

# Avalanche Awareness Course

Tri-County Snowmobile Club - LEDUC, AB 2005

Nov 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> Classroom

Dec 16/17/18 or 19<sup>th</sup> Fieldwork



## Invest the time this season... what have YOU got to LOSE??

Backcountry sledding is an awesome and challenging sport but is not without its risks. Avalanche education can make our mountain experiences safer if we and our fellow sledders are knowledgeable in identifying high risk areas and trained for emergency situations.

### Snowmobilers teaching Snowmobilers!

Over the past six seasons Zac's Tracs has provided hands on training to over 600 sledders in locations throughout western Canada & the US. Evening Sessions are not enough! All riders need hands-on field instruction. Look at the terrain, the snow, and your riding habits with a new set of eyes. Minor changes in your riding style can make major changes in your risk level.



### TO REGISTER:

Call Brian B. at 780-437-4706

Or email to [brianbeebe@shaw.ca](mailto:brianbeebe@shaw.ca)

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WHERE: Leduc City Hall

WHAT: 16 hour – RAC Avalanche Class  
With Hands-on Field Practical

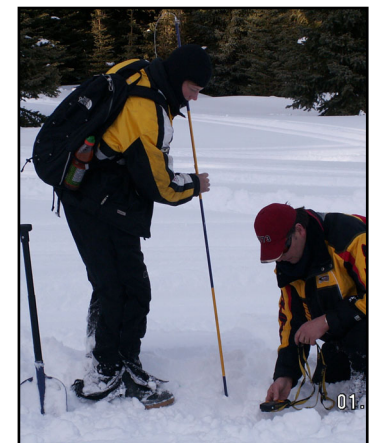
Evening 1: Tue, Nov 22<sup>nd</sup> Classroom session

Evening 2: Wed, Nov 23<sup>rd</sup> Classroom session

(Includes: TWO Evenings and  
Pick any ONE Field day)

Field Exercises: Fri, Sat, Sun, or Monday  
Dec 16<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> in Valemount, BC

COST: \$185 /pp incl'g GST for full course  
\$75/pp for classroom only



### Two Day Recreational Avalanche Courses – Canadian Avalanche Association Course Curriculum

#### Classroom Day 5:30 pm registrations, 6:00 pm–10:00 pm Tue & Wed Evenings

- Formation and nature of avalanches
- Identification of avalanche terrain and assessing avalanche danger
- Factors affecting snow stability
- Self rescue techniques
- Equipment demonstrations, proper usage and limitations
- Winter backcountry travel habits
- Analysis of past accidents, group activities, slides and videos

#### Field Day: 8:00 am – 5:30 pm Max. 16 pp/field day. Fri OR Sat OR Sun OR Mon

- Single and multiple burial searches using analog and digital technology
- Group rescue scenarios
- Safe travel and group management techniques
- Snow profile pit for stability tests, introductory crystal & potential failure plane identification
- Various models of SOS, Ortovox, Tracker, Pieps & Barryvox avalanche gear and SEAR snow study equipment available for student use and demo.
- Life size dummies and transmitters for rescue exercises.

(Maximum student to instructor ratio of 8:1)

*A Release of Liability must be signed before participating in any program.*

Course materials supplied by the:



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Over 10,000 students taught.



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