

## NorState FCU's first 5k Winter Trek a successful fundraiser for Ending Hunger

**St. John Valley** – With over 45 registered snowshoe enthusiasts, NorState's first 5k Winter Trek got underway on Sunday, March  $4^{th}$ .

The fundraiser for the credit union's Ending Hunger Campaign raised \$2,953.00.

The Four Seasons Trails in Madawaska was an ideal venue for a successful first Winter Trek, along with mild temperatures, a sunny-filled day and perfectly groomed snowshoe trails. Walkers were encouraged to find sponsors and pre-register for a small fee

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Participants who bought in \$50 or more in sponsorships were given a free Winter Trek beanie, and an additional entry ticket into the grand prize drawing for a pair of Cabela Snowshoes, poles and carry bag.

Winner of the snowshoe drawing was Wayne Ayotte of Madawaska.

Two additional drawings were held for a free Winter Trek beanie. Winners were Debra Deprey of Winterville and Barbara Osgood of Madawaska.

Debra Deprey of Winterville, a NorState MSA raised the most sponsorship monies and was given a \$50 LL Bean gift card for her efforts.



NORSTATE 5K WINTER TREK WINNER: Pictured with his father's snowshoes, is Keith Ayotte. Keith is the son of Wayne Ayotte, who is the entry winner for the 2012 NorState 5k Winter Trek doorprize. -Cote Photo

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Winter Trekkers – A few of the NorState 5k Winter Trek walkers met up at an intersection of trails Sunday, during the Ending Hunger Fundraiser. All participants were complimentary of the great trail system and the participation.



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SISTER TREKKERS – Susan Desjardins and Shelly Sirois were two among several walkers on Sunday to help raise funds for Ending Hunger during the NorState 5k Winter Trek. The sisters are pictured with their beanies. Any registered walker raising over \$50 got a free beanie. -cote photo

## THANKS TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED, VOLUNTEERED AND/OR DONATED!