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Team Birkie Coach Caitlin Gregg Announces Departure from Team

It is with a heavy heart that Team Birkie, as well as Central Cross Country Skiing (CXC), American Birkebeiner Ski Foundation, and Loppet Foundation (Team Birkie's founding organizations) announce that Caitlin Gregg is stepping away from the team. Coach Gregg has been an integral part of the Team Birkie family since its inception. Indeed, it was through sheer force of will that Caitlin brought Team Birkie to life, in order to allow Midwestern athletes to train in their own backyard and achieve unparalleled athletic success.

During Caitlin's tenure, the team has achieved numerous milestones. Athletes have qualified for the World Cup, Tour de Ski, U23 World Championships, World University Games, and OPA Cup Finals. Others saw great improvement under Caitlin, including many college athletes who worked with Team Birkie during the summer the past several years. In the end, Caitlin definitively established that an elite team can successfully operate out of the Central Region, and Minneapolis in particular. Caitlin has been a dedicated and passionate leader, constantly pushing team members to perform at their best both on and off the snow.

"I have enjoyed helping to reestablish a professional team here in the Midwest. I look forward to cheering Team Birkie and the athletes in their next chapter, especially with Loppet Cup 2024," said Caitlin.

Team Birkie and its founding organizations wish Caitlin all the best in her future endeavors and thank her for her invaluable contributions to the team and our community. More than just sharing her skiing expertise, Caitlin has demonstrated what it means to love skiing and sport. As a woman and a mother in a male-dominated profession, Caitlin has been a ground breaker and an inspiration - living, working and skiing in North Minneapolis and always doing her best to open the door to the underserved to be part of our sport and our lifestyle.

We thank Caitlin and the whole Gregg Family and fully expect to see much more of them in the years ahead!

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