Craig Nicholson on ski prices, Rainbow Falls Park incidents

Editor's note: In response to recent letters to the editor, Craig Nicholson, author of the Intrepid Snowmobiler Column, has written a reply addressing two local issues.

I appreciate both your letters and the opportunity to reply. I apologize for the tardy response, but I was away snowmobiling.

Terrace Bay Ski Club

Certainly the initial cost of being outfitted for the sport of snowmobiling may be higher than skiing, although most snowmobilers keep their sleds for a number of years thereby amortizing this expense. Also, I had no intention of making a comprehensive sport-to-sport cost comparison for initiates to either sport in this article as that was not the point.

Please remember that the context is "the weekly newspaper column for snowmobilers", so I am writing primarily for those who are already into snowmobiling and have made their sled purchases. The point of this column was to persuade these local snowmobilers that they would be better off by joining an OFSC

club for a one time annual fee that compares very favourably with what it costs to participate in many other recreational activities including skiing.

That comment is no reflection on the relative merits of either sport and should not be construed as a put down of skiing. At no time did I say that downhill skiing was expensive. There's room on the snow for all of us—and snowmobilers breath that fresh air too.

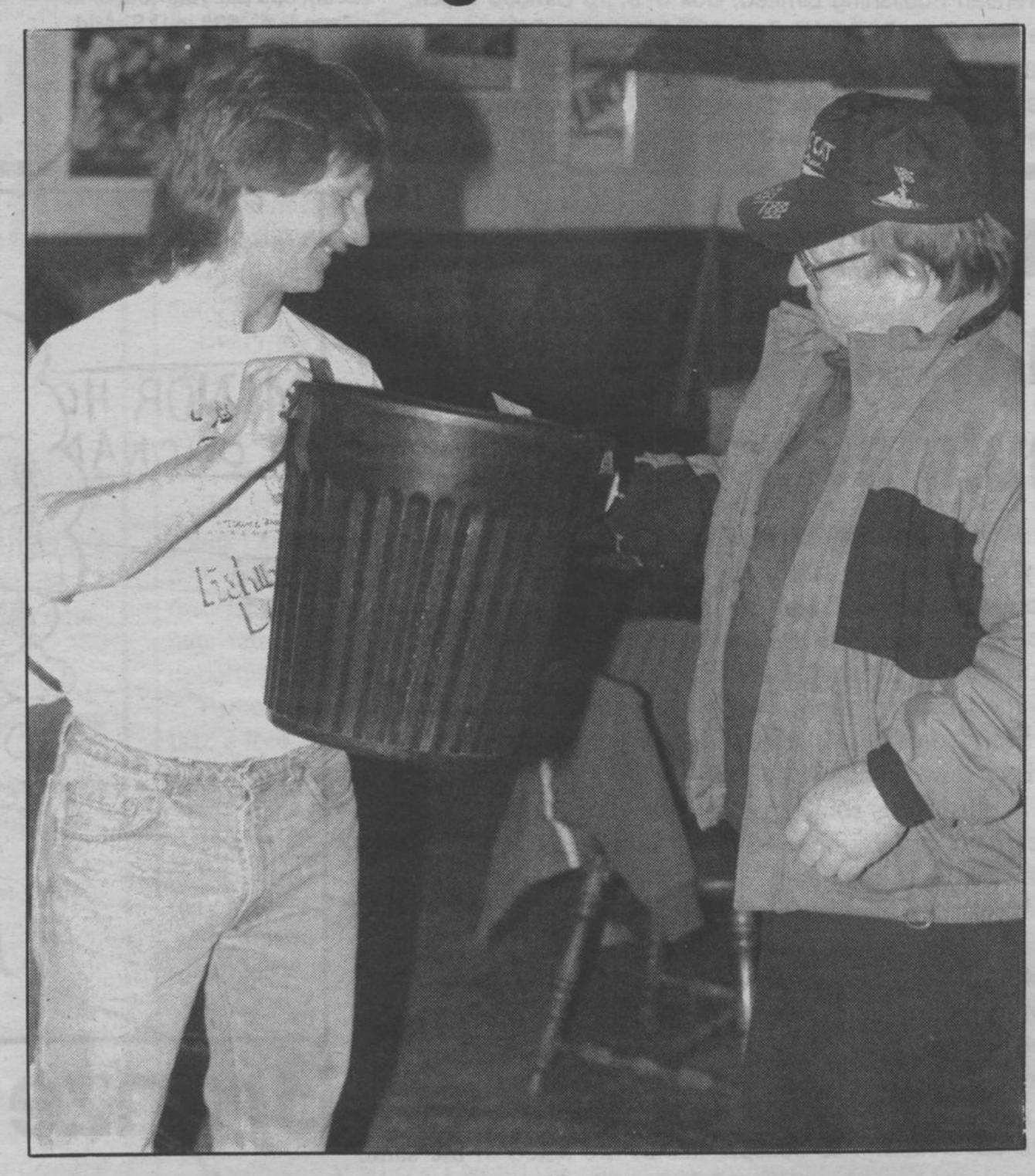
Rainbow Falls Provincial Park

Responsible snowmobilers can appreciate Mr. Scott's frustration as we have the same problem on snowmobile trails with ATV's and even other snowmobilers too cheap to pay their own way by purchasing an OFSC trail permit.

As to this specific problem, there probably is no 100 per cent satisfactory solution since irresponsible people will always make life difficult for the rest of us. However, I do suggest that Mr.

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And the big winner is ...



Terrace Bay Ski Club President Garry Richards (left) looks on as Lake Superior Family Snowgoers Snowmobile Club member Bob Jeffery picks the winner of the Ski Club's snowmobile raffle. Winner of a Lynx Mountain Cat with a double wide trailer—and a case of oil—was Kai Hamalainen of Thunder Bay. The club sold 597 of 1,000 tickets for the draw.

After 28 years, she's off to Eliot Lake



Staff members Ronkainen's Pharmacy (from left) Joann Bouvier, Doris Walton, Tarmo Ronkainen, Irene Duffy and Myrna Burrows said goodbye to Pam Jones (third from left), who's moving to Eliot Lake. Pam and her husband Patrick are retiring, and plan to spend winters in Florida and summers in Eliot Lake. The Joneses have lived in Terrace Bay for the last 28 years, and they leave behind a son, Steven, and a grandson, Aaron.



THANK YOU

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Residents of Terrace Bay and Schreiber are reminded to advance their clocks by 1 hour at 2:00 a.m. on Sunday, April 5, 1992.