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Thunder Bay Adventure Trails

- Club Update



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Trail Report

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Where is the snow??

After a very mild November the cold weather is great for freezing swamps and creeks but we are hopeful that Mother Nature will soon bring us some significant snowfall to allow trail grooming operations to begin. The groomers are ready to go and most trail signage and brushing has been completed.

The Club is excited to announce that the TOP 'A' East Trail toward Nipigon will be open from a new staging area located at the overflow parking lot at Mt. Baldy Ski Area. A groomed trail will be implemented beginning at the ski area this year. The trail will run east on the pipeline corridor and then turn north to Magone Rd. where it will follow Magone Rd. to Escape Lake Rd., Greenwich Lake Rd, Wolf

Lake Rd. and Wolfpup Rd.

After diligent work by club volunteers, a groomed trail is also expected to be open from Balsam St. to the Mt. Baldy Ski Area. The owner of Suny's on Balsam St. has graciously offered to host a staging area at that location. Many thanks to the City of Thunder Bay - Parks Division and the other landowners for their support to allow this trail to happen.

All trails west of Kakabeka Falls towards Shabaqua, Kashabowie, Gunflint Lake, and the Pigeon River area are expected to be open this year. Adrian Lake Rd. on the "A" trail west of Kakabeka Falls will be closed due to logging activities therefore only the bypass route will be open. Logging activities will also be present on the



109M trail toward Pigeon River.

For those who are waiting for snow to buy their permit, trail permit prices for this year are:

Full Season - \$250

3-Day Permit - \$100

7-Day Permit - \$140

Classic Permit - \$125

The classic permit is available through the NOSSA district office only for sleds 1995 and older.

Permits are available at the regular outlets which are listed on our website and in the left hand column of this newsletter.

Permits are also available online at:

www.ofsconlinepermits.ca

Trail Projects and Volunteer Opportunities

Work continues to re-establish a connection between Thunder Bay and Kakabeka Falls.

Work also continues to establish a trail to bridge the remaining 13 km to connect the 109M trail to the Pigeon River Border Crossing.

Please contact Thunder Bay Adventure Trails at tbat_den@hotmail.com or 939-7533 if you are interested in helping out in any way from trail brushing and signage to marketing and meeting with landowners and other stakeholders.

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