

SUBJECT
OBJETRescue Toboggan - Model 100

Dana,

Just to let you know that I have completed trials of the Rescue Toboggans and am very pleased with the results. The sleds are sturdy enough to withstand the extremes in temperature and terrain of the High Arctic yet they are relatively lightweight and maneuverable. The Model 100 will more than meet our requirements.

Our department has conducted Ice Thickness Measurements in the High Arctic, at locations such as; Alert, Eureka, Resolute Bay, Iqaluit, etc. for over 50 years.

We never really gave much thought to survival or safety gear until recently when a few incidents forced us to re-evaluate our work practices. The toboggan was incorporated as part of our gear, to facilitate the transportation of equipment.

We have to transport equipment (an ice auger, shovel, ice chisel) to sites which may be several kilometres from the home base. In the past, it was up to the passenger on the snowmobile to "hang on" to this equipment or to fashion a "homemade" sled out of wood.

The Rescue Toboggan enables us to transport this equipment (and now some additional survival gear) safely, using the tie down straps. The bonus is that if one of our observers were injured on the ice we could now transport them safely (in a horizontal position) back to base.

Regards,

Tony Deveau