



Woodland Owner Review

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Nova Scotia Woodlot Owner of the Year Fall Field Days

Congratulations to the 2005 Woodlot Owners of the Year:

Provincial Winners - Tom and Lori Miller
Greenhill, Pictou Co.

Eastern Winner- Jeremy Frith
North River, Victoria Co.

Western Winner - Dwight Sanders
New Ross, Lunenburg Co.



Tom and Lori Miller, with their children Christy and Matt, receiving the 2005 Provincial Woodlot Owner of the Year Award from Bill Langille, MLA Clochester North

Successful field days were held on all three woodlots. Thank you to the **Lunenburg County Christmas Tree Producers Association** for jointly hosting the western field day in conjunction with their annual trade show. Many thanks to the **Nova Scotia Woodlot Owners and Operators Association** and the **Nova Forest Alliance** for partnering with DNR to host a successful provincial field day. And to the winners, Tom and Lori, Jeremy, Dwight, their families and staff - thank you for all your hard work and welcoming us onto your land!

Do You Know An Outstanding Woodlot Owner? We are looking for next year's Woodlot Owners of the Year. Eligibility information and short nomination forms can be found on our web site: www.gov.ns.ca/natr/extension/woya/woya

Upcoming Events - Mark Your Calender!

Winter Short Courses on Woodland Management

Evening courses on Introduction to Woodland Management will be held in the following locations:

Antigonish - Thursday January 19th
DNR Office - 190 Beech Hill Road

Kentville - Tuesday January 24th
Agriculture Research Center-Cornwallis Rm

Guysborough - Tuesday January 24th
DNR Office - Highway 16

Bridgewater - Thursday January 26th
Lunenburg Campus of the Nova Scotia Community College - Room C112A

Coxheath - Tuesday February 15th
DNR Office - 300 Mountain Rd

Whycocomagh - Thursday February 16th
DNR office - 9733 Provincial Park Rd

Truro - Tuesday February 21st
Truro Campus of the Nova Scotia Community College - Forrester Hall - Room 136

These workshops are designed to help you manage your land. The evening will overview the Woodlot Management Home Study Series and give you some activities and tools that you can implement today. The evening will end with a presentation from a local woodlot owner who will share personal experiences.

Courses will run from 7pm to 9pm. Cost for each course is \$10.00, registration form enclosed. For more information call toll free 1-866-226-7577 or visit our web site:

<http://www.gov.ns.ca/natr/extension/woodlot/>

Woodlot Owner Conferences, Spring 2006



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Planning has begun for the 2006 Woodlot Owner Conferences. These conferences are organized by the Federation of Nova Scotia Woodland Owners, the Department of Natural Resources, Nova Forest Alliance, Regional Development Authorities, and members of the forest industry. **The dates are:**

Western Nova Scotia: Saturday, March 4th
Saulnierville Legion, Clare, Digby County

Eastern Nova Scotia: Saturday, March 25th
Whycocomagh Education Centre, Inverness County

Central Nova Scotia: Saturday, April 8th
Springhill Community Centre, Cumberland County

More information will be posted on the WISH web site as it becomes available.

www.woodlotinfo.ca/default.asp

Current Issues

Access to Woodland Information

Trying to find out more about managing your woodland? Have you completed some or all of the Woodlot Home Study Modules, and still want more information? Why not try an **interlibrary loan!** The DNR Library has many books that are of interest to woodlot owners. Some of the titles we have recently added to our collection include:

- **Wild Logging: A guide to Environmentally and Economically Sustainable Forestry** by Bryan Foster
(Call Number: 634.92 F754)
- **Careful Harvest: A Video Guide to Logging Aesthetics** (book and video) by the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests
(Call Number 634.98 J77)
(Call Number 634.98 S6785 VIDEO)
- **Landowner's Guide to Wildlife Habitat:**

Forest Management for the New England Region by Richard M. DeGraaf
(Call Number 639.950974 L261)

Ask your local public library for more information on how to make an interlibrary loan. This service is provided free of charge.

Would you like to review any of these books for other owners? Please send your reviews to woodlot@gov.ns.ca and they may be included in a future newsletter or on our web site. Feel free to recommend other books you have found interesting or helpful!

New Publications

Best Management Practices - A Practical Guide for New Brunswick's Private Woodlots. INFOR, a group who provides service to woodlot owners in New Brunswick, has recently release a pocket size Best Management Practices field guide. The guide covers road building, harvesting, wildlife habitat, and non-timber forest products. Some of the regulations mentioned are specific to New Brunswick; please contact us if you have questions about regulations in Nova Scotia.

To order please contact INFOR at 1-877-450-8787 or e-mail infor@infor.ca. The guide is 4\$ + HST.

Backyard Woods - Bringing Your Vision to Life

This small book is an excellent resource for those who own small parcels of land. It also has a lot of great activities for families. It can be downloaded free of charge from <http://www.arborday.org/backyardwoods/>.

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Introduction to Woodland Management Registration Form

These workshops are designed to help you manage your land. If you are a new owner or have been working your land for years, whether you do the work yourself or are thinking about hiring a contractor - this course is for you! The evening will overview the Woodlot Management Home Study Series and give you some activities and tools that you can implement today. The evening will end with a presentation from a local woodlot owner who will share their experiences and offer a few pointers!

Courses will run from 7pm to 9pm. Cost for each course is \$10 and a light snack will be provided.

Space is limited to the first 20 people, so register early. To register, return this registration form with cheque (payable to the Minister of Finance) to:

Woodlot Management Workshop, Department of Natural Resources,
Operations Division, P.O. Box 698, Halifax, NS B3J 2T9.

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Name: _____ Phone: _____

Mailing address: _____

(Please include Postal Code)

E-mail: _____

Registration will be confirmed via phone or email. **For info call Toll Free: 1-866-7577**