



## **Nunavut Search and Rescue Roundtable 2024**

**Frobisher Inn, Iqaluit, Nunavut**

**15-17 November 2024**

The [Nunavut Search and Rescue Roundtable](#) is a partnership between community responders, government practitioners, and researchers. The roundtable provides the time and space to discuss and improve the search and rescue system, offers training opportunities, helps to organize other SAR activities, and strengthens the relationships required for effective SAR operations.

We are excited for you to join us at the 2024 roundtable, hosted in Iqaluit. This meeting will focus on strengthening SAR management and coordination in the territory. To achieve this goal, we are bringing together Nunavut's twenty-five community SAR coordinators and their core territorial, federal, and non-profit partners. As at the 2020 and 2022 regional roundtables, participants will have the opportunity to discuss policies and procedures, share challenges and concerns, suggest improvements, learn from one another, and ask questions. In addition, this roundtable will provide SAR coordinators with guidance and training on search management and planning, including best practices employed by experienced coordinators across the territory, and on how to integrate SmartICE into SAR operations to improve search effectiveness and responder safety.

The roundtable will involve a mixture of all-participant discussions and small breakout groups to support brainstorming and the sharing of perspectives. To encourage free flowing and candid conversations the roundtable will follow the Chatham House Rule – participants may use information from the proceedings, but the identity of the speakers will not be revealed in any reports or briefings. Participants can, however, request that specific stories or information be attributed to them. Simultaneous translation into Inuktitut will be provided throughout the roundtable.

The roundtable is designed to be flexible – if more time is required for a certain session, we will make it happen. Likewise, if participants do not find a session particularly helpful, we can move on to the next. We have built in time for breakfasts, breaks, lunches, and an opening dinner because we consider the personal conversations shared over coffee and meals to be as valuable as the broader discussions involving the entire group.

If at any point discussions become exhausting or triggering, participants are encouraged to step away from the roundtable. Roundtable organizers can provide access to peer support, individuals trained in Critical Incident Stress Management, and information on additional mental health supports.

Primary funding and logistical support for this roundtable has been provided by the [Nunavut-Nunavik Search and Rescue Project](#) (a team of Canadian and UK academics and Inuit research partners focused on



strengthening Nunavut and Nunavik's whole-of-society SAR systems) and Nunavut Emergency Management.

## Schedule

### *15 November*

7:30-8:30 am	Breakfast
8:45 am-9:15 am	Welcome and Introduction to the Roundtable
9:15 am-10:15 am	Recap: 2022 Regional Roundtables and 2023 Arctic SAR Exchange
10:15 am-10:30 am	Break
10:30 am-12:00 pm	Working Better Together: Briefings/Updates from Canadian Coast Guard Arctic Region, Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary, and JRCC Trenton and Halifax followed by Q and A period
12:00 pm-1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm- 2:30 pm	Working Better Together: Briefings/Updates from the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, Parks Canada, the Civil Air Search and Rescue Association, and 1 Canadian Ranger Patrol Group, followed by Q and A period
2:30 pm-2:45 pm	Break
2:45 pm-4:15 pm	GSAR in Nunavut: Briefing/Update from Nunavut Emergency Management on Operations, Policy, and Programs, followed by Q and A period
4:15 pm-4:30 pm	Looking Ahead: A Nunavut SAR Association?
5:00 pm-6:30 pm	Roundtable Opening Dinner

### *16 November*

7:30 am-8:30 am	Breakfast
8:45 am-9:00 am	Welcome and Review



9:00 am-9:10 am Introduction of the Draft *Nunavut SAR Coordinator's Guidebook*

9:10 am-10:10 am The Foundation of Response: Building Search and Rescue Preplans

- ❖ A SAR preplan or readiness plan is a documented set of possible actions, contacts, and guidelines for a SAR operation. The preplan is intended to make operations more effective, ensure that required information is documented and shared, and improve collaboration with partners. This session will take coordinators through the draft preplan included in the coordinator's guidebook and invite feedback based on the best practices of all roundtable participants.

10:10 am-10:30 am Break

10:30 am-12:00 pm The Foundation of Response: Building Search and Rescue Preplans

12:00 pm-1:00 pm Lunch

1:00 pm-2:30 pm Working with SmartICE to Support SAR Operations

- ❖ In this session, roundtable participants will learn how SmartICE can be used to support search and rescue prevention and response in Nunavut. They will also have the opportunity to provide feedback on how SmartICE operator training and travel safety products can be best adapted for SAR operations.

