# The NORTH 100

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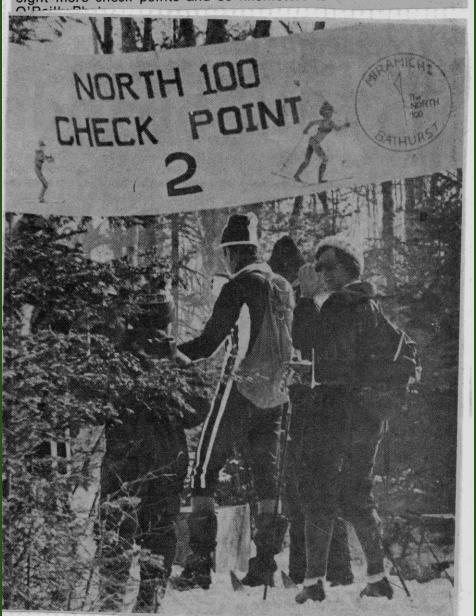
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## Eight more to go

This was the scene last Saturday at Check Point 2 on the North 100 Cross-Country Ski Marathon route. The marathon was the most successful to date, according to event organizers. These skiers had eight more check points and 80 kilometers to the finish line. Ed











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For 5 years the North 100 Marathon has given cross country skiers throughout the Maritimes an opportunity to ski some of New Brunswick's most scenic trails. One of the founding forces behind the Marathon, John Nimchuk shows off some of the "silver" which will be presented at this year's finale at Douglastown Community Centre on Sunday, February 27 with him are two unidentified Bathurst skiers. The two-day event

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The Miramichi Cross Country Ski Club was awarded the club participation trophy in the North 100 ski marathon on the weekend. From left, front, Chris Clark, Norman Brown, Betty Godin, Marcia Graham, Pat Sutherland, Aaron Trevors and Jarvis Hubbard; middle, Pat Curtis, Emile Boudreau,

Ulysse Robichaud, James Mutch, Andy Bean and Harold Piene; back, Dale MacCrae, Gunther Hoeksma, Rheal Thobodeau, Wolfgang Hoeksma and Vernon Goodfellow. (Photo courtesy of Norm Brown)





The Moosehead Cross Country Provincial Relay races were held on Sunday in Nordin. Four skiers who took part are Ray Thibodeau, Jan Truka, Norm

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Rain, the usual deterrant in any skiing activity, didn't affect the activity or attendance on the weekend at the local ski club.

The occasion was the official opening of the ski chalet of the Miramichi Cross Country Ski Club in Douglastown.

Officials taking part in the ceremony includws Maurice Dionne, MP for Northumberland-Miramichi; Charles Savoy, representing the Town of Chatham; and Warren Harris, Mayor of Douglastown.

Ray Thibodeau, president of the Miramichi Cross Country Ski Club, welcomed the guests. He described the club as offering something for every facet of community life.

Thibodeau expressed the club's gratitude to Mayor Harris for the generous assistance of Douglastown. The village has leased the land upon which the club rests and the trails for a 10-year period.

He also thanked Maurice Dionne

for the federal grant used to relocate and establish the club house.

The club was formerly set up on the land of Tom Preston, Old King George Highway, on the boundary of Newcastle and Nordin.

Dionne commended the MCCSC for its effort as a club of volunteers and for their encouragement of the area's youth.

Dionne, Harris and Savoy were presented with the crest of the Miramichi Cross Country Ski Club, as a souvenir of the afternoon.

To the amusement of all, Dionne promised that in the not too far future, he would put on a pair of skis, and let them all have a good laugh!

For the recreational skier, the club maintains good trails and a spot to rest after a ski.

For the youth, the club organizes, each year the Jack Rabbit Program as well as fun competitions which are open to all Miramichi youngsters.

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#### BY DAVID MEAGHER Staff Writer

DOUGLASTOWN - As many as 200 cross country skiers will put themselves to the dual tests of time and distance next month during the sixth-annual North 100, the 100-kilometre marathon between Bathurst and Douglastown.

The first leg of this year's race will begin at 8:30 a.m., Saturday, Feb. 16, at Rough Waters east of Bathurst.

Skiers will travel over prepared tracks passing through a variety of terrain including hills and flats roughly paralleling Highway 8 to Douglastown. The first leg's finishing line will be the Tabusintac airstrip, 9.8 kilometres north of

the starting line for the second leg at Greystone Park.

