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2023 Brian Moore Legacy Fund Student

The Brian D. Moore Legacy Fund was established by a group of Saint John-area MSA Directors in 2021 to honour past MSA Chair and long-time MSA Director Brian Moore and his dedication to Atlantic salmon conservation. The purpose of this endowment fund is to offer financial support to encourage students who are undertaking important work that benefits the Miramichi River and the Atlantic salmon that Brian cared so deeply about.

The MSA is pleased to announce that Cole Johnson has been selected as this year's recipient. Cole is a second-year undergraduate student at Mount Allison University. Cole was a summer student for the MSA in 2022 and is returning for the 2023 field season.

"I'm looking forward to working with Cole in his role as the Brian Moore Legacy Fund student this summer, and for directors and members to get to know him better. Cole has a positive attitude and a passion for Atlantic salmon conservation that make him a deserving recipient of this award," shared MSA president, Robyn McCallum.

Cole's project under the Brian Moore Legacy Fund will include enhanced communication and education about the Miramichi Salmon Conservation Centre, which is celebrating its 150th anniversary this year. Cole will also be investigating ways that the invasive smallmouth bass population can be kept suppressed after the flowing water treatment in 2022, and the lake population contained.

"Working with the MSA has given me a great opportunity to explore and experience conservation efforts on our waters," said Cole. "By becoming part of their team, I am able to help preserve the rich biodiversity of the Miramichi and to further develop my knowledge and skills in my field of study."

Brian Moore was a life-long supporter of Atlantic salmon conservation on the Miramichi in numerous ways. In tribute to Brian's service and dedication to the MSA's mission, this fund serves to nurture and encourage a new generation of professional salmon biologists and resource managers, thereby helping to bolster and sustain long-term Miramichi salmon preservation efforts. Specifically, the fund is intended to financially support an MSA-supervised high school, undergraduate, or graduate student undertaking salmon conservation work within the Miramichi River watershed. We are certain Cole will meet and exceed these guidelines, and help keep Brian's legacy alive in the Miramichi River Watershed.

Brian's wife, Sue Moore, shared these sentiments: "Brian loved being on the river. It was a special place for him and he was truly involved with the conservation efforts of the Miramichi. He always felt when you took on a position, and when you left that position, you should always



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make it better. That was his goal. Hopefully he did that. We have wonderful memories of the Miramichi and fishing stories to tell. It was a very special place in our lives and still is a special place in my life."

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