



Dear Tri-Communities residents and Saskatchewan ski enthusiasts,

The La Ronge Nordic Ski Club is a non-profit organization whose goal is to get people active in the outdoors through skiing and assist in the development of young athletes. We believe that skiing should be accessible to all, no matter one's economic backdrop, and that skiers in the Tri-Communities should have access to first-class, safe and regularly groomed trails.

While we have put on high-quality ski programs and events for many years, there are always things we aim to improve on. We need your help in pursuing these goals and your donation would go a long way in helping us deliver the best possible experience for skiers in our community and helping youth members achieve their goals. Our club has been approved for a project with the National Sport Trust Fund, which is an organization that will receive donations on behalf of the club and distribute tax receipts for qualifying donations.

We are currently undertaking a number of large projects that your donation would go towards:

1. New trail maintenance machine (\$31,900.00) – Club volunteers dedicate roughly 500 hours each year towards maintenance of a 50km ski network. This work involves chainsawing and brushcutting in the fall, as well as packing, levelling and setting tracks in winter. While the majority of ski clubs in Canada have their own trail maintenance equipment, our club currently relies on the towing machines of volunteers, which the club is no longer finding sustainable. By purchasing the club's own equipment – a quad with tracks and grooming capabilities – we will be able to increase the size of our trail crew by not requiring volunteers to provide their own equipment, as well as improve the overall quality of the local ski network.
2. New 7ft wide grooming drag (\$10,500.00) – To further improve the quality of our local ski network we plan to purchase a wider modern grooming drag for both classic and skate ski trails.
3. Youth skate skis (\$11,100.00) – One of our guiding principles it to make skiing as accessible as possible for youth and reducing barriers to the sport. Ski equipment is expensive and many families in Northern Saskatchewan aren't in a financial position to buy skis. With the purchase of 20 sets of skate skis (skis, boots, bindings, poles) to lend participants, we will ensure that more kids can take part in the sport and enjoy being active in the outdoors.
4. Seacan storage container (\$8,600.00) – In order to keep equipment secure year-round, the club will be purchasing a seacan container to store equipment.
5. If the club is successful in meeting its fundraising goals, any additional funds will be used towards maintaining and improving the local trail network.

If you are interested in contributing to these initiatives, please see the attached donor form (our project number is SK:25:001) or donate online at <https://www.sasksport.ca/donate/national-sport-trust-fund/> and find "La Ronge Ski Club Youth Programming & Trails Maintenance". If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the club and we will be happy to provide you with further information about how you can support our efforts. Our email is [larongenordic@gmail.com](mailto:larongenordic@gmail.com).

We greatly appreciate your support and look forward to continuing to serve you and the local ski community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Matt Mazurik".

Matt Mazurik  
Director of Communications

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "M. Koebernick".

Matt Koebernick  
President

# **Information for Donors**

## **Tax Credits:**

Did you know that Saskatchewan residents can get up to a 43.5% tax credit on qualifying charitable donations? You can calculate how much of a tax rebate you will be eligible for at <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/tax-time/>

## **Issuance of Tax Receipts:**

A tax receipt will be emailed to the donor immediately after it has been processed if the donation was made online. A tax receipt will be mailed to the donor in January of the following taxation year if the donation was made by mail and cheque. Donors that would prefer their receipts earlier can indicate their request on the donor form.

## **Recognition:**

Donors (including corporate grants/sponsorships, businesses, and individuals) will be recognized on a permanent 8ft x 4ft recognition wall at the Don Allen Trails (Bronze \$250+, Silver \$1,000+, Gold \$5,000+, and Platinum \$10,000+).

## **Combined Family Donations:**

If family members wish to pool their efforts to make a larger single donation (for example recognized as "The Johnson Family") this is permitted and encouraged. Please notify the club if you would like to combine family donations for the donor recognition wall.

## **Businesses:**

A business is eligible for tax receipts as well! If you would like to make a contribution through a business, the donation should be made through a cheque with the business's name on it.

## **National Sport Trust Fund Information:**

As a member of the Canadian Council of Provincial and Territorial Sport Federations (CCP&TSF), Sask Sport administers the Saskatchewan branch of the National Sport Trust Fund. This fund supports the development of amateur sport on a nationwide basis by providing funds to approved projects across the country. As the provincial fund manager, Sask Sport approves projects, receives donations and allocates grants to approved projects in Saskatchewan. The CCP&TSF is a Registered Canadian Amateur Athletic Association (RCAAA) with the Canada Revenue Agency (#88938 6868 RR0001).



Canadian Council of Provincial & Territorial Sport Federations Inc.  
National Sport Trust Fund  
1870 Lorne Street, Regina, SK S4P 2L7

**DONOR FORM**

I am voluntarily and unconditionally donating the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to the National Sport Trust Fund administered by the Canadian Council of Provincial & Territorial Sport Federations Inc. (CCP&TSF), to benefit the development of amateur sport in Canada on a nation-wide basis. I understand that the CCP&TSF can direct my donation to an amateur sport cause of their choice; however my preference is that my gift be used to support the following cause:

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Consistent with the income tax interpretations of “qualifying donations”, this contribution is made voluntarily without any conditions and **no benefit will accrue to me (or related parties) as a result of my donation.** I confirm that this donation does not or will not reduce any obligation, directly or indirectly that I (or related parties) have for “non qualifying” expenses such as membership, training, or program registration fees, travel expenses or other like expenses that I would normally be required to pay to the recipient sport organization or any related or affiliated body. **I also understand that civil penalties can be imposed against me for the misrepresentations of tax matters.** Based on these facts, I understand that an official receipt for tax purposes will be issued.

NAME OF DONOR: \_\_\_\_\_  
(first name) (initial) (surname)

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ PROVINCE: \_\_\_\_\_ PCODE: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of donor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Donation date

**\*\*Please make cheques payable to the National Sport Trust Fund.**

- I do not wish to receive updates via email from the National Sport Trust Fund – Saskatchewan Chapter
- I wish to remain anonymous