

2020 Federal “Go Snowmobiling Ride”

New Brunswick’s northeast – Neguac – was the region chosen for the New Brunswick Federation of Snowmobile Clubs (NBFSC) on their annual Federal “Go Snowmobiling Ride” in March of 2020.



Riding with the NBFSC were New Brunswick M.P.’s Pat Finnigan, the Honorable Ginette Petitpas-Taylor and Rene Arsenault. Other guests were Mr. Francis McGuire, President of the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency, Pat Hicks of Yamaha Motor Canada, Prince Edward Island Snowmobile Association President, Dale Hickox and PEISA supporter Andre Yoston. Mayor Georges Savoie of Neguac joined us for lunch and welcomed all the guests to his community.



Club volunteers also assisted us; Past Club President Jules Breau and current Club Secretary, Hermengilde Patrice of Le Club Autoneige de Neguac rode with the M.P.'s all afternoon. This amazing turnout is in no small part due to the success of our four previous Federal "Go Snowmobiling Rides" first held in 2017. In 2017 the NBFSC was the very first snowmobile association in Canada to host a "Go Snowmobiling Ride" with Members of our Canadian Parliament.



Pat Finnigan, the M.P. for Miramichi – Grand Lake hosted our 2020 event and worked diligently to encourage his colleagues to join us. Pat has been on previous rides with us and was very proud to host the 2020 Ride in his riding, in Neguac.



Our long time Member Club - Le Club Autoneige de Neguac Inc. – did an excellent job of preparing their Local trails as well as NBFSC Provincial Trail #48. At our rest stop, *Dave's Shelter*, on Trail #515 they had a local group meet us and also had their Club's Tucker Sno-Cat on display for the M.P.'s to view.



The NBFSC's "Go Snowmobiling Rides" have been in place for over 15 years now, and these do not happen without the broad support of multiple partners & friends. The International Snowmobile Manufacturer's Snowmobile Association (ISMA) developed the 'Take a Friend, Go Snowmobiling Rides'. The NBFSC adopted this concept early and has hosted at least one ride every season. In 2012 ISMA awarded the NBFSC with the 'top ride' in Canada for our Provincial Rides. In 2020 we have been recognized again by ISMA for our hosting each season of both a successful Provincial and Federal Government event.





The NBFSC would also like to thank some of our gracious Corporate Partners who we rely upon to host these events. Thank you also to West End Sports, Yamaha Dealer (Guy), Hawkin's Equipment (John) Polaris Dealer, Patterson's Equipment (Bob), for Arctic Cat, JT Motorsports (Daren) and all the New Brunswick Ski-Doo dealers. Each season we also have continuous support from Choko Design and 509 for many of the clothing items we wear and supply to our guests. The support annually received from Arctic Cat, BRP Ski-Doo, Polaris and Yamaha allow us to have snowmobiles for our guests each season.

