

# Funding for rural leadership

## Special

The Rural Communities Foundation of Nova Scotia is offering its third annual Rural Leadership Initiative grants.

Rural Leadership Initiative promotes rural leadership development in the process of serving community needs.

The intent of these grants is:

- to enhance leadership within rural communities.
- to develop skills relating to leadership capacity.
- to clearly identify and build on existing resources in the community.
- to increase the understanding of the impact of leadership on rural communities.

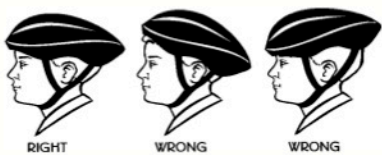
Applicants must be a registered charity (or be sponsored by one) and the program or service must relate to rural leadership, with a goal of enhancing leadership within rural communities.

The typical grant size varies between \$1000 and \$5000 for projects. \$15,000 in total has been allocated for the 2010 Rural Leadership Initiative granting program.

Applications will be accepted after September 30th until noon on October 31, 2010.

For an application form and guidelines for submission, or additional information on the Rural Communities Foundation of Nova Scotia, visit our website at <http://www.ruralcommunitiesfdn.ca/>.

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# End of another racing season

by Mona Anderson

I'm sitting in Paul Whitehead's shop in Nyanza. Paul is tinkering with a fairing for a new motorcycle he just bought. It's not a new bike, but that's what Paul calls it. New, as in new to the shop, new to him. We talk while he works, about bikes, about another season coming to a close, how the "new" bike worked this year. Today, he looks tired.

The 2010 season, comprised of 6 race weekends, is over. The Atlantic Racing League (ARL) series of 5 weekends, plus the Canadian Nationals, all run at Shubenacadie. Paul raced in two classes, finishing 5th overall in Sportbike, and 3rd overall in Superbike. He hoped to do better. But overall, he is satisfied with his results. The rest of the field are mostly 3rd year riders who continued to improve throughout the season, just as he did. He points to circumstances that can affect the outcome, like one race he shortcut to save his rain tires from a semi-dry track. That cost him valuable points.

Paul moved up to ProAm this year. He admits racing is tough at this level on a shoestring budget. Paul is his own engineer, coach, and pit crew. He has a full time job, a wife, family obligations, just like any regular guy. He doesn't complain. He is analytical about his chances. He's always up with the front runners and from long experience he knows consistency pays off. Paul is 46.

Paul is popular at Shubenacadie and it's easy to see why. He spends his free time cheering for other riders, giving tips, asking advice, helping the other guys get ready, and always with a thumbs up when they head out for their next run. He lives for racing. There's no mistake about that.

I asked him about the season over-

all, what was his best session, and his best memory. The final session, he said, on both counts. He got two podiums that weekend, and being the final race of the year it was the last chance to work and race alongside his friends/rivals. They have a lot in common by now, everyone ground down a bit from a tough hot summer, empty pockets, worn equipment, and the lingering knowledge that one of their

young proteges. Kenzie Timmins, and Crowdis Roberts showed real talent in their first appearances on the track. Paul is passionate that racing makes better drivers, teaching respect for the machines, the road conditions, and other riders. The track gives kids a place to go, to test their limits in a controlled environment. Paul hopes to pass on his knowledge, the importance of discipline, in a tough and sometimes dangerous sport.

For himself, he hopes to race a few more years, but his dream is to have a bike shop he could run full time, to devote himself totally to his sport. For now, he has a couple of new students on the horizon so he is content. Paul never fails to mention how much the support of family and friends means to him. He is especially grateful to his wife Tanis, who is a believer, and he continually points to his sponsors, for without them, racing, for Paul, would be impossible.

Those sponsors included D.W. Mathieson, Barra Construction, Can Test (Richard Herring), Tom's Pizza, Superport Marine, Scotch Hill Woodworking (Barry Gillis), Gillis Truckways, Baddeck Construction, MacKenzie Motorsport, Coxweld, Lloyd's Lobsters, Dan Chiasson, Vaughan & Donna Campbell, Kirk MacDonald, and Robin and Jackie Hartley.



Taking a tight turn, #31, Paul Whitehead of Nyanza, show's how it's done.

mates might not ride again. Charlie Legere, #9, broke his back in a crash. It's too soon to tell how well he will recover.

There were other casualties this summer, for different reasons. Ronnie MacLean, of Baddeck, didn't finish out the year as he had hoped. He opted to head west, as many young men do, to try for a better job, to reset his goals. Next year remains uncertain.

Paul looks to the future, gathering enormous satisfaction from his two

# Bell Bay's 2010 Ladies' Invitational

## Baddeck

Jodie Sanders of Dundee Golf Club took the 2010 Bell Bay Ladies Senior Invitational Championship with a strong score of 84 in windy conditions in Baddeck. Closely challenged by Bell Bay's Brenda McKellar, Sanders sealed her championship with a birdie on the closing hole 18th. Below are the results.  
**Overall Champion:** Jodie Sanders Dundee 84

## Championship Flight

### Place/Winner/Club/Score

1st Gross Brenda McKellar Bell Bay 86  
1st Net Diane Metz Bell Bay 64  
2nd Gross Therese Morrison Seaview 87

2nd Net Elaine Allison Bell Bay 71  
3rd Gross Leslie Pierpont Antigonish 88  
3rd Net Beth Gillis Bell Bay 77

## Flight A

### Place/Winner/Club/Score

1st Gross Heather Murrin Passchendaale 107  
1st Net Carol Sparks The Lakes 76  
2nd Gross Jacquie Moffatt Seaview 108  
2nd Net Elaine MacDonald Bell Bay 84@  
3rd Gross Ann Dunn Lingan 114  
3rd Net Sheila Durdle Lingan 84  
**Closest to Hole #8:** Therese Morrison Seaview  
**Closest to Hole #14:** Heather Murin Passchendaale

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