

## The Azimuth

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## **Executive Council meeting** September 8, 2000

At the Fall meeting of the executive council, the following items were discussed:

## CFE requirement to be clarified.

Currently, there is some confusion as

to what exactly the requirements are for a member to maintain his/ her CFT accreditation. The executive has proposed an amendment to the constitution, requiring that CFT's must obtain a CFE certificate within three years of their certification date. Many people are under the impression that this was already the requirement, but it was not clearly spelled out in the constitution. Work is under way to make category one (structured

learning) more readily available to the general membership. One possible option would be videotaped Address list: Curcourses. rently, our address list is not up to date. (Cont. on P. 2 Executive M The NBFTA secretary will put together an updated list of current

## **Sylvicon 2001, Feb 20 - 22**

NBFTA'S initiative to join Sylvicon has been very well received by the organizing committee. In fact, our participation appears to breathe a new enthusiasm among the other participating organizations; the RPFs', CIF and the Forest Products Association. The chairmanship rotates between the associations, this year it is the Forest Products Association's turn, with executive director Yvon Poitras as chairperson for Sylvicon 2001. Mr. Poitras is determined to make some major changes to the format, advocating a



## Todd MacPherson receives Technician of the year award

## **Atlantic Forestry Review Subscriptions** Available to members at cut-rate price

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## **NBFTA Commit**ment to the Canada **Forest Accord**

The NBFTA was accepted as a signatory to the Canada Forest Accord in 1998. This is Canada's second Accord, spanning the period of 1998 2003. Upon signing the Accord, our Association became one of 42 Government Non-Government entities that form the National Forest Strategy Coalition (NFSC).

The Canada Forest Accord is supported by The National Forest Strategy (1998 -2003). Sustainable Forests, A Canadian Commitment. (Cont. on P 5 Forestry Accord)In essence, the Strategy

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## From the President's Desk/ Message du Président



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s autumn colors paint the surrounding landscape with its glory, we can feel winter around the corner. It has been a busy summer for the NBFTA, with your new executive becoming familiar with their duties and The business at hand. Regional Representatives are preparing fall regional meetings. The membership Committee, under the direction of Allie DeGrace, is putting together a new promotional program that will be ready for the AGM at Sylvicon 2001. And with the CFE and Certification committees working on to clarify the constitution about CFT's and the Continuing Forestry Education Program, your Board Members have been busy. But they are not too busy to hear from you, the membership. They need to hear what direction you want the Board to take on issues which affect forestry in New Brunswick. If they affect Forestry in this province then they effect the NBFTA. We are over 300 strong and our voice must be heard on issues that affect our livelihoods. As a united organization we can do that. To grow, we must promote. Promote and we will be heard. By being heard, we can make a difference. This is your organization. If you have an issue then take it to your regional meeting or contact your Regional Representative so it can be address by the executive. That is why we are here, to make the difference on issues that affect NB Forest Technicians.

automne qui peint le paysage de ses magnifiques couleurs, ne fait qu'annoncer l'hiver. L'été qui vient de s'écouler a été occupé pour la direction de L'ATFNB, surtout pour les nouveaux élus qui ont du apprendre leurs taches au sein de 1 'association. Les représentants régionaux se préparent pour les réunions automnales. Le président du comité de Allie DeGrace, et promotion, travailleurs, travaillent présentement sur un ensemble visuel pour promouvoir notre Elle sera prête pour association. l'assemblée générale annuelle qui aura lieu à Silvicon en février 2001. D'autre part, la constitution sera révisée pour clarifier les responsabilités du technicien forestier agréé vis-à-vis le programme de Continuing Forestry Education.

Malgré tout le temps qu'impliquent ces travaux, nous avons encore le temps de Vous, les membres de vous écouter. l'association, êtes notre direction. C'est à vous de nous dire quelle direction l'association doit se diriger et quelles sont vos inquiétudes et vos désirs, surtout en ce qui concerne L'ATFNB sur les aspects de la foresterie au Nouveau Brunswick. Vous pouvez nous exprimer vos opinions en assistant aux réunions régionales ou en communiquants avec votre représentant régional. Nous sommes au - delà de 300 membres et notre voix, comme association, doit être entendue sur les points importants de la foresterie qui affecte notre gagne pain.

