



# NRES WEEKLY NEWS

## May 27 - June 7, 2013

A newsletter for faculty, staff and students  
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### TRAVEL / CONFERENCES / RESEARCH

A number of NRESi members and NRES graduate and undergraduate students are presenting or are represented at the 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Canadian Botanical Association's (CBA's) meetings at Thompson River University in Kamloops BC from 1 - 6 June..

**Jane Young** will be presenting a poster: "Trends and changes in emergent vegetation biodiversity of a managed wetland." authored by Matt E. Dyson and Jane P. Young. This poster was based off of Matt's undergraduate thesis. Jane is also the Treasurer for the CBA and a judge for the best student poster at the conference.

**Hugues Massicotte** is serving as past-president of the CBA at the meetings and is a coauthor for several graduate student and an undergraduate presentations.

"Thriving in adversity: Douglas-fir ectomycorrhizal fungal communities in ultramafic and limestone bedrock-derived soils of central British Columbia." by Kirsten Kilde, Hugues and Paul Sanborn.

"Assessing the degree of mixotrophy using measurements of photosynthesis and stable carbon isotopes in three Pyroleae species after Mountain Pine Beetle attack in central British Columbia." by Rebecca Bowler, Art and Hugues.

"A small scale ecological study of British Columbia *Drosera*." by James Jones, Hugues and Art.

**Art Fredeen** is leading a paneled session on '*New Frontiers of Tree Biology*' on June 4<sup>th</sup> from 8:00-12:00am and is co-author on a number of students papers including one by NRES M.Sc. student Wyatt Klopp entitled: "Applying carbon management in Boreal forests." authored by Wyatt and Art.

Ian Picketts, DK Kang, Kabir Rasouli and **Stephen Déry** of the Northern Hydrometeorology Group participated in the joint CMOS/CGU/CWRA congress in Saskatoon from 26 - 30 May. They delivered a total of 6 presentations during the congress and Stephen also co-chaired a session on snow, ice, permafrost and related processes.

**Stephen Déry** participated in the ESCER Annual Science Meeting at UQAM in Montreal between 14 - 16 May..



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Ben McGrath and **Stephen Déry** will be traveling to northeastern British Columbia on 10 June to set up the Cariboo Alpine Mesonet's tenth weather station at Coles Lake, near the border with the Northwest Territories in an on-going project looking at the hydrometeorology of the region.

**Oscar Garcia** travelled to Ireland 1 - 5 June invited to participate as External Examiner in a PhD defence at University College Dublin. The thesis "The development of dynamic yield models for conifers, broadleaves and mixtures in Ireland" is part of a government research program based on methodology originally developed by Oscar in New Zealand.

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