

**SPECIAL
POINTS OF
INTEREST:**

- **FSANL AGM**
April 10 6:00-7:00 pm @the Glynmill Inn
- **FSANL Meet and Greet**
April 10 7:00-10:00 pm @ the Glynmill Inn
- **FSANL Conference April 11**
8:30-4:30 at the Corner Brook Civic Center
- **CBPPL Wellness Clinic May 11**
2-4 pm @ the CBPPL Clock Hall
- **Mental Health First Aid Course April 14 & 15 @ St. John Ambulance.** Call 634-7283 for more information
- **Important**
-Provincial fire season begins May 1.
Don't forget to get your operating permit.

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FSANL Health and Safety Conference

FSANL is pleased to announce the 7th Annual Health and Safety Conference in partnership with and Unifor Local 60N.

Come and join us at the Glynmill Inn on April 10 at 6:00 pm for our Annual General Meeting.

Our "Meet & Greet" will follow the AGM from 7:00– 10:00 pm with the announcement of the FSANL 2017 "Safety Champion". There will be finger foods and a cash bar available.

The Conference will take place at the Corner Brook Civic Centre on April 11 from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. Register now, only a few seats left!!!!

Hot lunch will be provided. \$50.00 + HST per person \$35.00 + HST per student

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Safety is good business, Plain and simple.

Benefits of being a FSANL Member

By being a member you have access to all health and safety information that the Association has. If you have questions you can call or email us at any time. If we don't have the immediate answer we can get it for you from one of our board of directors representatives. FSANL'S board has representation from the following groups;

WorkplaceNL, OHS Inspection Division, Department of Fisheries and land Resources, NL Federation of Labor, NL Employers Council, Corner Brook Pulp & Paper Ltd, NL Lumber Producers Association Unifor Local 60N, UBC Local 579, Deer Lake Power, Harvesting Contractors, and Local 64. As you can see there is tremendous support behind the Association and it is available to you as a member.

In addition, as a member you are entitled to discounted rates for all safety training. Contact us today for more information.

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Message from the Executive Director

It's that time of year again when the snow is going and we are getting in the last few rides on our sleds. Old man winter has had his fun and no doubt will give us another poke or two before he goes. As spring takes hold and the daylight hours grow longer we must remember to be careful out on the trails as objects and obstacles are now showing through the snow and can cause serious hazards. Please stay off any ice surfaces as the ice has become thin and unsafe for travel. In most parts of the province we experienced thinner ice thicknesses than normal and as such have

more dangerous ice conditions than we are used to.

Ice fishing ends on the island on April 15 and regular trout fishing opens again on May 15. Even though the summer fishing season may be open does not mean the water is warm.

There are still fatalities every year due to people being in the water and succumbing to the cold temperatures. It is also very important that people wear life jackets or PFD's when out enjoying a day on the water. Too often people don't think they need to wear a PFD because they are good swim-

mers or its not going to happen to them. Some people use it for an extra cushion on their seat. They are fine with the thought that its on the boat with them and readily available in case of an emergency. The problem is that an emergency can happen without warning and you can't push the pause button to get your PFD. Always wear the appropriate clothing and safety gear to match your activities.

A good friend of mine always says; "it is better to have and not need than to need and not have".
—words to live by