



Sentier Jean Tellier Trail – Naming Request

VIA EMAIL

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Dear Barb:

Re: Sentier Jean Tellier Trail – Naming Request

On behalf of the Coniston Community Action Network (CAN), please accept this proposal for the naming request of the **Sentier Jean Tellier Trail**, according to BY-LAW 2012-256.

For the past four years, Jean Tellier, has been actively urging the Rainbow Routes Association and the Coniston CAN to develop a nature trail in Coniston. Jean Tellier, a resident of Coniston since 1979, is a retired educator. Tellier has walked, flagged, and gps'd the trail every day, and on October 12, 2012, the trail was officially opened. The trail helps Jean keep a handle on the effects of Lou Gehrig's disease. "It keeps me young at heart. I go out and meet people. It gives me joy when I see the children coming to school on their bikes, taking the path. And you see also a lot of older people who said 'I remember walking a dirt trail a long time ago, and now there's a new trail. It's better.'" Tellier said.

Rainbow Routes Association officially opened the trail on October 12, 2012. The two-kilometre trail, which is wheelchair accessible, connects residents and two schools via the end of Rideau Road to Edward Avenue in Coniston. It is also part of the Trans

Canada Trail, which spans the entire country. Deb McIntosh, Rainbow Routes Association's executive director, said Tellier was a driving force behind the creation of the trail.

The Trans Canada Trail stretches across the entire country, and once completed, it will be 22,000 kilometres in length. Locally, the trail winds its way from Nairn Centre in the west, through the heart of the city towards Coniston and eventually to North Bay in the east.

This trail is a great way to meet people from all parts of Coniston. It is a way for our community to join the trend of making the area of Greater Sudbury a friendly environment for pedestrians and cyclists of all ages and encompasses the Coniston tag line... "We're part of a healthy community... We work together for a Green Coniston."

The Coniston Community Action Network (CAN) has endorsed this project. The trail allows pedestrians, student and seniors to walk in a natural setting in their backyard without motorized vehicles. This trail will have close proximity to the new Seniors Complex that is proposed the same area.

Below is a map showing the trail.



Since the opening of the trail, Tellier is also working on finishing the last 216 metres of the trail and hopes to have this trail open for snowshoeing in the winter. We welcome the City of Greater Sudbury to adopt the naming of this trail as the Sentier Jean Tellier Trail. Enclosed within this submission are letters of support and signatures of citizens in Coniston who have endorsed the naming of this trail. And media coverage of the official opening is included for your reference.

We thank you for your consideration and look forward to hearing from you.

Regards,

Kimberley Wahamaa

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MEDIA RELEASE (Rainbow Routes) Greater Sudbury Has a New Trail!



Coniston trail opening.

MEDIA RELEASE

Trans Canada Trail through Coniston

Rainbow ROUTES Association officially opens the newest section of the Trans Canada Trail

Rainbow Routes Association officially opened the newest section of the Trans Canada Trail at a press conference held at midday Friday, October 12th in Coniston. This new wheelchair accessible trail connects residents and two schools via the end of Rideau Road to Edward Ave in Coniston, and serves as a portion of the Trans Canada Trail.

"It is through partnerships represented here today that Greater Sudbury will become the healthy community that we are all working toward," said Councilor Doug Craig in his greetings from the City of Greater Sudbury. "This trail will provide opportunities for active living regardless of age or ability. I've already heard that students from St. Paul the Apostle and Notre Dame de la Merci are already using this new path to get to and from school, now *that* is active transportation!"

Classes from the neighbouring schools attended the opening and presented cards of thanks thanking for this new addition to their community. The trail will serve as a recreational and commuter walking path for area residents, and with its close proximity to two elementary schools, will provide the opportunity for outdoor education for students.

"Our Coniston Community Action Network identified this trail project as a priority in our 2008 visioning session," stated C.A.N. Co-Chair Wyman MacKinnon in his message, "and we are so pleased that what we envisioned 4 years ago is now a reality."

The Trans Canada Trail stretches across the entire country from East to West to North and South. When completed, it will be 22,000 km in length. Locally, the trail winds its way from Nairn Centre in the west, through the heart of the City towards Coniston and eventually to North Bay in the east. Rainbow Routes announced at the opening that they have completed 85% of the route through Greater Sudbury and has set itself the goal of being complete by 2015.

“The Trans Canada Trail is widely considered to be one of the most ambitious endeavors ever undertaken by the volunteer sector in Canada.” said Al MacPherson, Acting General Manager of Trans Canada Trail Ontario in a letter to Rainbow Routes. “We are truly pleased to be able to count on the support of partners like Rainbow Routes Association and we feel equally proud that the Coniston Trail is a part of this national iconic project.”

The community has named this trail Sentier Jean Tellier Trail pending City Council’s approval through the official naming process. Jean Tellier, a resident of Coniston and retired teacher has been the driving force to see Coniston become a part of the Trans Canada Trail. The trail will help provide access to the natural landscape and will contribute greatly to the promotion of active living.

Rainbow Routes’ President Samantha Baulch said, “Rainbow Routes Association is nothing without her partners and community of volunteers. We are continually amazed by the generosity of time and talent from people wanting to be a part of something bigger than themselves, and the number of people behind our trail development projects this summer is truly inspiring.”

This project was made possible in partnership with Rainbow Routes Association, Employment Ontario, Trans Canada Trail, Xstrata Nickel, the City of Greater Sudbury, the Coniston Community Action Network and local resident Jean Tellier. President Samantha Baulch provided a special thank you to the City’s Parks Department, “Rainbow Routes builds these trails, but it is the Parks Department that keeps them in such good shape and we are all very appreciative.”

