MEET YOUR COUNCIL

John Doucette

ASFP Registrar

John graduated with a B.S.F. (Bachelor of Science in Forestry) from UBC (The University of British Columbia) in 1975. He started his career as a Forest Engineer with MacMillan Bloedel Ltd in Tofino on Vancouver Island. From there, he moved to the Queen Charlotte Islands (Haida Gwaii) where he and his family spent 15 years enjoying the unique lifestyle of these beautiful Islands. In 1999, John was lured back to the land of his birth in Saskatchewan. He finished his career with industry in Prince Albert as the Strategic Team Coordinator for Weyerhaueser.

John has been involved with the ASFP since the very beginning of the Association. He has proudly served on Council as a Director and as President and is currently the Association’s third Registrar.

John and his wife, Rose, live on a small acreage in Prince Albert. They have 3 grown children, at least 8 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

THE TWISTED TREE LIVES OUT ITS LIFE. THE STRAIGHT TREE ENDS UP AS A BOARD.

Chinese Proverb
FEATURED ARTICLE - The Forest History Society of Saskatchewan

DEVELOPMENT OF A FOREST INDUSTRY UNDER FEDERAL ADMINISTRATION

Prior to the formation of the province of Saskatchewan in 1905, the Northwest Territories were governed by Ottawa. Even after the formation of the province, Ottawa retained the management of natural resources until 1930 when the Natural Resources Transfer Act moved the administration of forest resources to the province.

The Dominion Lands Act of 1872 set out the first commercial forest zones allowing for commercial logging in the area. Cruising parties were sent out to assess the forest for commercial timber.

A crew led by a man by the name of Belanger surveyed what was to become the Porcupine Forest Reserve in the late 1800s. The resulting forest reserve encompassed three million acres and measured 100 miles east to west and 50 miles north to south.

In 1895, J. Lestock Reid led a survey crew that surveyed the Stump Lake area to the southwest of modern-day Prince Albert National Park. Areas with good prospects were sectioned off into “Timber Berths” of varying sizes. For instance, Timber Berth 691 in the Stump Lake area was just over 10 square miles in size.

Captain Henry Stewart Moore saw that Prince Albert, situated on the North Saskatchewan River, had a transportation advantage and set up a sawmill and grist mill in 1877. The following year, he had logging camps in action at Sturgeon Lake and Anglin Lake. In the spring, some 8,000 logs were driven down the Little Red River to his mill on the North Saskatchewan.

William Cowan from Ontario established a sawmill in Prince Albert in the 1880s and sawed lumber until about 1904. In 1905, The Winton Family set up a large sawmill and planer named the Prince Albert Lumber Company. (In the far east end of town then called Goshen) They also took over most of the timber berths in the area.
This mill operated until the autumn of 1918. In 1919 the Wintons bought the Finger Lumber Company at The Pas Manitoba and renamed it The Pas Lumber Company. The Winton Brothers continued to harvest from timber berths in Saskatchewan along the Saskatchewan and Carrot Rivers and drive the logs down these rivers to their mill at The Pas.

William Cowan, Edward H. Moore and T. E. Burrows joined forces in 1908 to erect a sawmill at present day Big River. This mill was replaced in 1911 with a mill that was said to be the largest in the British Commonwealth with a capacity of one million board feet per day. The mill was destroyed by fire in 1913 and sold to the Wintons who rebuilt as The Ladder Lake Lumber Company. In 1919, a massive forest fire wiped out a huge amount of the timber in northwest Saskatchewan and the following year, the Winton brothers shut down the Ladder Lake Mill, pulled up stakes and moved to The Pas Manitoba.

J.K. Johnson established a small sawmill in Big River in 1922 and continued sawing rough lumber until 1945 when the Saskatchewan Timber Board purchased his mill.

On the east side of the province, The Shaw Brothers established a sawmill at Prairie River with harvesting rights to timber berths covering 1,000 square miles. They originally used a combination of river drives and Phoenix log haulers to deliver logs to the mill but had to resort to building a railroad when the area had two winters with virtually no snow.

Great West Lumber Company operated a mill at Greenbush, west of the Town of Hudson Bay, and the Ruby Lake Lumber Company also operated near Hudson Bay during the Federal administration period.

The federal government established a network of fire lookout towers throughout the commercial forest zone. Each of the main forests had a forestry headquarters and a number of patrol cabins where the rangers were stationed. Fred Hewitt, who later became Director of Forests for Saskatchewan, recalled arriving at the Greenbush Headquarters for his first job after graduating from university.

In 1930, the responsibility for administering the forests was transferred to the province. There is much more history from this era to be recorded so please write or e-mail in your contributions.
This article is from the first edition of “Echoes in the Forest – Saskatchewan Forest Tales”. If you liked this article and would like to read more like it, email John Daisly at j.daisley@xplornet.ca to subscribe. Subscription is free for members of The Forest History Society of Saskatchewan, and $10 for non-members.

