responses will remain anonymous unless you'd like to include your name.

Count on us to read every comment and answer. We would love to hear from you, regardless whether or not you renewed your membership! The survey is <u>available</u>

### video.cansi.ca

For many of us, summer is the best time to relax, but for CANSI board members at least, the next few months will be busy. We are currently working on a number of projects, which should be completed this summer. You'll find all the details in our August newsletter, but here's one official change we can tell you about now.

CANSI will regroup all approved videos under one web address: <u>video.cansi.ca</u>. This website will include public videos produced by members as well as a private section where course conductors will find useful material. We will populate the site in the next few weeks.

# **CANSI** is looking for photos

We would like to change the CANSI website header for the upcoming season. The current one only displays an XC skier and the old CANSI logo. The goal is to create a rotating header with one picture of a telemark skier and another of an XC skier.

We are looking for non-copyright photos that you would like to share. Ideally the skier would be wearing the CANSI jacket. Note that we will consider group photos. The photo dimensions should be 755x200px. If you have a bigger picture we can likely resize it.

Please send your "chef d'oeuvre" to Françoise at <u>office@cansi.ca</u>. The change will be implemented over the summer.

#### Interski 2015

The next Interski happens in Argentina during September of 2015; it is closer than you might think.

Interski is an international gathering of alpine, telemark and nordic track skiers featuring demos and workshops of the latest trends and techniques from the various participating countries. If you would like to participate in this prestigious event or simply take part in the extensive training, please indicate your interest soon. Email Charles Blair to have your name added to the mailing list.

Reference: interski.org and interski-2015.org



There were two informal Interski on-snow meetings this spring. Two short videos were produced which are part of our new CANSI video webpage. Take a look at them video.cansi.ca.

#### On-line manuals: advisor wanted



Is your CANSI manual getting a bit dog-eared? Time for a new copy? How about an on-line copy?

CANSI would like to modernize our instructors' manual and course conductors' manual with on-line versions so you don't have to worry about getting hard copies and keeping them up to date. Goodbye sketches, hello photos sequences and videos.

We are looking for a volunteer to assess our needs and the different models used for on-line documents, and advise us of the best way to create our own on-line manuals. If you are familiar with different types of on-line documents and how they are built and operate we would like to hear from you. Please contact us at office@cansi.ca.



### **CANSI by-laws**

CANSI by-laws had to be adapted in order to comply with the new Corporations Act. The Board took this opportunity to update them comprehensively. These revised by-laws were drafted in collaboration with a law firm, using valuable members' input. They

were approved at the February 2014 AGM and are posted in the <u>Archives page</u> of the Members Area. They were also professionally translated into French, see the <u>French Archives page</u>.

The AGM minutes are available in the <u>2012-2013 AGM page</u> of the Members Area together with the agenda and several AGM-related documents.

### **Inside our National Office**

National Office - does this mean anything to you? Françoise - does this name sound familiar?

Well, both are closely related. Françoise Chatenoud is the one who makes sure everything runs smoothly at CANSI. Françoise is the only permanent CANSI employee. She takes care of the day-to-day needs of the organization (such as administration, managing the membership database, posting on the website) and also takes care of all your special requests.

Françoise works out of our National Office. The office recently moved from Chelsea to Gatineau, but we are still sharing office space with Robert Lafleur, a long-time CANSI member. His company has been doing the accounting for CANSI for several years.



If you have any CANSI-related questions, feel free to contact Françoise by Email at any time, at office@cansi.ca.

# **Telemark Racing as an Olympic Sport?**



Jasmine Taylor is a British telemark skier competing on the Telemark World Cup Circuit. She ranked 7th in the world, and is the current British Champion, and 2013 French Cup winner. She started competing as an alpine skier at age 12, and started telemark skiing in 2009, representing Britain in the 2011 World Junior Telemark Championships. She has started a petition on change.org to make Telemark Ski

Racing an Olympic Sport. There are currently over 1600 signatures on the petition.

Currently the governing body of ski racing, the FIS, is meeting in Barcelona, Spain. CANSI member Stephane Perreault is attending representing Telemark racing in Canada. All of the telemark representatives are trying to raise awareness of this campaign during the meeting.

You can help by adding your name to the petition.

## Mountain region news - CANSI Scholarship

The CANSI Mountain Region (covering Alberta and the North West Territories) has a scholarship fund available to individuals wanting to pursue certification, and to clubs wishing to host a certification course for their members. Individuals can apply for a subsidy of up to the cost of the course and clubs can apply for a subsidy up to \$1000.

For further details or to apply for a scholarship please contact <a href="mailto:mountain@cansi.ca">mountain@cansi.ca</a>

## Pacific region news - congratulations

The 2013-2014 season has allowed many of us to continue our professional development, reaching new and higher Levels of Certification as CANSI Instructors.

The CANSI Pacific Board of Directors would like to congratulate those in BC and the Yukon who have reached one of the higher levels in Cross Country:

Bruce Mitchell Level III Ingrid Mitchell Level III Lisa Palechuk Level III

Phil Youwe Level II
Gillian Poole Level II

And in Telemark:



Marie-Catherine Bruno Level III

(Marie-Catherine becomes the first female Master Nordic skier in Canada, achieving the highest level of CANSI Certification in both Cross Country and Telemark. Well done Marie-Catherine!)

We would also like to congratulate all those of you who have successfully passed their Level I and welcome you.

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