The second leg will begin Sunday. Feb. 17 at 8:30 a.m. and finish at the Douglastown Community Centre.

In the past, professional racers have completed the course in an average of seven hours, 20 minutes. Non-professionals have taken an average of 10-12 hours.

The Rough Waters Cross Country Ski Association, co-sponsor of the event with the Miramichi Cross Country Ski Club, will be distributing entry forms to cross country ski clubs across Atlantic Canada and former entrants by Monday. There is no entry deadline.

Entrance fees are \$12 for adults, \$6 for children less than 16 years old and \$20 for four-person teams.

Entrants are required to have skis, poles, bindings, boots and wax.

To ensure safety, organizers will have established checkpoints every 10 kilometres along the route. At each checkpoint will be hot and cold beverages, St. John Ambulance personnel and vans available to transport weary participants.

Organizers will also have a patrolman on the course behind the contestants to ensure stragglers aren't left behind.

Entrants may ski as little as 8.6 kilometres, the distance from the start line on Saturday to the first

check point. Those completing at least one leg will receive a North 100 pin or crest.

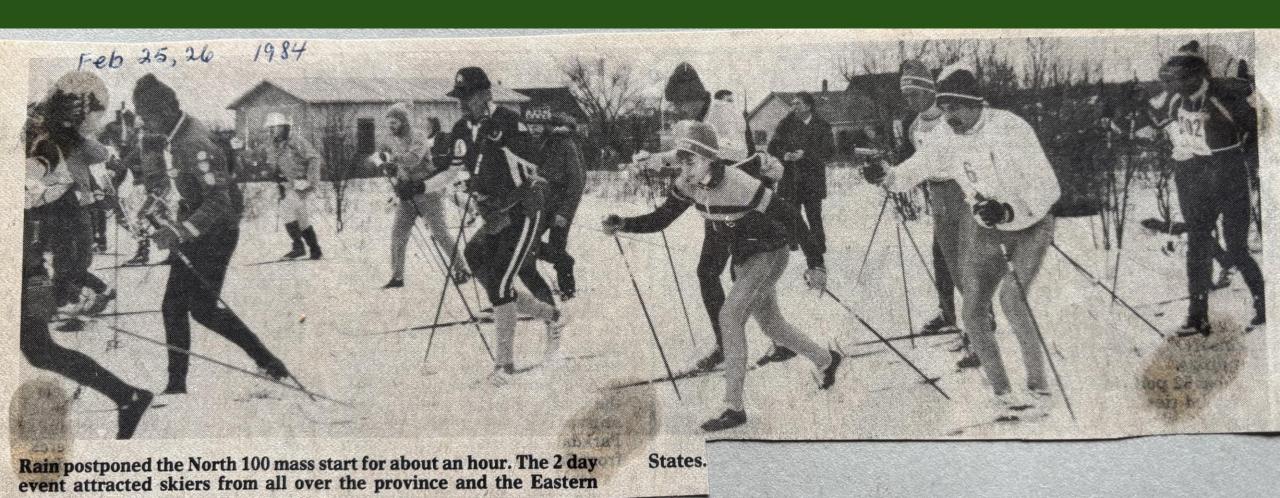
Awards will be handed out at a ceremony Sunday evening at the Douglastown Community Centre in the following categories: best club (to the club with the largest number of finishers); best family (to the family skiing the most legs); youngest finisher; oldest finisher; first finisher (male); and first finisher (female).

Gold, silver and bronze medals will be awarded for distance achievements.

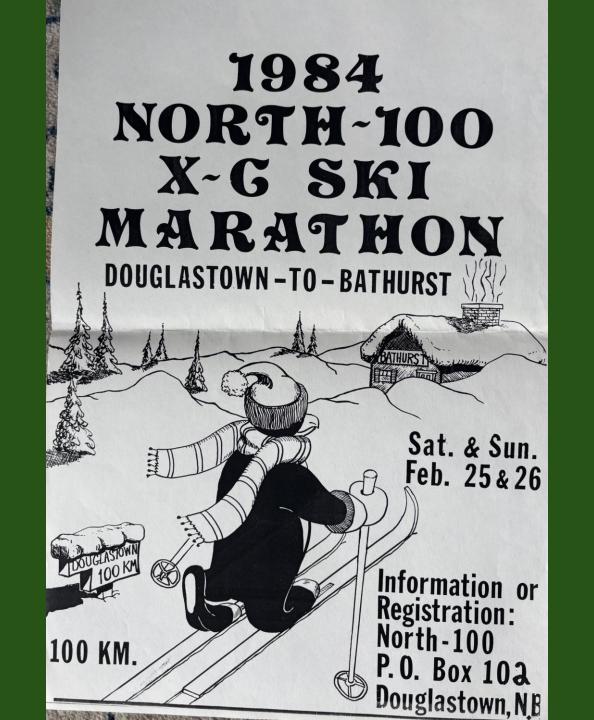
Trophies will be given for the best four-person school team and the best overall four-person team.

