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RDOGs walking for a Dog Park

Local Responsible Dog Owners and their dogs walking
for the creation of Greater Sudbury's first Off-Leash Dog Park

(SUDBURY – September 21, 2010) – On Saturday, October 2, 2010, the Dogs Off-Leash in Greater Sudbury (DOGS) Committee are inviting all Minnow Lake and Greater Sudbury residents with their leashed and licensed dogs to participate in a walk-a-thon from Minnow Lake Place to the proposed Off-Leash Dog Park site as part of our first year's participation in the National Responsible Dog Ownership (RDOG) Day.

"Many Minnow Lake and Greater Sudbury Residents don't know that our group is working on establishing Greater Sudbury's first Off-Leash Dog Park", says Pierre Perreault, Chairperson of the Dogs Off-Leash in Greater Sudbury Committee. "This walk-a-thon is about raising community awareness and to raise pledges for the creation of the City's first Off-Leash Dog Park. When responsible pet owners and dogs spend time engaging in enjoyable activities in a safe environment, dogs become better socialized and we all benefit. Sudbury needs a fenced off-leash area where we can socialize our dogs to be good community citizens." says Perreault.

Responsible Dog Ownership (RDOG) Day is a national initiative started by the Canadian Kennel Club to educate dog owners across the country about responsible pet ownership.

The walk-a-thon will start at Minnow Lake Place, 1127 Bancroft Drive at 11 am and make its way to the proposed site for the City's first Off-Leash Dog Park located on the parcel of land at the corner of Donna Drive and Second Avenue North, site of the former open air gravel pit. Residents can obtain the Financial Pledge form on the Committee's website: www.dogsoffleash.ca.

The Dogs Off-Leash in Greater Sudbury (DOGS) is a committee of the Minnow Lake Community Action Network. They are mandated with the research and creation of the City of Greater Sudbury's first Off-Leash Dog Park which is proposed to be located on the parcel of land at the corner of Donna Drive and Second Avenue North in Minnow Lake. The parcel of land in question, which is not viable for residential or commercial construction, was an open air gravel pit which has been filled-in and left abandoned over the years.

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