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STANLEY, IDAHO—The Sawtooth Society is excited to host several winter events in the Sawtooth NRA. This is an opportunity for recreationists to enjoy the area year-round and get to know the winter side of the Sawtooth NRA.

“The Sawtooth Society is delighted to take part in winter activities and capture the attention of new people to love the Sawtooth NRA year-round,” said Sawtooth Society’s Membership and Volunteer Coordinator Kelly Conde. “Come up to Stanley for two great winter celebrations and learn more about the Sawtooth Society while discovering how enjoyable winter can be in the Sawtooth Valley.”

Join us on Saturday, Feb. 14, for the 2nd Annual Sawtooth Skate Ski Clinic at the Park Creek Nordic trails located 6-miles west of Stanley on Hwy. 21. This FREE event will have you mastering the fast and exciting art of skate skiing in the majestic Sawtooth Mountains. The skate ski clinic will offer beginner and intermediate classes with VAMPS Coach EJ Harpham to lead the beginner class from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., and Sun Valley Ski Education Foundation Director Rick Kapala to lead the intermediate class from 1 to 3 p.m. After skating, enjoy \$5 chili and drink specials at The Sluice in Stanley.

If you don’t own a pair of skate skis, Backwoods Mountain Sports in Ketchum will rent skis, boots and poles at the highly discounted price of \$10 for the day. Contact Kelly Conde at kelly@sawtoothsociety.org or call (208) 994-1654 to reserve skis and a space in the clinic. Skis will be available by reservation in Stanley the day of the clinic.

On Saturday, Feb. 21, the Sawtooth Society will host the first Winterfest 40 Fat Bike Race in Stanley as part of the 6th Annual Stanley Winterfest. This 40-kilometer race winds through exciting and varied terrain all in view of the beautiful Sawtooth Mountains. For those who want a mellower race, a 30K option is also available. Come for the race and stay for the live music, food and fun at Stanley’s annual Winterfest. The Winterfest 40 Fat Bike Race begins at 10 a.m. There is a race fee of \$30. To register, visit <http://winterfest40.athlete360.com/>. For information and updates visit www.facebook.com/stanleyfatbike.

The Sawtooth Society, formed in 1997, is the only non-profit group dedicated exclusively to serving as an advocate for the Sawtooth National Recreation Area, preserving open space in the Sawtooth National Recreation Area and enhancing its recreation facilities and services. The Sawtooth Society has funded over 160 recreational-related projects throughout the Sawtooth National Recreation Area.

To learn about the Sawtooth Society and it’s membership visit <http://www.sawtoothsociety.org>. For more details and information, contact Kelly Conde at kelly@sawtoothsociety.org.