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years, 17-29 years and 30 years and older.







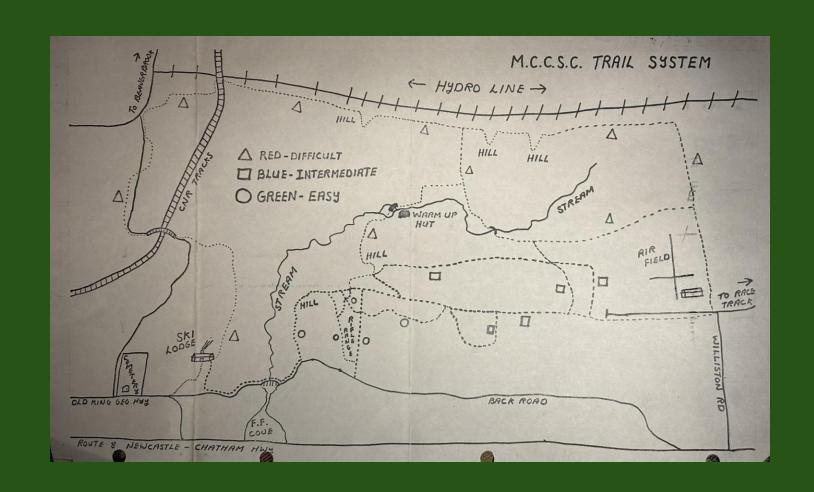


# On the North 100 at forty below

Nonne Wales of Fredericton fired the gun that sent 220 cross country skiers on their way Saturday morning. NORTH 100 was the name for the 100 kilometer trek from Bathurst to Douglastown. Ms Wales of Fredericton is New Brunswick chairman of the Canadian Ski Assn. Beside her is John Nimchuk of Chatham, president of North 100, and skier No 100 is Ray Burke of Bathurst, secretary for the event.

Centre photo shows some of the skiers on the trail. On the right, Dave Ophel of Fredericton stops for a drink of honey and hot water. This was the beverage served at check points along the route. In a draw, Dave won a new pair of skis.





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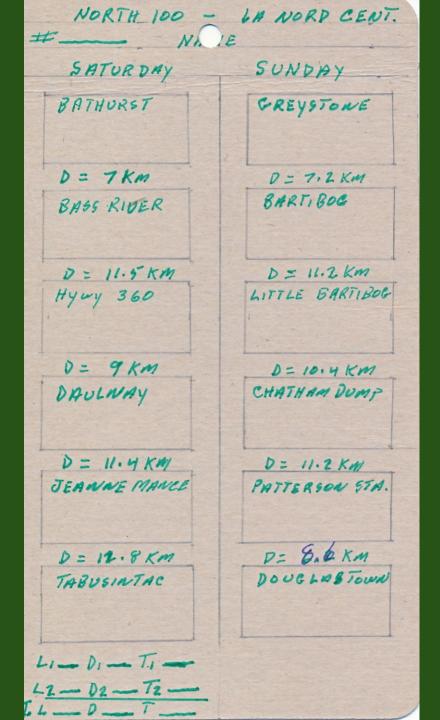
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# North 100 26-27 Feb 1983 Bathurst - Douglastown

1st Place Team.



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January 8, 1978

Welcome to the NORTH 100! Thank you for your interest, and we look forward to seeing you Saturday morning, January 21, at the starting point: the Rough Waters Community Center, anytime from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

The community center is not too hard to find. Look for the East Bathurst Church, at the corner of Miramichi Avenue and Rough Waters Drive. Drive west on Rough Waters Drive approximately 3 miles and you will arrive at the community center, a converted schoolhouse.

You can also figure your route from the enclosed Bathurst city map, which shows the main highways and streets, the location of motels, and also the Winterpark where you are welcome to ski. The park is less than a mile from downtown.