Members of The Forest History Society of Saskatchewan also get to receive a copy of A History of Forestry in Canada by Gilbert Paille for only $5. Non-members can purchase this book for $42. Membership to the Historical Society is only $25, so this is a real bargain. So join now!
2020 ASFP MEMBERSHIP INVOICES

The 2020 ASFP membership invoices will be distributed via email in the first week of December. All dues are to be paid, continuing competency hours are to be reported and commitment to the Code of Ethics is to be signed and submitted to ASFP no later than February 15, 2020. Please note, if a membership is being paid by the employer, it is still the member’s duty to submit their form to report his or her continuing competency hours for the year and to sign their commitment to the Code of Ethics.

Membership rates are:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>ASFP Membership Category</th>
<th>PRICE</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Registered Professional Forester</td>
<td>$360</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Registered Professional Forest Technologist</td>
<td>$360</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Professional Forester-in-Training</td>
<td>$180</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Professional Forest Technologist-in-Training</td>
<td>$180</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Restricted Member</td>
<td>$360</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Leave of Absence</td>
<td>$180</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Retired</td>
<td>$90</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Late fees will be applied to all payments received after the due date.

2020 CIF MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

You will be able to pay your CIF dues for renewal or new membership through the ASFP again for 2020. If you wish to renew this separately, you may do so online at www.cif-ifc.org. The membership fees are:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>PROVINCE/TERRITORY</th>
<th>STUDENT</th>
<th>RETIRED</th>
<th>ACTIVE</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Alberta, Northwest Territories, Yukon, Nunavut, Saskatchewan, British Columbia</td>
<td>$63.00</td>
<td>$63.00</td>
<td>$147.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>(5% tax included)</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

UPCOMING REGISTRATION EXAM

The next scheduled exam is Monday, January 13th, 2020. To register for the exam, contact register@asfp.ca by December 13, 2019.

If you have registered for the exam, please make sure that you receive a reminder email the week prior to the exam. If you have not received one by Monday, January 6th, 2020, contact register@asfp.ca immediately to confirm your registration. Remember, there are study materials available on the website to help you prepare for the exam. Go to the following link to access these resources: http://www.asfp.ca/entering-the-profession/registration-exam
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

For a small charge, the ASFP distributes forestry or resource-based Job Opportunities via email to our members. In addition to this email, we are now posting job opportunities on our website. Check it out: http://asfp.ca/job-centre. If your company has a job opportunity and wants it viewed by our entire membership, contact the ASFP office at registrar@asfp.ca.

Domtar is looking for an Operations Forester - Silviculture!

Here is another exciting opportunity for you!

Are you interested in an opportunity to be a key team member in an exemplary organization that provides career growth opportunities, consider joining our Team? If so, consider joining Domtar's Team.

They are currently looking to hire an Operations Forester - Silviculture to provide leadership in the implementation of Domtar's safety, forest stewardship, production, and quality standards for Domtar's Silviculture responsibilities on the Trout Lake Forest.

Please open the attachment for the detailed posting. If you are interested in applying, forward your resume, to the link below by Thursday December 12, 2019 at 3:00 p.m. CDT

(pdf) Domtar - Operations Forester - Silviculture.pdf

CONTINUING EDUCATION, WORKSHOPS, PRESENTATIONS, EVENTS

CIF E-Lectures – What’s scheduled in the next few weeks? Missed a Lecture?
Just visit https://www.cif-ifc.org/e-lectures/
Please note that previous CIF e-lectures are only available to CIF members.
FORESTRY ARTICLES

Here are some forestry articles that may interest you. Click on the title to access the full article.

- How a resurgence in Indigenous governance is leading to better conservation
- Lost trees hugely overrated as environmental threat, study finds
- BC’s Declaration Act explained
- ‘If an economist says you have to use a carbon tax, they’re not telling you the truth’
- Billionaire Pattison sees environment as ‘number one issue’ for his business empire
- $10.5 billion in pre-orders with $0 in ad spend. Tesla is disrupting more than the car market - it’s disrupting the marketers.
- Love Paper campaign featured in several news publications
- Come hear why building with wood is making a comeback!
- COFI renews lobby for ‘working forest’ as measure to help revitalize forest sector
- New shutdown to put thousands of B.C. loggers out of work Monday
- More layoffs may be coming for Tolko Industries: unconfirmed report
- Locked In and Losing Out: British Columbia’s fossil fuel subsidies
- These uses of CO2 could cut emissions — and make trillions of dollars

You can also click below to access ADDITIONAL NEWSLETTERS

- Insights
- Northern Notes
- Sustainable Forest Initiative
- The Working Forest

LOOKING AHEAD

- If you have links to fascinating articles or videos or information about a job opportunity or continuing education seminar, please email us and indicate “NEWSEM” on the subject and I will add it on the next issue.

VISIT US AT

Canadian Institute of Forestry
Institut forestier du Canada

Association of Saskatchewan
Forestry Professionals