The 2015 SNO-FOO award is well deserved by Kevin Côté, a M.Sc. student from the Université de Sherbrooke. Kevin’s thesis focuses on the application and adaptation of the SNOWPACK model in Canadian avalanche terrain. Obviously, it is expected for students to conduct fieldwork and so it was the plan for Kevin.

Although Kevin mentioned in multiple occasions he was a good snowboarder, when it came to the first outing, Kevin dislocated his shoulder on the first descent of the Level-1 professional course. His ‘old man’ thesis supervisor appeared to be in sufficient shape to actually conduct the training and work…

On year #2, fieldwork is planned again…but shortly before departure he did it again. This time, Kevin dislocated his ankle and you can ask him how this was done… Again, the ‘old man’ saved the day and collected Kevin’s data… Kevin Côté, congratulations on the 2015 SNO-FOO award!