You have no doubt noticed that your numbered bib is <u>not</u> enclosed. We have the bibs, but they came from the manufacturer yesterday without the cloth ties attached. So we are sewing like mad!

The bib will be available to you at the community center Saturday morning, Jan. 21. Please note that <u>your bib number</u> is the number shown beside your name on the enclosed list of marathon entries.

We are sending you a full list of entrants because you might want to get together with someone to share transportation and accommodations.

Also please note that we, the four members of the executive of the NORTH 100 will be wearing bibs #50, #100, #150, and #200. Please talk to us if you get a chance and give us your suggestions, complaints, recommendations, etc. This is our first marathon, and we need to hear from you about those things that might stand improvement.

Thanks again for entering. The support has been terrific.

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# THE NORTH 100

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21 & SUNDAY, JANUARY 22, 1978

#### WHAT IS THE NORTH 100?

It is a two-day skiing event (Jan. 21-22) on a prepared course of 100 kilometers (62 miles) that runs southward from Bathurst to the Miramichi River at Douglastown, passing through some of the most interesting winter terrain in New Brunswick. The project is sponsored jointly by the Miramichi Cross-Country Ski Club and the Bathurst Cross-Country Ski Assoc. Incorporated. It is primarily a marathon, not a racing event.

#### HOW FAR DO I HAVE TO SKI?

You can ski as little as five miles, the distance from the Start Line to the first checkpoint, or you can ski the entire 100 kilometers. The first half of the course will be open Saturday and the second half on Sunday.

(As an encouragement to those who will be entering a marathon for the first time, an attractive NORTH 100 woven crest will be presented to all skiers arriving at Checkpoint #1.)

#### IS THE TRAIL WELL-MARKED AND SAFE?

Participants will be provided with good maps and the trail will be very well marked. There are numerous checkpoints along the route. The Armed Forces will be providing excellent backup, including helicopter overflights and personnel with radio gear at the major checkpoints. The RCMP and the N.B. Department of Transportation are also involved.

The trail will be closed a section at a time as the skiers go through and a follow-up crew will then "sweep" the trail to be sure everyone is accounted for. The trail runs parallel to Highway #8 which is the main north-south highway. It is also the road along which our free bus service will operate.

#### HOW MANY PEOPLE WILL BE TAKING PART?

Participation in the NORTH 100 will be limited to the first 200 entry forms received. By putting this limit on the marathon we can assure you that the event will run smoothly. Last-minute entries will not be accepted. THE DEADLINE FOR RECEIVING ENTRIES IS JANUARY 4, 1978.

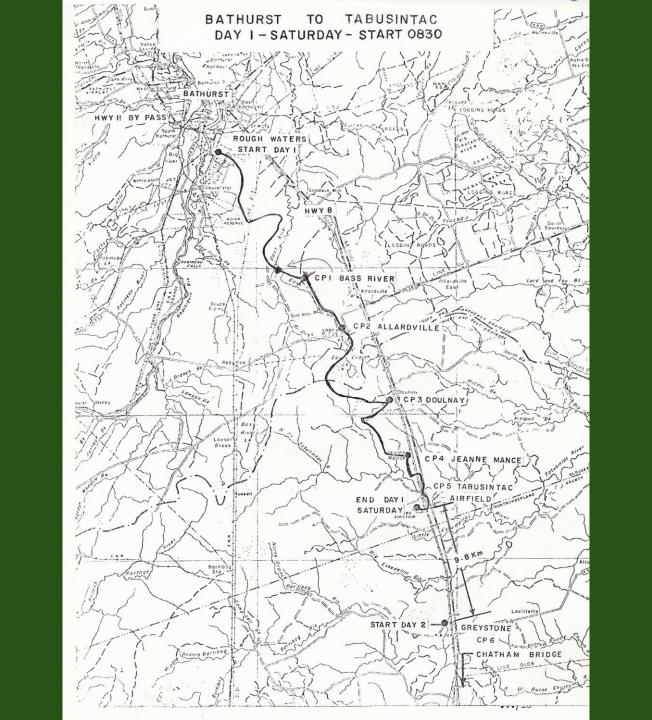
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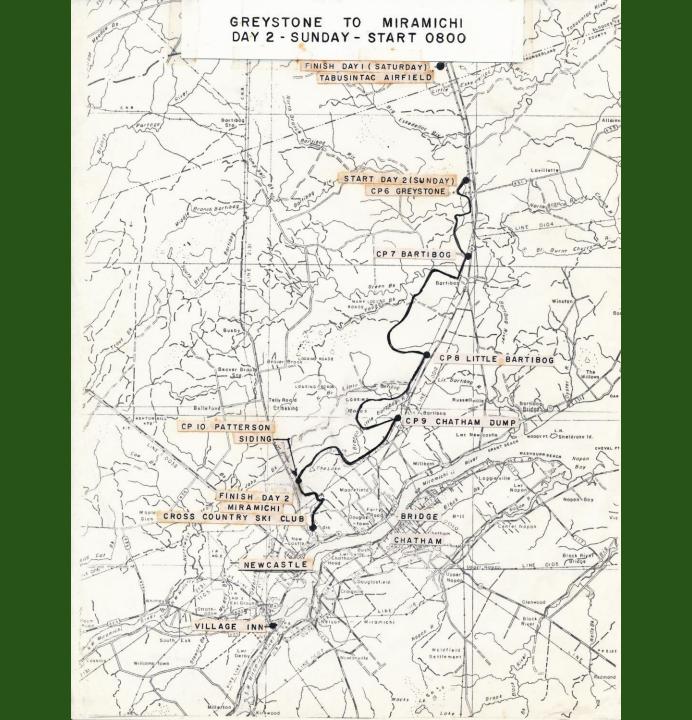
- 1. NORTH 100 CRESTS (presented at Checkpoint #1)
- 2. CLUB TROPHY to the club with the largest number of finishers
- 3. FAMILY TROPHY to the family group skiing the largest total kilometers
- 4. YOUNGEST FINISHER TROPHY 5. OLDEST FINISHER TROPHY
- 6. FOUR-MAN TEAM TROPHY total km skied, or fastest time if a tie.
- 7. GOLD MEDAL for completing 100 kilometers
- 8. SILVER MEDAL for completing 90 kilometers
- 9. BRONZE MEDAL for completing 80 kilometers

