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Snow Pentathlon The Plains a modern sports challenge infused with history

Quebec, February 16, 2012 – For a fifth year, the National Battlefields Commission is pleased to welcome the Snow Pentathlon on the Plains of Abraham, a spectacular winter sports event: its 8th edition is held until next February 26. Make sure not to miss the notable presence of Amédée Fournier and his band of courageous sportsmen coming to us directly from the past. They will take up two major challenges: the [Défi Corporatif](#) (Corporate Challenge) held this Saturday February 18, and the [Tournoi invitation scolaire primaire et secondaire RSEQ de Québec-Chaudières-Appalaches](#) (primary/secondary levels championship) Thursday February 23.



The friendly team, standing for the Plains in these two challenges, will be composed of four memorable historical personalities: **Amédée Fournier**, vice-president of the Commercial Union (1914) “amateurs de racquettes” (snowshoe enthusiasts), **Cyrille Duquet**, one of the first Québec City velocipede champions (during the 1900’s), honorary chairman of the Québec Bicycle Club and occasional cross-country skier, Captain **Robert Rogers**, American militiaman (1757) and running enthusiast, and finally, **Joe Malone**, captain of the Quebec Bulldogs and member of the group when they twice won the Stanley Cup, in 1911-1912 and 1912-1913. These jolly fellows will take turns participating in the five proposed sports competitions: bicycle, running, cross-country skiing, skating and snowshoeing.

In addition to his participation in the Pentathlon, the valiant Amédée Fournier invites history and outdoor buffs to put on caps, mittens, arrowhead sashes and traditional snowshoes and join him in the park to learn more about inter sports and activities of the early 20th century. With the *Snowshoer’s Walk*, participants will relive the double Stanley Cup win of the Quebec Bulldogs (they celebrate their 100th anniversary this year), they will also enjoy ski jumping, ski *jorring*, winter walks, and much more. A recreational outing to make you shiver with delight - with hot chocolate in the bargain! So, what do you say to a starlit walk? Join us next February 25 or March 3.

[The Snowshoer’s Walk](#)

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