## **Executive Meeting (Cont. fr. Page 1)**

members, and all members will be invoiced for their dues in early January.

### **Forest Certification:**

The advisory committee will look into how Certified Forest Technicians could fit into Forest Certific ation.

## **Atlantic Forestry Review:**

The magazine will become available free of charge to CTF's. Non-certified members will be able to get it for \$10.00/year.

## **CFE** scholarship fund:

Currently, we have \$4000 available. There was some discussion as how to best spend the money to make Structured learning available for category 1 CFE credits. Suggestions included videos, teaching mini courses at regional meetings, videotaping seminars etc.

## Tree house:

Rick Doucette will be the Associations representative on the Treehouse. NBFTA will join the Treehouse, and there is a possibility that we could share some administrative resources with them.

## **CFT exams:**

There will be a CFT exam in each

region on November 25, 2000. A mail-out will go to all non-certified members in accordance with the constitution.

**Reciprocity** (One provinces certification recognized in another):

We are currently discussing this with NSFTA, but we are waiting for a response.

## Regional reps:

Needed for region 1 and 4, Danny McDougall is the new rep for region 5

A memorial plaque recognizing deceased members will be looked at by the advisory committee. Possible location is the MFRS.

## PEI Technicians:

Looking to join up with technicians in New Brunswick or Nova Scotia.

## **CIF Rings:**

Will be available in the future for graduate technicians.

## **Forest Stewardship Council:**

The advisory committee will look at what NBFTA's involvement should be at this time.

The complete version of the minutes are available at http://foresttechnicians.com/nbfta

## Sylvicon (Cont. fr. P 1)

(Cont on P 2 Sylvicon) less formal setting with more time to interact, and a more "down to earth" agenda. The theme will be "Forestry is our Business", emphasizing that profit is not a bad word, and that it is possible to care for the environment and maintain conventional business interests at the same time. A motivational business speaker will deliver the keynote address, and comedian Marshall Buttons (Lucien) will entertain us during lunch. NBFTA will host an information session which will show what NBFTA is and what we stand for. This will be a golden opportunity (and a great challenge) for us to establish ourselves as a credible organization of forestry professionals. A fresh promotional campaign is planned for the event, with an entirely newly designed pamphlet with all four logos on it. Location has not yet been determined, but probably not be the Sheraton because of the expense. Please mark these days on your calendar. Not only does this bode well for a very rewarding AGM for ourselves (not to mention the CFE credits), but with good participation it may very

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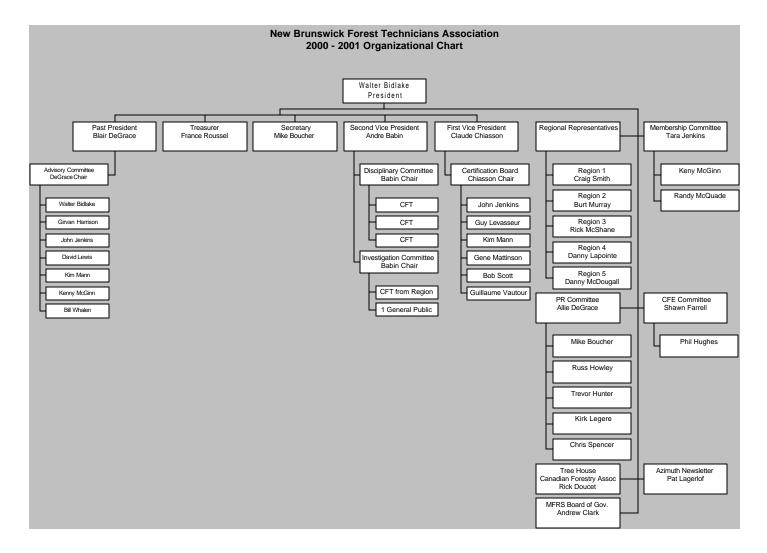
minimum of 10 members to subscribe to receive the Atlantic Review at the reduced rate of \$10.00, tax included. At the last Executive Board Meeting this issue was discussed and it was passed that the NBFTA would pay for the subscriptions of all CFT's at the reduced rate plus offer the discount to any member that would like to receive the Atlantic Review. To receive the magazine, members (in good standing) would have to send a check for \$10.00 to their regional representative or France Roussel. Their name in turn would be passed on to the magazine. Any who already receives the magazine would have their subscription extended by one year.

