

# Five Winds - Winter Camping Hot Tenting

## Event Title **Queen Elizabeth 2 - Hot Tenting**

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| Event Type                | <b>Overnight 1 night</b>               |
| Event Location            | <b>QE2 Devils Lake area</b>            |
| Start Date & Ttime        | <b>Saturday, January 21, 2017</b>      |
| Start Time at Whitby      | <b>10:00 AM</b>                        |
| Finish Date               | <b>Sunday, January 22, 2017</b>        |
| Estimated Finishing Time  | <b>7 PM back in Whitby</b>             |
| Registration Cut-off Date | <b>Friday, January 13, 2017</b>        |
| Event Duration            | <b>2 days, 1 night</b>                 |
| Difficulty Rating:        | <b>Intermediate</b>                    |
| Event Coordinator         | <b>Gary Ataman 905-922-1434 cell</b>   |
| Member Cost               | <b>Share Carpool only</b>              |
| <b>Participant Info:</b>  |  |
| Who's Invited             | <b>Expereience folks in good shape</b> |
| Maximum Group Size        | <b>12</b>                              |
| Minimum Group Size        | <b>2</b>                               |
| Are Dogs Permitted        | <b>Yes, well behaved ones</b>          |



### **Itinerary:**

#### **Hot Tenting Base Camp**

On this adventure I wanted to try hot tenting again. I have made a homemade wood stove and a 8' x 10' tent tarp shelter. The plan is to sled in around 2 km along trails and frozen ponds and setup a base camp. Once set-up go on a 3 hour snowshoe daypack hike exploring the Queen Elizabeth 2 park around Devils/Sheldon Lake. Returning to camp for supper and sleeping in the hot tent for the night. I'm thinking we can sleep 4-6 in the tent shelter. On Sunday morning crank up the stove again for a good breakfast. Then head out in a different direction for a ~6 km (2.5 hour) day snowshoe hike. Back to camp for a snack and pack up camp and sled back to the trail. You can check out other trip photos from previous outings on my Facebook page.

The challenge on this adventure will be to see what's hot tenting all about.

Cooking over the wood stove or camp fire. Dress in layers. Wear boots with removable liners.

This trip is open to beginners to advance experienced winter campers with overnight winter camping experience. You need to be able to be comfortable bushwhacking on this adventure. You need to be able to bushwhack snowshoe at 2 km/hr. The planned route 4-5 km loop full pack/sled and 4-6 km day pack. You will need to be comfortable crossing frozen ponds and lakes.

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Planning will be coordinated via emails and phone calls. Winter camping guides, maps, etc will be forwarded before the outing to help you prepare. A planning spreadsheet will be sent out and needs to be filled in and returned to the coordinator in a timely manner to solidify your spot on the trip. In addition, if you are new to the coordinator a series of questions will be asked to determine your experience and fitness level. This will allow the coordinator to create balanced shelter teams and keep everyone safe and happy.

Everyone will need to have safety ice pikes, a whistle, and a first aid kit. You can pick this gear up at a Canadian Tire, Sail or hunting supply stores.

On Sunday afternoon after the outing we will have an early supper in Norland where we can sort out the carpool funds and have a few laughs.

### Required Items to Bring:

Winter camping clothing and equipment (eg. sleeping bag(s) equivalent rated to -20C, sleeping pad, small tarp (~8' x 10') or tent (if no room in hot tent shelter), winter boots, snow shoes and poles, dress in layers, backpack, insulated sleeve & water bottle, food, cooking gear, etc.

Ice pikes (mandatory), Whistle and First Aid Kit

15 meter throw rope (a few in the group)

Snowshoes /poles

Shovel (2 in group)

Your own food or team up with others

Cash for share of carpool

### Recommended Items to Bring:

Camera, sun glasses, lipseal, GPS, compass

NO cotton clothes.

Sled (optional)

### How to Get There:

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| Event Directions                           | See organizer for map and directions |
| Carpool to Event Distance (round trip)(km) | 290                                  |
| Carpool Departure Time                     | 8:00 AM                              |
| Carpool Location                           | Whitby GO Station                    |
| Carpool Directions                         | See me for map and directions        |
| Cost (\$) per Km                           | 0.2                                  |
| Total carpool cost per car (\$)            | 58.00                                |

### Notes;(if you have not winter camped with me)

1. Please provide a brief description of your winter camping and snowshoeing experience.
2. List gear you have and need.
3. How would you describe your physical fitness?
4. Can you swim?

If you not sure about something shoot me an email and I would be glad to help you out.

### Cost & Payment:

Your share of the carpool total cost / total people in carpool. Payment in cash.