The official ceremony concluded with coffee and cookies compliments of Tim Horton’s at the corner of Levesque and the Kingsway and a stroll down the new path.

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FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: Deb McIntosh, Executive Director 674-4455 x 4603

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To: Coniston C.A.N.
From: Rainbow Routes Association
Date: November 1, 2012
Re: Naming of the new trail in the community of Coniston

When Rainbow Routes develops a new trail, the name of the trail usually comes from the name of the nearby community e.g. Copper Cliff Trail or a near by water body e.g. Kelly Lake Trail.

In the case of this new link of the Trans Canada Trail in Coniston, the commitment of one volunteer to see a trail developed for his community calls out for an alternative name.

Jean Tellier started making appointments on a regular basis with the Rainbow Routes office over 5 years ago. He wanted a walkway for his community of Coniston and he has been persistent where others would have given up. Mr. Tellier hasn't just said he wanted a trail, he was also willing to flag and gps routes, walk the route with RRA staff and develop serious community support to see his vision become a reality.

We understand that the naming process has been put under a moratorium but given Jean Tellier's health condition (he suffers from Lou Gehrig's Disease) and the passion of your community of Coniston to name this trail after this man, we support your desire to move this process forward.

Rainbow Routes Association developed this trail in the Summer of 2012, and the RRA Board of Directors fully endorses the Coniston C.A.N. desire that it be named "Sentier Jean Tellier Trail"

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October 28, 2012

To Whom It May Concern

The Coniston Playground Association has as its main goal, the promotion of physical activity among the people of Coniston, especially its youth. This is accomplished by having the appropriate facilities and programs within the community to achieve this goal.

With that being said, the Sentier Jean Tellier Trail has been an excellent addition to the community. It is another outlet for the people of Coniston to engage in physical activity within a beautiful natural setting.

Without the tireless efforts of Mr. Jean Tellier, this walking trail would never have come to be. And, therefore, we in the Coniston Playground Association support whole-heartedly the naming of the trail as the "Sentier Jean Tellier Trail".

Thank You,

Jason Marcon

Jason Marcon - Vice President

Coniston Playground Association



CONISTON SENIORS AND GOLDEN AGE CLUB

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October 31, 2012

To Whom It May Concern,

Subject: Official Naming Process for the Sentier Jean Tellier Trail

The Coniston Seniors and Golden Age Club on behalf of its members support the Coniston Community Action Network (CAN) in their endeavour to have the Coniston walking trail portion of the Trans Canada Trail within The City of Greater Sudbury officially named the Sentier Jean Tellier Trail.

Jean Tellier, a respected resident of Coniston and retired teacher, has been the driving force to see Coniston become a part of the Trans Canada Trail. The Sentier Jean Tellier Trail will help provide access to the natural landscape and will contribute to the promotion of active living in the area.

Please give careful consideration to the CAN committee's request

Sincerely

Diane Talevi, President
The Coniston Seniors and Golden Age Club

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RECREATION: Coniston walking path named after Jean Tellier

Trans Canada Trail gets addition

Star Staff

The newest link of Trans Canada Trail in Sudbury officially opened in Coniston on Friday.

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From left, Coniston residents Jean Tellier and Bill Merrick on the newest portion of the Trans Canada Trail, which will be named after Tellier.

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Du nouveau à Coniston :

Le sentier Jean Tellier

Aubin CONISTON — La plus récente section du Sentier transcanadien se retrouve à Coniston. Complété tout récemment, le sentier de Coniston a été aménagé par la Rainbow Routes Association (RRA) en coopération avec le Réseau d'action communautaire (RAC) de Coniston. Le sentier, accessible aux gens en fauteuil roulant, permet aux élèves des écoles St. Paul l'he Apostle et Notre-Dame de la Merci de se rendre à l'école sans passer par les artères utilisées par les automobilistes.

La communauté de Coniston souhaite nommer son nouveau sentier le sentier Jean Tellier, en honneur de l'homme qui a d'abord réclamé sa création. Depuis 2008, M. Tellier, un enseignant à la retraite, s'est présenté aux réunions du RAC de Coniston afin de réclamer un sentier pour sa communauté. «Au début, dit-il, ce n'était pas évident parce qu'ici, pour les gens, des *trails* dans la nature c'est pour prendre ton VTT puis tu t'en vas dans la nature. Moi, je demandais une *trail* qui était ouverte au public avec des paramètres bien définis puis tout ça. Pour eux autres, c'était étrange de voir ça. Alors, ils ont finalement accepté et puis après ça c'était de faire intervenir les autorités [RRA]. Et puis là, on les a achalés [pendant] plusieurs années consécutives. Il y avait une question de financement aussi et puis le temps était bon cette année.»

C'est M. Tellier qui a établi le tracé du sentier. Celui-ci traverse un ruisseau à l'aide d'un pont anciennement situé sur la promenade flottante du ruisseau Lily à Sudbury. À l'origine, la RRA voulait s'approprier un sentier utilisé par les VTT. De dire M. Tellier : «Si on fait ça là-dessus, ça va être la guerre, j'ai dit "oublie ça"». Le nouveau sentier est donc parallèle au sentier pour les VTT.

À l'inauguration du sentier, la RRA a annoncé que la section sudburoise du Sentier transcanadien est complétée à 85 % et qu'elle devrait l'être complètement d'ici 2015. Le Sentier transcanadien lui-même sera d'environ 22 000 kilomètres lorsqu'il sera complété et traversera le pays entier, de l'ouest à l'est et du nord au sud.



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