This is a very good regional forestry magazine that will keep you in touch with what is going on around the Atlantic Provinces. It is also a convenient way for CFT's to earn category II CFE credits. It just doesn't get any better than this.

## NBFTA PRESIDENT MAKES THE FRONT PAGE

A story that ran in the Daily Gleaner in early September featured NBFTA president Walter Bidlake on the front page. At issue was the gas pipe line that is currently being installed under the streets of Fredericton for distribution to local homes and businesses. The digging is a potential threat to the adjacent trees, and Walter was interviewed on the matter. This provided valuable exposure of NBFTA.





## FORESTRY ACCORD (Cont. fr P1)

is our National 5 Year Sustainable Resource Management Plan.

Each Coalition Member is urged to develop & submit a plan of action outlining the specifics of how it aims to support the commitments made under the Strategy. The NBFTA submitted its plan on March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2000.

An Expert Evaluation Panel is carrying out an independent mid-term evaluation of the Accord and the Strategy. Your NBFTA Executive will be extending full cooperation to this independent assessment of our accomplishments.

Please contact the writer if you would like to have your own copy of our plan. It is also posted on the NBFTA Website at <a href="http://forest-technicians.com/nbfta">http://forest-technicians.com/nbfta</a>

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## STOP THIEF!!! TRESPASS AND WOOD THEFT

The Minister of Natural Resources & Energy, Hon. Jeannot Volpe, has set up a committee to study the serious and growing problem of wood theft on both private and crown land. This committee will also be looking at the problem of trespassing on private property. The Committee consists of representatives from Departments of Public Safety, Justice and DNRE, the RCMP, Industry, and Farmer and Woodlot Federations.

NBFTA Member, Andrew Clarke, President of the New Brunswick Federation of Woodlot Owners, made a presentation to the YSC Marketing board on the committees work to date. This is a summary of the information provided,

- The Law Shift onus, from landowner to harvester or trespasser. Notice of Commencement of Harvest to Adjacent Landowners should be mandatory.
- Clear Penalties; Civil or Crimenal
- A special Investigations unit from law enforcement agencies
- Education: "Information sessions" for RCMP, Crown Prosecutors, Judges
- A fund to support owner's legal claims
- Prevention, i.e. Rural watchForest Industry Buying Practices
- Agreement not to touch questionable wood. (Penalties?)

Most of the above work has focused on wood theft and a lot of work still remains on other trespass issues. ATV's, Tree Stands, Tipping, Road Damage, etc.

Some of the issues that the committee has discussed are the coloured disc system, which is currently considered un-enforcable; legal penalties; police procedures and above all, education. Property damage to trees and plantations is poorly understood by Police and Crown Prosecutors. ATV owners should require a license that clearly spells out that they don't have the right to travel on private property without the owners permission. Hunters need to be made aware that tree stands- property damage.

This is an on going committee and if anyone has any suggestions on these important issues you should forward them to the New Brunswick Federation of Woodlot Owners, care of Andrew Clarke or Peter DeMarsh. Their address is 180 St. John St. Fredericton, N.B. E3B 4A9, e-mail: nbfwo@nbnet.nb.ca.

In Conclusion, It was mentioned at that during a higher profile wood theft case the contractor was found not guilty, partially because a forestry student had told him were he thought the boundary line was, even though he/she has no authority to do so. As member of the NBFTA we should try not to add to this problem and leave the establishing of boundary lines to licensed surveyors or adjacent landowners mutual agreement.

Rick Doucett, CFT

## Money does grow on trees

"Hey Joe, stud wood has gone up to \$180 a cord. We should go out and cut that bunch out back. You gotta get it when the getting's good."

This is a common topic of conversation during the last year. When stud wood is up, there is a long line of ½ ton and ton trucks out side Devon Lumber with a cord or two on, so they can get top price.

