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IRVING OIL PRESENTS WORLD'S LARGEST TRUCK CONVOY IN SUPPORT OF SPECIAL OLYMPICS NOVA SCOTIA.

Big rigs. Big hearts. Big results

Halifax (NS) – Special Olympics Nova Scotia is proud to announce Irving Oil as the presenting sponsor of *Big Rigs. Big Hearts. Big Results* - the World's Largest Truck Convoy in support of Special Olympics Nova Scotia. The convoy starts to roll [at 10:15 AM on Saturday, September 19](#), from DND Shearwater. It will be led by the star of the Ice Road Truckers TV series, Alex Debogorski, who will be returning again this year as Grand Marshal.

The Truck Convoy is a parade of 150 big rigs through Dartmouth, N.S. and raises funds for more than 1,700 of Nova Scotia's Special Olympians. Nova Scotia Special Olympics offers sports programs for individuals with intellectual disabilities. Now in its fourth year, the event has raised more than \$113,000.

"We are extremely excited about our partnership with Irving Oil and look forward to working closely with them to make this year's Truck Convoy the best one yet," says Mike Greek, CEO of Special Olympics Nova Scotia. "Their involvement combines their unwavering commitment to the trucking community and their longstanding dedication to community causes like ours. We are grateful for their support."

"We have a long history of community support in Nova Scotia and are proud to support the Special Olympics," says Sarah Irving, Chief Brand Officer at Irving Oil. "We look forward to the big event this year. The drivers have a lot of heart and it's great to see everyone rally together for a great cause."

Debogorski is looking forward to his return after a memorable experience at the Convoy last year.

Today's announcement marks the opening date for truckers to start registering for the event. Last year's convoy broke all records, with 152 trucks registered and more than \$69,000 raised.

Truckers can register now by contacting Anne Marie Shannon at [1-866-299-2019](tel:1-866-299-2019) / [\(902\) 429-2266](tel:902-429-2266) x 2 or emailing amshannon@sportnovascotia.ca.

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ABOUT IRVING OIL

Irving Oil is a privately-owned, increasingly global energy and marketing company that provides Eastern Canada and New England with high-quality products and customer service. Founded in 1924 and based in Saint John, New Brunswick, Irving Oil maintains a strong tradition of committed community service and partnerships through programs in healthcare, the environment, education and sports. For more information about Irving Oil and its community programs, please visit us at www.irvingoil.com or follow us at facebook.com/irvingoil.

ABOUT SPECIAL OLYMPICS IN NOVA SCOTIA

Established in 1979, the Nova Scotia chapter of this international movement is dedicated to enriching the lives of Nova Scotians with an intellectual disability through sport. Operating year-round in 15 Regions, this grassroots movement reaches beyond the sphere of sport to empower individuals, change attitudes, and build communities. From two-year olds enrolled in Active Start to mature adults, there are more than 1700 children, youth, and adults with an intellectual disability registered in Special Olympics programs across Nova Scotia. For more information, visit www.sons.ca or follow us on Facebook and Twitter ([@SpecialONS](https://twitter.com/SpecialONS)).

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