

An absolutely essential part of the ESC is its student membership and it is very important that they feel acknowledged and supported in all ESC activities. This year, therefore, we are proud to announce a single-handed contribution to the Sno-Foo rogues gallery by a very talented student.

In any field research experiment involving powered equipment, it is strongly recommended that the user read the manual thoroughly, familiarize themselves with the operation of the machine, the operation of the machine in extreme cold and the geographical layout of the field experiment for which the equipment is to be used. In the case of a snow machine, the motto "Take the time to understand your snow machine before you ride and be prepared should something go wrong" is an excellent standard to follow. Sadly, in the case of this otherwise highly talented student this motto was not observed and at least three high quality Sno-Foo events resulted. The details are unimportant but needless to say speed, extreme cold and disorientation are enough to conjure up some comic imagery. Thankfully the student, who's name shall remain anonymous, but is from the University of Waterloo, lived to tell the tale, or at least have the tale told of him! Without doubt they will do very well in his career but the "snow machine incidents" are likely to haunt them for some time to come!