

Press Release

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RIDEAU CUP SLED DOG AND SKIJORING RACES POSTPONED DUE TO INSUFFICIENT SNOW!

“It is very disappointing that this event has to be cancelled for January 14th” stated Martyn Rennick, Race Marshall, “however, it would be unwise to allow these athletes and their dog teams to run on the trail with insufficient snow on the ground.”

The unseasonably warm weather predicted for this week and minimal snow fall has led volunteer organizers to make the decision to cancel the Rideau Cup Sled Dog and Skijoring races. Chair Brian Patterson also announced the volunteer training planned for Wednesday at the Newboro Hall will not be held. “We hope to run on an alternate date - February 25th. In that light, the volunteer training will take place on February 22, 7pm, in the Newboro Hall.”

“Folks planning on a country breakfast or roast beef dinner this weekend in Newboro are asked to keep their appetites for Saturday, February 25th when we’ll try again!”

The Rideau Cup Committee volunteers are disappointed with the lack of snow and the decision to postpone the race, however, February 25th may just be the ticket in 2012 for a successful date. The event, should the weather cooperate, will run with the same venue as planned for the 14th of January.

“We want to thank everyone for their support and hope the date change to February 25th will work.” stated Duane Ramsay, trail coordinator. “Please continue to monitor the Township’s website for updates and hope for snow!” The web site address is twprideaulakes.on.ca/dogsled