

Woodlot Education Newsletter

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The goal of this newsletter is to inform landowners who have taken our woodlot management home study modules about upcoming woodlot educational events, and new publications.

Woodlot News

L The very successful Woodlot Owner Conferences held last spring are planned again for next spring. Cost will be only \$15 including lunch! Call the phone number to preregister after February 1/04.

March 6th: NSCC Strait Campus
Port Hawkesbury: 625-3929

March 27th: Cornwallis Park,
Annapolis County: 638-8100

April 3rd: Central Region, location
TBA: 662-3805

L Two Chainsaw Safety Courses were put on in the Halifax area through a partnership between the Forest Safety Society and DNR. They were put on earlier than usual to assist people affected by the hurricane. *Two more chainsaw courses designed for the home user*

are planned for this winter, see the attached registration sheet for info!

L Field days were held for the 2003 Woodlot Owner of the Year Award Winners!!

About 150 people turned out to visit Richard Irving's lot in Baxters Harbour, Kings County. Also, over 150 people came out for the two field days held on the Regional Winners' lots in early September.



Richard Irving accepts the provincial award from Minister Hurlburt

Nominations for 2004 Due!

Now's the time to start thinking about next year's potential Woodlot Owners of the Year! Do you know someone who you think is a good

candidate? Why not nominate them? Contact us for details.

New Publications

! The popular brochure entitled "*Selling Standing Timber*" has been revised. It now includes more current contact information and more. It's a great place to start if you are considering ever selling wood from your lot! Contact us to get your free copy.

! Forestry Statistics - See the included sheet that covers many facts about our forest industry, forest condition and more!

Interesting Internet Links

Try out some of these sites, they're great sources for information!

Woodlot Owner Info Shop:
Tailored for us in Nova Scotia, it's goal is to be one stop site for all things forestry.

www.woodlotinfoshop.ns.ca

Manitoba Woodlot Publications:
www.gov.mb.ca/conservation/forestry/forest-woodlot/w-pubs.html

PEI Management Notes:
www.gov.pe.ca/af/forest/mgmt_notes/index.php3

Canadian Forestry Service - Atlantic Forestry Centre:

www.nrcan-rncan.gc.ca/cfs-scf/national/what-quoi/publications_e.html



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Do you have email? Drop us a line and we'll put you on our list. You'll get more frequent updates on events, courses, etc.

Home Study Modules

We are working towards updating some of the current modules. Please remember as you work through your modules that help is available by phone, fax or email.

Here's how to reach us:

Extension Services Division,
Department of Natural Resources,
P.O. Box 698, Halifax NS, B3J 2T9
Phone: 424-5444 Fax: 424-7735

E-mail: woodlot@gov.ns.ca
web: www.gov.ns.ca/natr/extension/

Chainsaw Use and Safety Course Registration Form

These workshops will be based on the material found in the Woodlot Management Home Study module 6 (copies will be available at the course). A certified instructor will guide you through the theory and follow up with a field demonstration. This course is considered an "introductory" level course, but even people with many years of experience can benefit from the instructor's advice.

Courses will run from around 9am to 4pm. Bring your chainsaw if you have one, and appropriate outdoor dress for the afternoon demonstration session (hardhats provided or bring your own, other gear not required)

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:

Chainsaw Workshop, Department of Natural Resources,
Extension Services Division, P.O. Box 698, Halifax, NS B3J 2T9.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Jan 24 | NSCC Campus: 75 High Street, Bridgewater
Cost \$20, lunch on your own. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Feb 7 | Coxheath DNR office: 300 Mountain Road
Cost \$25, lunch provided on site. |

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Mailing address:

(Please include Postal Code)

E-mail: _____

- Check here if you need a copy of Module 6, Chainsaw Use & Safety
Registration will be confirmed via phone or email. For info call 424-5444