We have seen wood prices raise and fall over the recent past. For the most part, timing is everything. Veneer prices have gone up for top quality logs. Buyers are paying \$500 to \$1000 for one log. But what about getting \$10,000 for a single tree.

In a recent article in The Globe and Mail. Headlines read' The \$50.000 tree'. The article went on to talk about a new trend in forestry, the Urban Forest. In some of the larger cities the Urban Forest is gaining more prestige has people are become more educated in what trees and plants provide for us. In the asphalt jungle, trees the can be an oasis, providing shade, cooling breezes, collect pollution from the air plus provide us with oxygen. Homeowners are also spending more time at home so they want their backvards to look and feel like the resort they vacationed at last winter. Here is where trees are becoming more than just a pulp stick.

The article mentions some homeowners when moving are taking trees that hold sentimental value with them. This may involve moving a 50 – 80 year old tree. It takes large equip-

ment and lots of care to move a tree of this size. A rule of thumb in moving a large tree is, the root ball should be10" in diameter for every 1" of trunk diameter. A 10" tree would require a root ball of 8.3 feet across and 3.3 feet in depth. A conservative estimate of the weight of the tree and root ball of this size, would be 8.4 tons. You need cranes and tractor-trailers to move trees of this size and can cost up to \$15,000.

Who does the moving and who takes care of the trees once their back in the ground. Arborists! This is a new breed of forest professional that works in the Urban Forest. They may be a graduate of the Ranger School or be from an Agricultural College. Where ever they come from, they all have the same longing for trees and care of trees that all forest technicians have. They have to know what

makes trees grow, how they compartmentalize injuries and how and when to take a tree down in the crowded urban setting. No free falls here. It is rope, blocks and techniques that make or break the profit line on these jobs.

The arborist profession is not new as it can be traced back to ancient Japan, when Bonsai trees techniques were developed. Here in New Brunswick, it is relatively new but as pressure is being applied to develop and protect natural settings in towns and cities the demand is increasing. A good example is the elm trees in Fredericton. In most areas in New Brunswick, the elms have succumbed to the Dutch elm Disease. In Fredericton, with the support of the Fredericton Tree Commission and the development of a tree Department, they have staved off

the disease to save over 75% of the pre nineteen sixty elms. The tree dept. has two foresters and four MFRS graduates, all of which are a Certified Arborist through the International Society of Arboriculture (ISA).

The ISA is an international nonprofit organization whose purpose is to promote and improve the practice of arboriculture by stimulating greater interest in planting and preservation of trees. They do this by promoting public awareness and supporting scientific investigation of problems concerning arboriculture.

The local Chapter of the ISA has been very active in creating and providing training in the arboricultural electrical awareness aspect of tree maintenance work. This electrical training is very important to the urban forest professional along with the rural forest professional as every year

power lines are knocked down by woods contractors dropping trees on power lines or making contact with power lines with booms and logging trucks. This can lead to a disastrous end with lost of equipment and even death.

You can see that there are many ways trees can provide us with a living besides traditional logging. Also trees can be worth more to us than just fibre material, it just depends where you live and how you look at a tree. To all of us, trees are nature's air conditioner. To some they are of special value depending on who planted them and where they are planted. Others make their living climbing and caring for them. In the long run it makes very little difference, as forest professionals we all care, nurture and depend on trees for our living, so to us money

## **Certification Exam**

Please note that the next NBFTA Certification Exam is scheduled to be held November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2000 and will be the last one for the year. If you are interested in becoming **Certified** you must have completed thirty-six (36) months of post graduate forestry experience and you must return the following information at least one month (whenever applicable) prior to the writing date in order to be eligible to write the exam on the announced date.

- 1. The appropriate application form, well completed.
- 2. A copy of your Forest Technician School Diploma.
- 3. Letters of recommendation from 2 CFT's who are members of this Association.
- 4. \$30.00 examination fee.

Once the application has been received, you will be notified as to the time and place the exam will be held. Whenever possible, the exams are held in each of the 5 DNRE regions of the province.

