

Twitter creates list of 'tweeting' Olympians

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A competitor speeds down the course during the group A men's singles Luge practice session at the Whistler Sliding Centre, in preparation for the Vancouver Winter Olympics. Microblogging service Twitter is getting into the Olympic spirit and has created a list of winter athletes who "tweet."

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The Twitter list, available at [@verified/olympians](#), includes US ski star Lindsey Vonn, who "tweets" as [@lindseyvonn](#) and whose account has attracted more than 38,000 followers.

Vonn is also keeping fans up to date on her Vancouver preparations on her Facebook page.

US short-track speed skater Apolo Anton Ohno is another US athlete firing off messages on Twitter -- as [@ApoloOhno](#) -- and he used the service on Thursday to send his best wishes to Vonn, who has been

battling an injury.

Ohno's teammate, Chad Hedrick, is also "tweeting," as @chadhedrick. In addition to Twitter, Hedrick is posting photos to the "Chad Hedrick Fan Page" on Facebook and has an "inspirational video" on [YouTube](#).

US snowboarder Louie Vito used Twitter to declare the rooms at the Olympic village "cool" although he said they "forgot TVs."

Angela Ruggiero of the US women's hockey team told nearly 35,000 followers of her [Twitter](#) account -- @angelaruggiero -- the Olympic village was "awesome."

The International Olympic Committee has also embraced [social networking](#) and its official [Facebook](#) page about the Winter Games attracted its one millionth fan this week.

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