

THAT'S A WRAP

A season that
went the distance





A SEASON TO REMEMBER

The 2025–26 season stands out for one reason: it just kept going. With steady snowfall and consistent conditions across much of the island, trails held up longer than usual and gave riders more time to explore and enjoy the season.

Groomer operators put in long hours, volunteers kept shelters maintained, and riders made the most of every opportunity to ride.

Trail pass sales remained strong, providing essential support for grooming, infrastructure, and continued system growth.

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- Avoid riding along power lines and watch for guy wires.
- Steer clear of high snow banks around overhanging power lines.
- Proceed slowly near utility workers, vehicles or equipment.
- Stay off the ice, including reservoirs and rivers near hydroelectric dams where ice is unstable.

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Snowmobiling? Mind the Line.

Electricity is everywhere you go, even if you're off the beaten path.

Look for hazards that can be harder to see in winter conditions. Be cautious of guy wires and avoid power line rights-of-way.

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CCSO 2026 AWARDS

Each year, the Canadian Council of Snowmobile Organizations (CCSO) recognizes individuals, families, clubs, and organizations that go above and beyond to promote and grow snowmobiling across Canada.

This year, members of Newfoundland's snowmobiling community were recognized for their leadership, time and contributions both on and off the trail.

Their efforts continue to strengthen clubs and support the future of snowmobiling in our province.

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AWARD WINNERS



SNOWMOBILIER OF THE YEAR

Rick O'Brien

Western Sno-Riders (WSR)



SNOWMOBILE FAMILY OF THE YEAR

The Young Family

Tableland Snowriders (TSR)

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RICK O'BRIEN

A lifetime of dedication.

A leader on and off the trails.

Recognizing a lifetime of dedication to snowmobiling, Rick O'Brien has been named **Snowmobiler of the Year** by the Canadian Council of Snowmobile Organizations (CCSO).

Rick's involvement in the sport spans decades. From his early days in racing to a long career in the industry, including his time as a district representative with BRP, he has played a key role in supporting and growing snowmobiling both locally and across the country.

A long-standing member of the Western Sno-Riders and current director with the NLSF, Rick continues to be actively involved in trail development, club initiatives, and provincial events. He is also widely known as a co-founder of Race on the Rock, where he still plays an important role each year.

Within the club, Rick is recognized for his dedication to trail work, spending countless hours clearing brush and maintaining safe trail corridors — earning him the nickname **"The Alder Assassin."**

Rick's passion, leadership, and commitment to the sport have made a lasting impact on the snowmobiling community in Newfoundland and Labrador.



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THE YOUNG FAMILY

A family legacy built on passion, hard work, and a love for the ride.

Recognizing a family whose dedication spans generations, the Young family has been named **Snowmobile Family of the Year** by the Canadian Council of Snowmobile Organizations (CCSO).

Snowmobiling has always been at the heart of the Young family. What began with Hemblah and Mabel Young sharing their passion with their children has grown into a multi-generation legacy rooted in riding, racing, and giving back to the sport. Today, Terry and Crystal Young, along with their sons Joey, Joshua, and Jeffrey, continue that tradition both on and off the trails.

For more than 25 years, the Young family has been dedicated members of the Tableland Snowriders, contributing countless hours to grooming, trail development, and club initiatives. Their commitment goes far beyond their local club, playing an active role in promoting snowmobiling across the province. As owners of two established snowmobile dealerships and through national exposure on SnowTrax, the Young family has helped showcase Newfoundland and Labrador's riding experience to a broader audience.

Now, the next generation is carving their own path, ensuring the family's passion for snowmobiling continues for years to come.



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REFLECTING ON THE SEASON

PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

Club leaders from across the province recently met in Grand Falls-Windsor for the annual Presidents Meeting, with conversations centered around the past season and preparations for the future.

From trail operations and infrastructure to club priorities and rider experience, the meeting provided an opportunity for clubs to share ideas and discuss what lies ahead.

These discussions continue to play an important role in guiding the direction of the federation and the trail system.



STRONG CLUBS. STRONG TRAILS. STRONG FUTURE.



We thank our clubs for the time, hard work and commitment they continue to bring each season. Your efforts are the foundation of everything we achieve as a federation.



We also thank Miranda Maddox, Manager of Regional Economic Development with the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador, for joining us and sharing program information with the group.



LOOKING AHEAD

While the snow is gone, planning for next season is already in motion.

- ✓ Clubs will soon begin preparation work across the province.
- ✓ Projects will include trail clearing, bridge and culvert work, signage installation and other important infrastructure improvements.
- ✓ Your continued support and involvement make all of this possible.
- 👥 **Get involved. Make a difference.**
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