



The Newfoundland and Labrador Snowmobile Federation investing \$200,000 directly into trail development and enhancements this summer.

During our Presidents meeting this past weekend the Newfoundland and Labrador Snowmobile Federation (NLSF) announced that it would be investing \$200,000 dollars directly into trail development and enhancements this summer. Funds will be shared equally between all clubs across the island with \$30,000 going directly into bridging materials. Through fundraising efforts and the sale of local trail enhancement stickers most clubs generally match any funds from the NLSF dollar for dollar. This means potentially \$400,000 or more could be invested in our trail systems this summer.

With this investment, there's a substantial opportunity to make significant improvements to trail infrastructure and enhance the overall trail experience for both snowmobilers, ATV riders and all users. This plan also demonstrates a commitment by the NLSF to improve trail infrastructure and ensure that trails meet appropriate standards to allow grooming earlier with limited snow levels and to also allow for accessibility and safety for ATV riders and other trail users.

Investing in trail enhancements and development offers numerous benefits to snowmobilers, ATV riders, communities, or anyone using our trail system.

Full news release: <https://nlsf.org/pdfs/Trail-Development-News-2024.pdf>

Grateful thanks to our pass holders for another snowmobiling season.

As another season on the snow comes to a close, we wanted to take a moment to extend our heartfelt thanks to each and every pass holder. Even with the season being short with low snow cover in some areas your passion for snowmobiling and support of the NLSF has made this season another great one.

Throughout the winter months, we hope you enjoyed smooth trails, breathtaking scenery, and forged unforgettable memories. But as the snow begins to melt and spring emerges, our focus shifts towards maintaining the trails for the seasons ahead.

One of the highlights for us this past season was having the opportunity to host the Canadian Council of Snowmobile Organizations spring meeting in March. This gave us the opportunity to showcase our beautiful trails and gave representatives from all provinces across the country a taste of the Newfoundland hospitality we are so famous for.

We're excited to announce that during the off-season, we'll be organizing trail maintenance activities to ensure that our routes remain safe and enjoyable for everyone. Whether it's clearing debris, repairing signage, fixing bridges, grading or improving trail conditions, there will be plenty of opportunities for us to come together and give back to the trails that have given us so much joy. And while we bid farewell to this snowmobile season, we eagerly anticipate the warmer months ahead, where we can dust off our ATVs and continue exploring the great outdoors and our beautiful province. With the same spirit of camaraderie and adventure that defines our snowmobile season, we look forward to you embarking on new adventures and creating lasting memories on four wheels.

Once again, thank you for your unwavering support and enthusiasm throughout the season. Together, we've made this winter one for the books. Here's to many more thrilling rides and unforgettable moments in the seasons to come!

Bob Blundon, NLSF Chair



An advertisement for Irving Big Stop Restaurant. The top part has the Irving logo and the text "BIG STOP Restaurant". Below that, it says "Warm up with a homestyle meal on any trail you travel". The main image shows a plate of breakfast food: two sunny-side-up eggs, a pile of golden-brown hash browns, several strips of cooked bacon, and two slices of ham. At the bottom, there is a yellow banner with the text "Stop by any of our locations:" followed by a list of locations: "Clarenville | Deer Lake | Gander | Goobies | Donovan's (Mount Pearl)". Below the banner is the website "irvingoil.com" and social media icons for Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter.

2024 Trail Pass Report

Our vendors are currently working on getting their packages sent into the office. Until all of these are returned we won't know our final numbers. However, at this time it appears that sales may be down a little from the last several seasons. Many factors can have an effect on pass sales and the weather has certainly been a big one. We strive to offer the best product possible and need the continued support of our snowmobiling community to do so. With that being said we would like to give a big thank you to our clubs, vendors and of course our trail pass holders. We couldn't do it without you!

