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## Happy New Year from the Trans Canada Trail

As we begin the New Year, Trans Canada Trail is pleased to send our new *Trail Talk*. It will now be distributed monthly to supporters, partners and trail users, bringing the latest news about Trail developments and our many exciting activities across Canada.



Winter is a magical time on the Trans Canada Trail, offering countless outdoor experiences in urban, rural and wilderness settings. I urge you to get out and enjoy the Trail. Take a look at this month's *Featured Sections of the Trail* for a glimpse of what awaits you.

Let me take this opportunity to wish you and your family all the best for 2009. We look forward to your continued support!

*Deborah Apps*  
 President and CEO

## Olympic Torch to Travel the Trail

Olympic Torch Relay organizers announced in November that the Torch will pass through 1020 Canadian communities. More than 270 of these are on or near the Trans Canada Trail. ([More](#))

Photo: [Pavilion \(North Vancouver\)](#)



## New NS Trails Feature Scenic Coastal Vistas

Cape Breton Island is renowned for its wild beauty. Now Trans Canada Trail users can experience this beauty first hand. In October, Trans Canada Trail and Nova Scotia Trails Federation celebrated the opening of three new sections of Trans Canada Trail, from Port Hastings to Inverness in western Cape Breton.

"We are proud that these three magnificent trail sections are now part of the Trans Canada Trail," said Board Chair Valerie Pringle. ([More](#))

Photo: [Trail and Pavilion Opening](#)



## Cross Canada Walker Completes Year One

## of Epic Journey

In late fall, a Prince George forester completed the first section of his epic walk across Canada on the Trans Canada Trail. After a 186-day, 2630-kilometre journey on foot across Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia and most of New Brunswick, Dana Meise reached Hartland, NB where he was greeted by Trans Canada Trail President and CEO Deborah Apps, New Brunswick Trails Council Executive Director Poul Jorgensen and admiring friends. ([More](#))



Photo: [Dana Meise](#)

## Enjoy Winter on the Trans Canada Trail Visit this month's featured sections

### Stunning Nature Walk in the City

Ratray Marsh is an "environmental gem" on the Waterfront Trail in Mississauga, just west of Toronto. This lakefront wetland area is home to numerous rare bird species, along with deer, beaver, rabbits, foxes and turtles. The last waterfront marsh between Oshawa and St. Catharines, it's well worth the short drive from the city to explore this section of Trans Canada Trail! ([More](#))



Photo: [Ratray Marsh](#)

### Quebec Trail Offers Snowshoeing Paradise

In winter, the forest is magical and the river brilliant. It is no surprise that the Sentier des Caps de Charlevoix has earned the reputation as the # 1 snowshoeing destination in Quebec and one of the most popular skiing and winter hiking spots. This Trail is one of the most magnificent parts of the Trans Canada Trail in Quebec. ([More](#))



Photo: [Sentier des Caps de Charlevoix](#)

### Saskatoon Trail Popular for Winter Activities

The Meewasin Valley Trail follows the South Saskatchewan River through the heart of Saskatoon. This section of the Trans Canada Trail offers a range of winter activities including sledding, snowboarding and cross-country skiing on winter trails, along with walking, running and rollerblading on cleared paths. An outdoor rink offers skating at no charge (for entry or skates): It attracts more than 12,000 skaters annually from Saskatoon and around the world. ([More](#))



Photo: [Meewasin Valley Trail](#)

## New Pavilions Recognize Trail Supporters

2008 was a banner year for Trans Canada Trail pavilions. Seven new pavilions, with over 5,000 donor inscriptions, were unveiled. The pavilion openings attracted premiers and politicians, celebrities and community leaders, trail builders and trail users. At every location, there was



enthusiastic praise for the hundreds of local trail builders and the thousands of generous trail supporters.

There are now 86 Trans Canada Trail pavilions which recognize the generosity of over 100,000 trail supporters. ([More](#))

[Photo: NB Premier Shawn Graham \(right\) enjoys a walk on the Trail](#)

## Visit us at the Outdoor Adventure Show

Trans Canada Trail will be at the 2009 Outdoor Adventure Shows in Vancouver, Toronto and Calgary. Drop in and see us! Come and hear the latest news about the Trail.

**February 14-15**  
Vancouver, BC Place Stadium

**February 20-22**  
Toronto, The International Centre

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