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Corinth, N.Y. – The United States Snowshoe Association, Inc. is pleased to announce that it has approved the addition of the Snowshoe Half Marathon (13.1 miles) and Snowshoe Marathon (26.2 miles) events to its National Snowshoe Championship Program. The Snowshoe Half Marathon event will be added in 2015 when the U.S. National Snowshoe Championships rotate to Eau Claire, WI. The Snowshoe Marathon event will be added at a future date. According to numerous members of the U.S. Snowshoe Assoc. Board of Regional Athletic Delegates, “The growing popularity of these longer snowshoe race events is responsible for their inclusion in the national championship program at this time.”

The first true U.S. National Snowshoe Half Marathon Championship will take place on Sunday March 1st, 2015 at the Lowe’s County Park in Eau Claire WI as part of the 15th Annual USSSA 2015 U.S. National Snowshoe Championships. The top three overall men and women will earn National Championship awards as will the top 3 male and female finishers in the following age groups; 19 & Under, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60-69 and 70+. Athletes will need to qualify in order to participate in the event. First, athletes will need to be current USSSA members. Then, they will need to meet at least one of the following qualifying standards: 1) “A” Standard -have completed a half marathon or longer snowshoe race event from December 1st, 2013 to March 1st, 2015 OR 2)have completed a 10km or longer snowshoe race from December 1st, 2014 to March 1st, 2015. All USSSA rules will be followed in the event.