

News Release

ONTARIO SUPPORTS BAXTER CONSERVATION AREA

RIDEAU VALLEY, January 25, 2010 — We offer a huge tip of the tuque to the Ontario Ministry of Health Promotion, to Faber Snowshoes and to Scouts Canada who recently got together with a community grant to purchase a class set of snowshoes for the Baxter Conservation Area. This busy outdoor education centre has Ottawa-area schoolchildren booked in January and February for outdoor lessons through active and interactive learning. We've found over the years that when the fun comes first, the learning comes naturally. Kids outdoors on snowshoes having active fun is the logical forerunner to solid environmental lessons.

Baxter is an ideal place for these types of activities: open fields for practice; then trail walking and talking for education and enjoyment. With over five km of forest and marsh trails, Baxter is a natural public area for many outdoor activities in any season.

"We are delighted to work with the Ontario Ministry of Health Promotion to encourage the health of Ontarians through active living. Also involved is the 27th Nepean Group of Scouts Canada, Faber Snowshoes and the Rideau Valley Conservation Foundation, all of whom are outstanding supporters of outdoor education. It is a pleasure to be able to offer another way for school children to use, enjoy and remember the Baxter area", says Area Manager Peter Goddard.

Baxter Conservation Area is on the Rideau River two km off Hwy 416 on Dilworth Road East. For more information or to book an education program for your class, please contact Peter Goddard at 613-489-3592 or peter.goddard@rvca.ca.

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