

*MIRAMICHI CROSS COUNTRY SKI CLUB*  
*New Brunswick Cup Race #1*  
*Report*

Dear Members,

On February 9 2008, our Club hosted a provincial race for the New Brunswick Cup Series. This is the first of a kind for the last 10 years since the last race of the Fraser's Cup Series. We had 42 registered participants and 40 took part in the race. Many of our members took part of the race and a few won medals.

This race wouldn't have been possible without his dedicated volunteers. Many thanks to the following volunteers : Peter and Deana Gadd, Norm and Janis Brown, David and Debbie Sisk, Robert and Joyce Jones, Darren Simmie, Anne Gorges, Dana St.Germain, Burt Cain, Ove Samuelson, Bunny Dempsey, Gilles Chiasson, Denis St.Germain, Keith Dickson, Joey Doucet, and to the many that give us a little help to put things away. My sincere gratitude goes to our dedicated Grooming Team to get the trails in race shape.

Many thanks to the following individuals and organizations who provided us with some equipments; Edouard and Carole Daigle and Rheal Laviolette for the Timing, CCNB, DNR, the Miramichi Whitecaps for the hand clocks, 1st Gretna Green Venturers, and Herman Koops for the trails profiles.

CCNB is looking to put an annual race series again, and our Club will be likely involved in an annual event for years to come. We do have the expertise and facilities, but most importantly we will need volunteers to hold such events. We will be looking for your support.

In the afternoon, Biathlon NB held a biathlon demonstration with air rifle and about 30 participants tried out this sport. This draws many interests among our members, and we are in the process to begin an competitive biathlon air rifle program for next season. An information session for potential athletes, Parents, potential coaches and trainers is schedule for April 19 from 9 am til noon at the Atlantic Superstore Community room. Pre-registration is required. For anyone interested in attending, please register with Herman Koops at 623-8744 before April 5.

Many Thanks to Biathlon NB, Ray Kokkonen, Mike Lushington, Rheal Laviolette, Marc Levesque, and the NB Biathletes Team for this event.

Sincerely,

Yves St.Germain  
Race Chairperson  
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