

Kudos to a gifted auctioneer!

If, one November Saturday, you'd like to experience an entertaining DU Canada dinner, come out to La Tuque!

In most respects, the La Tuque dinner is like any other well-oiled DU Canada fundraiser – the volunteers do a good job and the attendees, for their part, get the message and are generous with their donations.

What is unique about the dinner in La Tuque is the performance by its auctioneer. A talented auctioneer can make all the difference to the success of an event, and this is something the La Tuque committee has come to know well.

For several years now, an auctioneer by the name of Daniel Bourassa has been making the La Tuque dinner the event of the season. Bourassa does more than just auction. Not



Daniel Bourassa

only does he know all the guests, he excels in wordplay and is a master at improvisation. Bourassa is a founding member of the youth division of the local improv league, and even helped organize a match between it and the Montreal improv league, LNI. He is a disciplined person who has been teaching karate at his own karate school for 15 years. A pulp and paper factory employee since 1974, he is a key contributor to the annual DU Canada dinner in La Tuque.

Thanks for your participation, Daniel; your work is much appreciated. S

Daniel Bourassa's auctioneer services are available at 819-523-6302.

The Eider Initiative – flying high

Ducks Unlimited Canada's partnership with other agencies to raise \$1.7 million for the East Coast Eider Initiative in Newfoundland and Labrador is flying high.

DUC volunteers are fully engaged in activities focused on raising the resources needed to make the Eider Initiative an enormous success. Newfoundland and Labrador director Paul Hickey and his team are busy contacting corporations, individuals and foundations. DUC volunteer and professional outfitter Barbara Genge has also been talking with government agencies.

Tim and Barbara Scully of Hooked on Nature Photography donated over seven



Flying eider image © Tim and Barbara Scully

weeks of their professional time to photograph the eiders. They processed more than 8,000 images and donated the best to DUC. S

You too can help keep this beautiful bird flying high by calling 709-738-5405

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