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City of Lakes Loppet Ski Festival Prices Increase Tomorrow (January 11)

The snow is falling, the Chain of Lakes are frozen, and the City of Lakes Loppet is less than a month away!

As the big weekend approaches, many [City of Lakes Loppet Festival events](#) are filling and organizers expect most events to be closed before festival weekend. **Prices for all Loppet Festival events increase tomorrow, Wednesday, January 11, at 11:59pm. [Register Now.](#)**

Events Are Filling Up Fast

The [Luminary Loppet](#), which has sold out the past several years, is filling quickly. The 6:00 p.m. wave is at maximum capacity and will close at midnight, January 11th, with the 6:30 and 7pm waves filling right behind it. The [Captain Ken's Kubba Tournament](#) filled over a month ago. The [Penn Cycle Fat Tire Loppet](#) is filling quickly and the [Fat Tire Puoli](#) (half distance) is expected to fill as well.

National Championship Events in 2017

The City of Lakes Loppet Cross Country Ski Festival continues to host National Championship events including:

- **International Federation of Sleddog Sports (IFSS) National Championships**
– [Chuck & Don's Skijoring Loppet one dog and two dog national championships.](#)
- **American Cross Country Skiers (AXCS) National Masters Championships**
 - [42km Hoigaard's Classic Marathon](#) – Female and male skiers 30-59 years (F1-F6 age divisions)
 - [21km Classic Puoli Loppet](#) – Female and male skiers 60+ years (F7+ age divisions)
 - [21km Skate Puoli Loppet](#) – Female and male skiers ages 30+ (F1 and up age divisions)
- **US Speed Skating (USS) National Championship** – The [25k Speedskating Loppet](#) will also be the 2017 US Speedskating Open Long Distance Championships.

Festival Trail Updates

The Minneapolis Chain of Lakes are frozen and hundreds of our volunteers are beginning the process of [Freezing and Hatching](#) the luminaries for the Luminary Loppet. We've also recently opened the newly-expanded and reconfigured Hap Lutter snowmaking loop (3.7K)!

Volunteers Needed!

Over the next few days and weeks we will need: Luminary freezers and hatchers, aid station staffers, registration assistants, parking monitors, Minne-Loppet liaisons, Green Team members... and the list goes on! All Loppet volunteers receive a Loppet branded Columbia hat!

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