



About the American Birkebeiner Ski Foundation (ABSF)

The American Birkebeiner Ski Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. The ABSF Mission is built upon three pillars;

- To promote and conduct the finest international cross-country ski competition and healthy, active lifestyle events;
- To serve as good stewards of the American Birkebeiner Trail;
- To support healthy and active lifestyles among people of all ages and abilities.

More about the American Birkebeiner Ski Foundation

- The American Birkebeiner Ski Foundation is a membership-based organization. Annual memberships are available for individuals, families, and businesses.
- The ABSF is funded through race fees, membership dues, sponsorships, and donations; it receives no local, state, or federal tax money.
- The ABSF is fiscally responsible for maintaining 100 percent of the Birkie Trail system with annual maintenance costs of approximately \$365,000, depending on the year and conditions. Including annual snow-making operational expenses (new in 2018/2019), however, the total rises to \$520,000.
- The ABSF is led by a 13-member Board of Directors.
- The ABSF employs approximately twenty-five individuals, including, thirteen full time employees and 11 part-time or seasonal staff.
- The ABSF provides a year-round calendar of healthy, active, lifestyle events.

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