**Note:** The exam shall last 4 hours and you must attain a minimum passmark of 75%. Send the above information to:

Claude Chiasson Chairman, Certification Board 678, Rt. 315 DUNLOP, N.B. E8K 2M6 (506)-546-2905 Le comité d'agrément de L'ATFNB désire vous informer que le dernier examen de certification pour l'année aura lieu le 25 novembre 2000. Si vous désirez tenter l'examen vous devrez posséder trente-six mois d'expérience pertinente acceptable suivant l'obtention de votre diplôme. Vous devrez aussi retourner l'information suivante un mois (lorsqu'applicable) à l'avance de la date d'examen pour nous permettre de nous préparer;

- 1. L'application, bien complétée.
- 2. Une copie de votre diplôme de l'école de f o r e s t e r i e d o n t vous êtes diplômé.
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- 3. Deux lettres de recommandations de membres agréés de cette Association.
- 4. Un frais administratif de \$30.00.

Lorsque votre application aura été reçu, vous serez informé du lieu et l'heure de l'examen. Lorsque possible, les examens ont lieu dans chacune des régions administratives du MRNE.

<u>Notez</u>: L'examen est d'une durée de quatre heures et la note de réussite est 75%. Veuillez poster-le tout à:

Claude Chiasson Président, Comité de l'agrément 678, Route 315 DUNLOP, N.B. E8K 2M6 (506)546-2905

## Examen de Certification

## **Réunion Importante**

## Région 1

# Il y aura une réunion le 30 octobre, 2000 dans le local 221 au Collège Communautaire du Nouveau Brunswick situé au 725 rue du Collège à Bathurst. Cette réunion a pour but d'élire un(e) représentant(e) régionale pour la région 1 et débutera à 19h30. Tous les membres sont priés d'y assister.

Claude Chiasson, Craig Smith Représentants régionaux, Région 1

## Region 1 Meeting Announcement

The will be a Regional Meeting to elect a regional representative for

Region 1, on October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2000 at the New Brunswick Community College, 725 College St., Bathurst, NB, in room 221 starting at 7:30 pm.

All members are urged to attend.

Claude Chiasson, Craig Smith Regional Representatives, Region 1

## Fraser Papers CFT Elected as NBFTA Region 5 Representative

Congratulations to Danny McDougall who was elected on September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2000 as NBFTA Regional Representative for Region 5 (North-Western New Brunswick). Danny is a Certified Forest Technician who graduated from the Maritime Forest Ranger School in 1981 and works in the Tobique District overseeing harvesting, chipping, trucking and transportation operations.

Best of luck to Danny in his new role of actively promoting the objectives of the Association and as an outreach of the NBFTA Executive Board. He can be reached at work in Plaster Rock (506)356-4282, at home in Riley Brook at (506)356-2497 or electronically at rbsouth@nb.sympatico.com.

## Did you pay your dues?

There are presently some outstanding 2000 dues. For members who have not yet paid their dues, please forward to me at the address below.

Any questions regarding your dues, receipts or address change, do not hesitate to get in touch with me.

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## Field guide for identi-fying birdseye maple

Every private landowner or forest manager knows the importance of obtaining the maximum value possible from all harvested trees. Although inspection of individual trees can be very time-consuming in industrial operations, it pays to detect valuable trees, such as sugar maple

stems with "birdseye" wood grain. Some forestry companies even offer a finder's fee to staff who identify birdseye maple.

A field guide published by CERFO (the Centre d'Enseignement et de Recherche en Foresterie, Ste-Foy, Que.) in 1995, and available in both official languages, should help. The guide is intended for tree markers, forestry workers, and forest managers, and focuses on identifying birdseye maple. The guide describes four steps in identifying birdseye maple: location of avorable sites; tree identification from a distance; reference criteria ("indicators") for close-up inspection of the stems; and the confirmation of birdseye maple through direct observation of the wood grain.

The reliability and frequency of each indicator is illustrated using a series of illustrations and tree symbols that re-

flect the success rate and the percentage of birdseye maples found with each indicator. The guide also provides some visual clues that are commonly misinterpreted as being indicators. The field guide concludes with the basic requirements for grading logs established by t

Quebec Ministry of Natural Resources.

