

Going Loco down in Dobbiaco!

Manchester Cross Country Ski Club is organising it's first ever 'official' on-snow holiday in January 2024. In previous years some club members have travelled to Dobbiaco as a group to make transfers and travel easier but this was not coached or guided.

So why now? As a club we are lucky to have some great coaches who are accredited by either BASI or Snowsport England, and also, some of these coaches have been willing to commit to teaching on an on-snow holiday. The holiday is not for complete beginners, but geared towards people who have done 5 (or so) of our rollerski coaching sessions (coincidentally – the number of Rollerski sessions between the start of our autumn season of coaching and our holiday!).

Why Dobbiaco? While it is not a destination with direct flights from Manchester, it has a large network of cross country ski trails (120km in Dobiacco, and 200km within the region). Beautiful scenery, great food and a town that understands cross-country skiing means that it's worth a little bit extra effort.



As this is the first time organising an on snow trip, it has been a learning experience for both the coaches Ros and Rosie, and Sandra and Alison who have been handling the logistics. They have managed our relationship with the preferred accommodation Hotel Tschurtschenthaler, but attendees are free to choose their own accommodation if they want. The club did not book the travel, allowing attendees the opportunity to extend their stay, or pick a slower but more ecologically friendly mode of transport.

I'm so looking forwards to this holiday!