

FoBMBCL Hike Group Annual Report 2025-2026

This report covers the time period from July 1, 2025 to June 4, 2026.

Over the 12 months the FBMBCCL Hike Group has organized 17 hikes. In total, the Hike Group carried out 14 hikes, with a total of 101 participants. 3 hikes were cancelled due to unfavorable weather forecasts, Hike Leader unavailability, or due to a low number of registered participants.

One hike included Mayor Andy Filmore, his assistant, 4 HRM Councillors, and 2 MLA's

Hike destinations included Ash Lake, Blue Mountain Summit, Charlies Lake, Fox Lake, Hobsons Lake, Susies Lake Flagpole Hill, and Susies Lake West.

Hikes were promoted directly to FBMBCCL membership through our newsletter, via FBMBCCL Facebook page and Hike Nova Scotia Facebook page, via FBMBCCL Activities webpage. Hikes were promoted to the general public primarily through Hike Nova Scotia as part of their Guided Hikes and Walks Series.

Unfortunately, due to funding cuts, Hike Nova Scotia will be providing only minimal promotion of our guided hikes going forward. The Hike Group, along with assistance from Catherine McKellar is now promoting individual hikes, rather than simply a seasonal series, by use of Facebook Events, Instagram posts and stories, as well as increased promotion through social media and newsletters of companion organizations.

The FBMBCCL Hike Group provided support for the Wild Blue 10K trail run through the BMBCL Wilderness area.

Thanks to all the participants, Hike Leaders, Todd Beal (Communications), Catherine McKellar, Anne Vaughan (Membership), Mary Ellen Hamilton (Volunteer Coordination), as well as Janet Barlow and other staff at Hike Nova Scotia for promotion efforts and providing participation prizes for hikers.

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