The Field Guide for Identifying Birdseye Maple can be purchased from the following address:

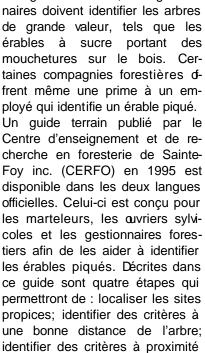
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## Guide-terrain pour l'identification de l'érable piqué

Chaque propriétaire de terrain boisé et gestionnaire forestier connaissent l'importance d'obtenir la valeur maximale des arbres à récolter. Bien que l'inspection de chaque arbre peut demander des efforts supplémentaires lors d'opérations forestières à grande échelle, les gestion-

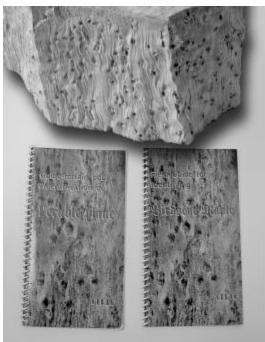


de l'arbre; et confirmer la présence de mouchetures par l'observation directe du bois.

La fiabilité est représentée par une série de symboles de mouches qui correspond à la portion de succès de ce critère, tandis que la fréquence d'un critère représenté par une série de symboles d'arbre démontre la proportion d'érables piqués échantillonnés ayant ce critère. Dans le guide on retrouve aussi des faux critères qui sont communément mal interprétés pour identifier des érables piqués. Des critères de base dans la classification de billes établis par le ministère des Ressources naturelles du Québec sont aussi expliqués dans ce guide. Ce guide-terrain pour l'identification de l'érable piqué est disponible à l'adresse suivante :

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Nom de l'institution fréquentée

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### ATFNB/NBFTA

## Selected relevant sections of Legislation pertaining to the Certification exam.

## Sections des lois faisant objet à l'examen de certification

1. Crown Lands and Forests Act

(Valeur/Value 17%)

Loi sur les terres et forêts de la Couronne

- Definitions, pages 5-8
- Sections 28, 29(1) -(9), 30(1) (2), 31, 32, 39, 41(1) (3), 48, 49(1) (3), 56(1), 67.1(1) (3), 68(1) (2), 68.1, 73, 74, 75(1).
- 2. Occupational Health and Safety Act

(Valeur/Value 15%)

Loi sur l'hygiène et la sécurité au travail

- Definitions
- Sections 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 19
- Reg. 92 133 1 8
- Reg. 88 221 5 6(4)
- 3. Forest Fires Act / Loi sur les incendies de forêts

(Valeur/Value 11%)

- Definitions, pages 2-4
- Entire Act/ Loi entière
- Reg. 84-204 1-16(3)
- 4. **Pesticides Control Act**

(Valeur Value 8%)

Loi sur le contrôle des pesticides

- -Definitions, pages 1-3
- Sections 4, 6(1), 6(2), 9, 14, 15, 16(2), 18(1)-(2), 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 24.1
- 5. Clean Water Act / Loi sur l'assainissement de l'eau

(Valeur/Value 5%)

- Definitions, pages 3-10
- Sections 3(1) (3), 9, 10(1), 10(2) A B, 12(1) ABC
- Reg. 90-80 1-22(2)
- 6. Scalers Act / Loi sur les mesureurs

(Valeur/Value 5%)

- Sections 1, 6, 8, 11, 12, 13
- 7. Trespass Act / Loi sur les actes d'intrusion

(Valeur/Value 3%)

- Definitions, pages 2-5
- Sections 2.1(1), 2.2(F-G), 3(1) (3), 7(1) (4), 9, 10
- 8. NBFTA Code of Ethics / Code de déontologie de l'ATFNB (Valeur/Value 36%)

## **Proposed Constitutional Change**

- 4.1 Officers shall hold office at the pleasure of the Association for a minimum of one year.
- 4.2-1 1 To maintain continuity in the Association, the members of the Executive are expected to start at second Vice President, and subsequently hold the offices of First Vice President, President and Past President, which is a four-year commitment to the Association. 4.2- The nominating committee shall consist of the Past-President and the Regional Executive member from each region
- 4.2-3 Nominations from the membership may be made to the nominating committee up until thirty days prior to the annual general meeting.
- 4.2-4 Any certified member in good standing may be nominated for any office.
- 4.2-5 Nominations for an office must be made in writing to the chair of the nominating committee, signed by two Certified members and must be accompanied by a signed letter of acceptance by the nominee
- 4.2-6 During the associations annual general meeting, the chair of the nominating committee shall submit to the membership nominations for each of the offices.
- 4.2-7 Nominations for an office will only be accepted from the floor at an annual general meeting when the nominating committee has received no nominations for that office.
- 4.2-8 To be elected to an office a candidate must receive a majority vote, which is 50% plus one ballot. Voting will be by secret ballot.
- 4.2-9 Two members in good standing, not nominated for an office, shall be appointed as scrutineers.

