

## The American Birkebeiner, the Famous Wisconsin Ski Race 50 kilometers, from Cable to Hayward

### American Birkebeiner: Stories and Traditions

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Join American Birkebeiner participants Marv Franson and Jerry Poling for a conversation about their encounters with Heckler's Hill, B\*\*\*\* Hill, and Son of B\*\*\*\* Hill. And Fire Tower and Mosquito Brook. Even if you are not a skier, you are going to enjoy learning about this quintessential Wisconsin experience. Maybe you'll even be inspired to try this wonderful sport.

When and Where: March 7, at 6 p.m., in the Riverview Room of the L.E. Phillips Memorial Public Library.

This event is free and sponsored by the Waldemar Ager Association ([agerhouse.org](http://agerhouse.org)). Thanks to the public library for providing the venue for the presentation.



The American Birkebeiner is the largest race of its kind in the US. It includes a Kortelopet and other skiing events. Thousands of skiers will go off in waves starting at 8:15 on Saturday, February 25. Classic skiers race 53 kilometers to get to the finish line. Skaters do 50K. Only one among them is a Founder, Ernie St. Germaine, who has participated in all the races since the first one in 1973.

Marv and Jerry have trained for and raced in the

American Birkebeiner for decades. As usual, they will start again in Cable and finish in downtown Hayward. We wish them all the best—good snow, the right wax, proper hydration and nutrition, good gloves, and the joy of an amazing achievement.