Submitted by Tara Howell



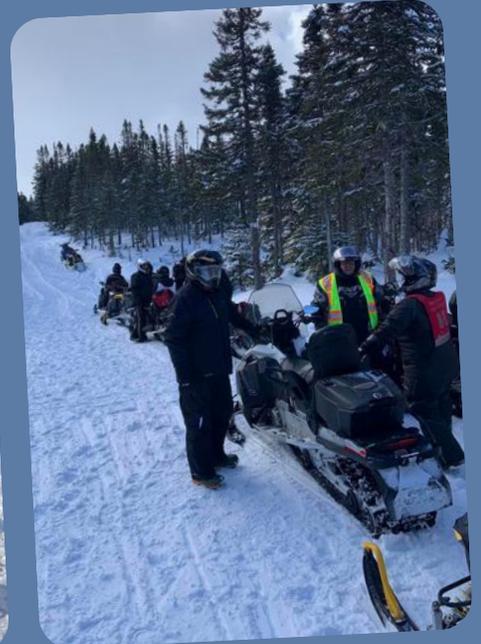
NLSF CLUBS GIVE BACK TO COMMUNITY

Each year, NLSF member clubs generate remarkable funds for charities across the island. Standout events this season encompassed Snowarama, Share the Love Ride, and the Shiver Shack Challenge.



SNOWARAMA

Organized by the Western Sno-Riders (WSR), individuals participated in a snowmobile excursion aimed at fundraising for Easter Seals NL. The organization is dedicated to enabling individuals with disabilities to lead fulfilling, healthy, and engaged lives.



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SHARE THE LOVE RIDE

The Bay St. George Snowmobile Association organized a snowmobile outing to benefit the Guardian Angels, a support group dedicated to assisting vulnerable seniors in Stephenville. With over 100 volunteers, the group offers local seniors services such as hot meals, snow removal, wood delivery, and any other assistance they may require.



The Shiver Shack Challenge is a friendly competition aimed at determining which club can muster the most sleds to the Shiver Shack warm-up shelter. Organized jointly by the Western Sno-Riders (Corner Brook) and Bay St. George Snowmobile Association (Stephenville), this year's event lent support to the Kidney Foundation. With live music and a BBQ each year, the challenge not only fosters community unity but also raises awareness for a significant cause.

SHIVER SHACK CHALLENGE



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Congratulations to Chuck Burton, the winner of this season's 'Take A Friend Snowmobiling' photo contest!

With over 200 submissions, each image beautifully captured the snowmobiling product we have to offer in our province. Whether it's navigating groomed trails to reach pristine backcountry spots or sharing a traditional boil-up with family and friends, snowmobiling offers an unparalleled winter experience for all ages. It's truly one of the finest ways to discover the beauty of Newfoundland and Labrador during the winter months.



Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro reminds you to please

Make Every Ride A Safe Ride



- Ensure your snowmobile is working properly.
- Avoid riding along power lines and watch for guy wires.
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The Canadian Council of Snowmobile Organizations (CCSO) Annual Spring Meeting

In March, the NLSF hosted the Canadian Council of Snowmobile Organizations (CCSO) Annual Spring Meeting in Corner Brook. Representatives from snowmobile federations and associations across Canada gathered for this event.

We extend heartfelt thanks to Mayor Jim Parsons and the City of Corner Brook for their invaluable support, as well as to Hon. Gerry Byrne for joining us to address the group. Additionally, congratulations are in order for NLSF Chair, Bob Blundon, on his re-election as Vice President of the CCSO for another term.

The weekend proved successful with productive meetings, an enjoyable snowmobile ride, beautiful weather, and a traditional Newfoundland kitchen party to cap it off!



Thank you volunteers!

“Volunteers don’t get paid, not because they’re worthless, but because they’re priceless.” – Sherry Anderson

National Volunteer Week provides an opportunity to acknowledge the dedication of our volunteers. They are the backbone of the NLSF and its member clubs, propelling us toward success. Let’s express gratitude for their hard work in maintaining our trail system year after year – snowmobiling on the island wouldn’t be the same without their tireless efforts.



National Volunteer Week

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