## **Bylaws**

Old

8.1 The Nominating Committee shall be comprised of the President and the Regional Executive members.

## Proposed

- 8.1 The Nominating Committee shall be comprised of the Past-President and the Regional Executive members.
- 13.11 The Executive Board on the advice of the Disciplinary Committee has the authority to discipline a member. Disciplinary action, which may be taken against a culpable member, includes:
  - 13.11-1 A written reprimand.
  - 13.11-2 Being directed to take Continuing Forestry Education.
  - 13.11-3 Being put on probation.

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- 13.11-4 Being suspended for up to five years.
- 13.11-5 Being permanently suspended from the NBFTA.
- 13.11-6 Or any appropriate combination of the above.
- 13.11-7 Or any reasonable appropriate action in conjunction with any of the above actions would be deemed as less severe than the actions indicated.
- 13 11-8 Or no action

## Proposed

- 13.11 The Executive Board on the advice of the disciplinary Committee has the authority to discipline a member. Disciplinary action, against a culpable member, may include but is not limited to:
- 13.11-1 Written reprimand.
- 13.11-2 Being directed to take appropriate Continuing Forestry Education.
- 13.11-3 Being put on probation for a period not to exceed one year.
- 13.11-4 Suspension from the NBFTA for up to five years. Re-instated on a recommendation from the disciplinary committee.
- 13.11-5 Permanent suspension from the NBFTA.
- 13.11-6 Repealed AGM 2001
- 13.11-7 Repealed AGM 2001
- 13.11-8 Repealed AGM 2001

Old

16.1 Three members of the Certification Board will mark and grade each examination.

## Proposed

- 16.1 Any member of the Certification Board shall have the authority to grade exams. All candidates shall be notified of the results in writing by the chair of the nominating committee.
- Old. Non-existent

## Proposed

16.3 Candidates who receive a failing grade on the certification exam may request a reassessment of their exam within fourteen days in writing to the chair of the Certification Board. Two members of the Certification Board other than the member who originally graded the exam will do the reassessment.

## CENTRAL NEW BRUNSWICK WOODSMEN'S MUSEUM FORESTRY HALL OF FAME

## Background:

In 1998 the Central New Brunswick Woodsmen's Museum located in Boiestown, granted permission to the New Brunswick Forest Technicians Association to induct suitable candidates into their Forestry Hall of Fame.

## NBFTA Induction Criteria:

An NBFTA induction to the Forestry Hall of Fame will honour a New Brunswick forest technician/technologists for a distinguished career in forestry and/or for very significant contributions to the practice of forestry in New Brunswick.

## Nomination and Presentation Protocol:

- 1. Any NBFTA member in good standing may nominate any suitable New Brunswick forest technician/ technologists at any time using the appropriate signed form.
- 2. A nomination should be accurate, complete, verifiable and signed by two other NBFTA members in good standing.
- 3. The NBFTA Executive Committee will solicit nominations from the membership annually via the Azimuth.
- 4. Any number of nominations will be received and maintained by the NBFTA Executive Committee and each nomination will remain active for five years from the date of submission.
- 5. The NBFTA Executive Committee will serve as the Selection Committee and may select up to two inductees per year.
- 6. The NBFTA will produce a standard plaque (framed picture and citation) for the Forestry Hall of Fame, and a suitable keeper plaque for the inductee.
- 7. A formal presentation by the NBFTA President will be made to the inductee or surviving family member at the next NBFTA Annual General Meeting, and shall also be publicly announced in a provincial newspaper.
- 8. The Executive Committee will forward the inductee' (s') standard plaque(s) to the Central New Brunswick Woodsmen's Museum following the A. G. M.