Presentations will be made at the Awards Supper, 5:00 p.m., Douglastown Community Center

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Lower photo shows Toby Graham receiving the trophy as the oldest skier to complete the 100 kilometers. Toby, 57, represents New Brunswick in the Canadian Cross Country Ski Assn. The trophy was presented by Bill Ives of the Royal Bank, Bathurst.





BILL TIMMIS of Bathurst presents the Canadian Tire Trophy to Mary Ann Schwartz, president of the Bathurst Cross Country Ski Club. This Club had the largest number of entrants from one club in the NORTH 100. Also in the photo is Jos Reynhoudt manager of Canadian Tire at Bathurst and the secretary of the Bathurst club. MICHAEL LELCAIR of Charlo, age 13, won the trophy as the youngest skier to complete the 100 kilometers. The trophy awarded by the medical association of Bathurst was presented by Dr Wright.

# 220 skiers NORTH 100



Of 220 starters, 59 cross country skiers completed the North 100. This was despite a wind-chill factor that reached 40 below on Sunday. The thermometer reached -14.4 Sunday and winds gusted to 45 knots. This indicated a wind-chill factor equal to -40; this reading is the same on the Celsius and Fahrenheit scale. It was cold! Toby

Graham is seen here at one of the check points along the route. A resident of Fredericton, Toby is New Brunswick cross country chairman of the Canadian Ski Assn. At the Sunday evening banquet in Douglastown Village Hall, Toby was presented with the trophy as the oldest skier to complete the 100 kilometers. Mr Graham is 57.

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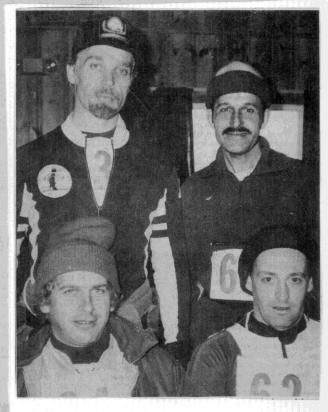
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This year the North 100 will be the one and only Canadian Ski Association sanctioned two-day marathon in New Brunswick, all due to weather.

Entries, currently coming in slow but surely, will be accepted until an hour before the start of each day's course.

Inflation hasn't hit the registration fees from last year. For adults, it is \$12.

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"A skier doesn't have to ski the whole distance," says co-ordinator, Me Soicher, "We want people to ski what they feel they can handle. If you ski one leg of the marathon, you will receive a participation pin. As in past years, the emphasis is on participation!"

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