Toboggan Advisor

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I taught at the Big Powderhorn OEC refresher, and also attended the Big Snow OEC refresher. The region meeting at Brule was efficient and well run with things falling into place nicely. The snow came early and heavy which made early season skiing great. I stopped by the Division Clinic and talked to several attendees and passed their feedback on to appropriate people. We still have some things we could be doing better to improve the experience and maybe attract new attendees as I see the same people there every year.

I served as the IT for Big Snow toboggan refresher as well as several other classes again this year. I helped at Whitecap a couple of days as Matt is the only rostered patroller there, any help is appreciated. The senior toboggan evaluation was held at Indianhead and I ran one group of evaluators. The patrollers in my group were very well prepared as all in our group passed.

The season came to an abrupt end and we were not able to run an advanced toboggan course as planned at our hill. Several patrollers want to advance their skills to a higher level but missed the opportunity due to the closing. Hopefully next year we will run this more than once.

Speaking of next year, I would like to see our IT's in the region get more OET clinics running. We have many very good instructors and it would be nice to see more of these courses to help keep our patrollers toboggan skills at a higher level. I will also plan on attending the Division Clinic as well as the region clinic again next year.