## CENTRAL NEW BRUNSWICK WOODSMEN'S MUSEUM

## HALL OF FAME

NBFTA Nomination Report Format

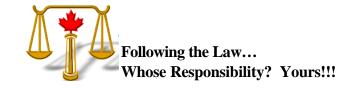
Information will be accurate, complete, and verifiable and follow the prescribed NBFTA Nomination Report Format.

The Executive Committee of the New Brunswick Forest Technicians Association may research any information given.

- 1. Name in full (nickname if any) of Nominee:
- 2. Date Of Birth
- 3. Place of Birth:
- 4. Current Address:
- 5. If Deceased, date and place:
- 6. Family Information: Spouses Name: Children:
- 7. Formal Education:
- 8. Summary of Outstanding Achievements in New Brunswick:
- 9. Special Awards or Recognition:
- 10. Other Information of Significance:
- 11. Names and addresses and signatures of the three persons making the Nomination.

Nomination Report Forms should be forwarded to:

Mike Boucher Secretary, NBFTA 1350 Regent Street Fredericton NB E3C 2G6



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If you find it difficult accessing our laws, a great tool exists to make this aspect of your work much easier, provided you have an internet connection.

The Federal & Provincial Departments of Justice operate internet websites which house all Acts and Regulations from the respective jurisdictions. The sites are designed to be very user friendly. h-formation can easily be downloaded or printed.

For New Brunswick Provincial Legislation use: http://www.gov.nb.ca/justice/asrlste.htm

For Canadian Federal Legislation use: http://canada.justice.gc.ca/loireg/index\_en.html

Bookmark these sites and share them with your colleagues. The Provincial site is an excellent tool to help prepare for the Certified Forest Technician Examination.

## **TOO MANY SYSTEMS (***This article appeared in the YSC Newsletter last spring. Reprinted with permission*)

While choice is healthy, with over seventy certification systems available worldwide, picking the right system for your company or organization can be daunting. The Forest Certification Conference, held last spring in Fredericton, helped forestry folk make the right pick by bringing together proponents, users, critics, and skeptics of the various systems under the same roof. In the Maritime region, the choices essentially boil down to four. There is the home-built Canadian Standards Association (CSA), the U.S. born-and-bred Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI), the Geneva-based International Standards Organization (ISO), and the controversial Forestry Stewardship Council (FSC). Despite a huge movement over the last year among Canadian forest companies towards ISO, most interest at the conference was directed towards what was going on with FSC.

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## CFS NEWS: Excerpts from Forest S&T Watch, Atlantic Forestry Center

Brown Spruce Longhorn Beetle - Information Bulletin The Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) is producing a monthly information bulletin on the status of the brown spruce longhorn beetle situation in the Halifax Regional Municipality. In an effort to keep information current and available, this bulletin highlights several areas of

interest: Status report, research, related information etc... The Canadian Forest Service contributes science and research content to this bulletin. For example, in the September 2000 issue, we discuss red spruce and some of the research concerns that exist with respect to this important, long-lived tree species. To obtain your copy of the Info Bulletin, please visit the

CFIA website:

http://www.cfia-acia.agr.ca/english/ppc/science/pps/bslb/bslbhp e.shtml

Le longicorne brun de l'épinette - Bulletin d'information L'Agence canadienne d'inspection des aliments (ACIA) produit un bulletin d'information mensuel sur la situation du longicorne brun de l'épinette dans

la région de la municipalité régionale de Halifax. Pour que cette information demeure à jour et disponible, on met l'accent sur divers sujets d'intérêt : rapport de situation, recherche, renseignements connexes, etc.

Le Service canadien des forêts collabore au contenu scientifique et de recherche du bulletin. Par exemple, dans le numéro de septembre 2000, il était question de l'épinette rouge et des préoccupations en matière de recherche relatives à cette importante espèce ligneuse à longue durée de vie. Pour consulter le bulletin d'information, visitez le site Web de l'ACIA

à l'adresse suivante :

http://www.cfia-acia.agr.ca/francais/ppc/science/pps/bslb/bslbhp\_f.shtml