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AUSTRALIAN BIATHLON NATIONAL CAMP – MT HOTHAM 24-28 JUNE 2010

The Australian Biathlon Association is holding a National Training Camp at Mt Hotham at the end of June.

In the sport which combines the arduous demands of cross-country skiing with precision target shooting, more than a dozen athletes from Victoria, New South Wales and the ACT have signed up to take on the challenge.

“We’ve had a large number of Juniors take up biathlon over the last year, it’s great to be able to organise a national-level training event!” says ABA Executive Officer, Paul Connor.

National-level coaches include Cameron Morton, Nick Almoukov and Toscha Stopar. The trainees include Nick’s son Alex, who represented Australia at the Vancouver Winter Olympics last February. Most participants are school-aged and all are keen.

“Biathletes have to be very fit and of above-average maturity for their age. The ones who stay the distance are all impressive individuals,” says Paul.

Most of the attendees will be taking part in the various biathlon competitions scheduled for July/August 2010 at Whiskey Flat.

Further details may be found on the ABA website www.biathlon.asn.au

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Attachment: Photo of Alex Almoukov at ABA National Championships, Mt Hotham, August 2009



Alex Almoukov 2010