## **Spruce Woods Wildlife Refuge**

On Saturday March 2, Steffany & Carson joined Brian for a hike in the Spruce Woods Wildlife Refuge located near the Camp Hughes historical military site. The weather was perfect since the forecasted blizzard conditions had not yet arrived.

The trio of hardy explorers set off south along the trail toward Sewell Lake. At Round Lake they left the trail behind and struck out across country. Navigating by map and compass they made their way from Round Lake to lake 1, from lake 1 to lake 2 and finally from lake 2 back to the Sewell Lake trail. Carson and Steffany took turns bushwhacking the trail on the required compass bearing with Brian ensuring everyone was on course (with GPS and Steffany's hiking app as backup of course!)

Lunch and a rest was had fireside at Sewell Lake. Once the wood was burned up it was time to take the trail back to the truck at the trailhead. The hike was approximately 9km in total with wolf, moose, coyote and deer tracks seen along the way. All in all an enjoyable day in the bush.







