



NRES WEEKLY NEWS

February 17 - February 24, 2006

A newsletter for faculty, staff and students
who participate in the
Natural Resources & Environmental Studies Institute
and NRES Graduate Programs

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24

THE NRES / CSAM RESEARCH COLLOQUIUM SERIES

“Why are There so Many Grizzly Bears?”

Date: Friday, February 24, 2006

Time: 3:30 pm

Place: Room 6 - 205/211



Mr. Doug Heard
Senior Wildlife Biologist
BC Ministry of Environment

Refreshments served at 3:20 pm

PRINCE GEORGE ICEMAN A GREAT SUCCESS

- The RRT Touron's (**Pat Maher** - ski, **Jovan Simic** -10 and 5k run, **Pam Wright** -skate, **Anne Hardy** - swim) want to send out a big thanks to all the NRES faculty, staff and other UNBC folks who organized and volunteered for this year's Iceman competition.



We had a great time with perfect weather, a superbly organized event, and a decent race standing at the end. Next year we'll try and both volunteer and compete.

PUBLICATIONS

- Milota, M.R.; West, C.D.; **Hartley, I.D.** 2005. Gate-to-Gate Life-Cycle Inventory of Softwood Lumber Production. Wood and Fiber Science 37 (Corrim Special Issue) 47-57.
- Thommasen, H.V., **Hanlon, N.**, Tallio, B., Thommasen, C., and Zhan, W., 2006, Alcohol drinking habits and community perspectives on alcohol abuse in the Bella Coola Valley. The Canadian Journal of Rural Medicine 11(1): 15-21.



TRAVEL

- **Art Fredeen** will be presenting a paper at the 2006 FLUX-NET-CANADA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING in Victoria, British Columbia, February 24 – 26.
- **Paul Sanborn** (ESM) and **Sarah Boon** (Geography) traveled to Smithers to attend the annual general meeting of the Bulkley Valley Centre for Natural Resources Research & Management on February 7th. Paul was re-elected as a Director of the Centre for 2006. The Centre is a non-profit society that conducts interdisciplinary research on temperate, montane, and boreal ecosystems, including their human dimensions. The purpose of the Centre is to advance scientific and technical knowledge as well as improve public understanding of the sustainable management of natural resources. More information is available at: <http://www.bvcentre.ca/>
- On Friday, February 17th, **Paul Sanborn** attended a symposium at UBC to mark the 90th birthday of Ross Mackay, Canada's leading permafrost researcher. The event included a poster session, and Paul's presentation was entitled "Full-glacial paleosols in perennially frozen loess sequences, Klondike goldfields, Yukon Territory",



co-authored by Scott Smith (Agriculture Canada), Duane Froese (Alberta), Grant Zazula (SFU), and John Westgate (Toronto).

- **Staffan Lindgren** was in Victoria Feb 13-17 to work on a collaborative project with Dr. Robb Bennett, BC Ministry of Forests. **Staffan Lindgren and Dezene Huber** were in Vancouver on Wednesday, February 15, for a meeting to coordinate research on conifer resistance to insects, particularly bark beetles.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- On Thursday, **March 16th**, the **NRES Institute** (with the support of the Canfor/ Doug Little Endowment) will host the first NRESI Annual Lecture. The lecture will be preceded by a poster session, featuring research by NRES graduate students and NRES Institute members. Following the poster presentation and buffet dinner, **Dr. William Rees** (UBC) will deliver his talk entitled "Let's Get Serious about Sustainability (or is it already too late?)".



Mark your calendars!

REMINDER: Share your information about recent publications, grants, and /or other honours you may have received with others interested in NRES issues.

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