2:30 pm-2:45 pm Break

2:45 pm-4:15 pm Working with SmartICE to Support SAR Operations

4:15 pm-4:30 pm Daily Wrap-Up

### **17 November**

7:30-8:45 am Breakfast

9:00 am-9:15 am Welcome and Review

9:15 am-10:45 am Working Through Challenges and Opportunities: Breakout Groups



- ❖ During these sessions, participants will rotate between different thematic stations to discuss pressing challenges and opportunities for search and rescue in Nunavut. There will be stations on SAR Prevention; Alerting and Satellite Communications; Best Practices in Search Planning and Management; Communicating and Collaborating with Partners; Drones; Air Operations; and SmartICE.

10:45 am-11:00 am	Break
11:00 am-12:00 pm	Discussing the Creation of a Nunavut SAR Association
12:00 pm-1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm-2:30 pm	Working Through Challenges and Opportunities: Breakout Groups
2:30 pm-2:45 pm	Break
2:45 pm-3:15 pm:	Working Through Challenges and Opportunities: Breakout Groups
3:15 pm-3:45 pm:	Roundtable Wrap-Up and Next Steps

## Roundtable 2024 Participants

### *Community SAR Coordinators*

Valerie Qaunaq	Arctic Bay Search and Rescue
Gina Paniloo	Clyde River Search and Rescue
Marty Kuluguqtuq	Grise Fiord Search and Rescue
Tony Kunuk	Igloolik Search and Rescue
Rosie Akavak	Kimmirut Search and Rescue
Adamie Nuna	Kinngait Search and Rescue
Mary Jaworenko	Mittimatalik Search and Rescue
Julai Alikataqkuk	Pangnirtung Search and Rescue
Nancy Amarualik	Resolute Bay Search and Rescue
Alex Puasi Ippak	Sanikiluaq Search and Rescue
George Innuksuk	Sanirajak Search and Rescue
Daniel Kablutsiak	Arviat Search and Rescue
James Taipana	Baker Lake Search and Rescue
Barnie Aggark	Chesterfield Inlet Search and Rescue



Hannah Angootealuk	Coral Harbour Search and Rescue
William Kopak	Naujaat Search and Rescue
Lorna Netser	Rankin Inlet Search and Rescue

Angulalik Pedersen	Cambridge Bay Search and Rescue
Clayton Keknek	Gjoa Haven Search and Rescue
Christopher Tungilik	Kugaaruk Search and Rescue
Baba Pedersen	Kugluktuk Search and Rescue
Bryan Ukuqtunnuaq	Taloyoak Search and Rescue

*Territorial, Federal, Non-Profit Representatives*

Jessica Young	ADM, Community and Government Services, Government of Nunavut
Calvin Pedersen	Manager, Search and Rescue, Nunavut Emergency Management
Alex Ker	Senior Consultant, NVision Insight Group Inc.
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Erin Pigott	Deputy Superintendent, Maritime SAR, CCG Arctic Region
Brenda Panipakoocho	SAR Programs Officer, CCG Arctic Region
Supt. Kent Pike	Officer-in-Command, Criminal Operations, V Division, RCMP
S/Sgt. Chris Smith	Acting Officer-in-Command, East District, V Division, RCMP
Caryn Smith	Parks Canada, Nunavut Field Unit
LCol Travis Hanes	Officer-in-Command, 1 Canadian Ranger Patrol Group
Cpt. Marty Zimmer	CASARA Liaison Officer, 424 Squadron RCAF
Bev Williams	CASARA, VP Operations & Training
Peter Kadlak	Rankin Inlet Search and Rescue / CASARA Nunavut
Major Chris Simm	Officer-in-Command, JRCC Halifax
Captain Maia Hudak	SAR Mission Coordinator, JRCC Halifax
Major Marc Crivicich	Officer-in-Command, JRCC Trenton
Captain Sean Crites	Deputy Officer-in-Command, JRCC Trenton
Daniel Loghin	Maritime SAR Coordinator, JRCC Trenton
Major Sean Brinkema	Detachment Commander Nunavut, Joint Task Force (North)

*Nunavik Observers*

Craig Lingard	Director, Kativik Civil Security
Mitch Vail	Civil Security Coordinator, Kativik Civil Security
Kris Tukkiapik	Civil Security Technician, Kativik Civil Security



### *SmartICE Training Team*

Andrew Arreak	Regional Operations Manager, SmartICE
Trevor Bell	Founding Director, SmartICE
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Mari-Lynn Taylor	Operations Program Manager, SmartICE

### *Nunavut-Nunavik SAR Project Representatives*

Peter Kikkert	St. Francis Xavier University / Nova Scotia Ground Search and Rescue
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