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President's Message

Spring is Finally Here!

It seems like it's taken forever to get winter put to bed and now we're in the thick of things. In the meantime, everyone in our organization seems to have used the time to keep active, and there's a lot on the go.

Spring Forum – In March our chapter Vice-President, Lauralee Harrison, attended the Regional Forum to discuss IRWA business, challenges, and solutions, in conjunction with representatives from across Western Canada and the North-Western States. Also in attendance was IRWA's current International President, Faith Roland, and the International Executive Vice President Mark Reick. A number of items were discussed at this event, and significant progress was made, and more set in motion.

Upcoming Education Conference – The Annual Education Conference and Board of Directors meeting are just over a month away. It's not too late to register for this event, which is always an informative and worthwhile experience. As you are thinking about this, don't forget to plan for next summer's conference in Calgary Alberta. It's rare to have the even this close to home, so start planning to be there!

Anniversary Celebrations – Our Chapter's 35 anniversary celebrations are this fall, and you are invited! Mark it October 24th in your calendar, we're going to be having a party and want all members of chapter 62 (past and present)

to attend. This is a worthy milestone for our chapter, let's give it the attention it deserves!

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MAY 25 Luncheon Notice

IRWA Chapter 62 is pleased to announce that will be having 2 guest speakers at our May 25, Luncheon Meeting. They are:

Erin Brock, Agrologist from the Canola Council of Alberta and Murray Hartman, Oilseed Specialist from Alberta Agriculture & Food and the topic will be:

CLUBROOT MANAGEMENT IN ALBERTA

Write it down in your agenda now:

Because we are hosting two speakers at our meeting it is anticipated that the luncheon will not wrap up until approx. 1:30 p.m. The meeting will take place at the Edmonton Petroleum Club, 11110 - 108 Street, Edmonton commencing at 11:30 a.m.

Future Meeting Dates

September 21st
November 16th / December 11th
Luncheon Cost:
\$20.00 for member / \$25.00 for non-member

Please contact Lauralee Harrison to confirm your attendance or if you have any health concerns
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Education Information

Two day course fees are:
Members \$525.00 plus GST
Non-Members \$625.00 plus GST

All courses will be held at:
Edmonton Public Library
7 Sir Winston Churchill Square
3rd Floor, Room 5
Edmonton, AB T5J 2V4

2009 Spring Schedule

- 800 Principles of Real Estate Law (Canadian) May 25 and May 26, 2009
- 801 Canadian Land Titles (Canadian) May 27 and May 28, 2009
- 400C Principles of Real Estate Appraisal (Canadian) - June 10 and June 11, 2009

please send registration form directly to course coordinator
Jan Schmitz Fax: (780) 496-6145
Email: jan.schmitz@edmonton.ca
Chapter 62 accepts credit cards or cheques.

Congratulations to Fatima Dalal on her achievement of becoming the latest SRWA of Chapter 62.

35th Anniversary Celebrations for Chapter 62

Mark your calendars for the weekend of October 23 & 24 of this year. We have reserved the Selkirk Hotel down at Fort Edmonton Park to host the Fall regional Forum and to celebrate our 35th anniversary (1974 to 2009) as a Chapter of IRWA. There will be special events hosted on the Friday and Saturday nights and we hope you can join us. Further details will be provided later this summer.

Presidents message continued....

Partnering with Allied Agencies & Chapters
– In conjunction with Calgary’s Chapter 48, we’ve continued to build on our partnerships with other Allied Agencies that have some involvement in work we do. Check out the information in this issue regarding AASLA upcoming events! We’re also working closer than ever along with the other Alberta Chapters, to create some synergies and benefit all IRWA members in our area.

Education Advancements – April marked the first successful course coordinated by our new Education Chair Jan Scmitz. Course 200 was a success with a good blend of new and experienced participants from across Western and Northern Canada. Jan has organized a very in-depth schedule of courses in your home town! If you have questions about anything education related – just give her a call! Great Job Jan, keep it up.

Also on the Education front, the International Member Services Centre has announced that as of June 2009 ten of our core courses will be available in an on-line format. One more method to work towards your accreditation, and another benefit of membership.

It never seems to change, there are always things out of our control affecting the world we live in. Recently we’ve dealt with wild-fires and a state of emergency in our Region, and we’ve reacted and mitigated the impact of the H1N1 flu. So much of what you do on a day to day basis seems trivial until it’s called into action. When I stop and think about all the infrastructure required to transport the folks out of the danger areas, to coordinate the response and fire services, or even just communicate to everyone to leave the danger area – it’s a mammoth undertaking. Yet it is part of something which is put in place everyday. So to everyone who takes a role, keep it up!

Kind Regards,
Brian

Welcome to our newest IRWA Members!

Aron Klassen, LandSolutions Inc.

Lee Affleck, Scott Land & Lease Ltd.

Terris Jewell, HMA Land Services Ltd.

Brad Samchuk, HMA Land Services Ltd.

John Wilson, City of Edmonton

Douglas Falk, City of Edmonton

Fred Miller with Public Works and Government Services Canada. Mr. Miller has recently transferred from the Ottawa chapter.

Lauralee Harrison, SR/WA, received recognition as the 2008 Region 10 Professional of the Year at the Spring Forum held in Vancouver, British Columbia in March. Lauralee (pictured on the right) has been a member of Chapter 62 in Edmonton, Alberta since 1999, and is currently serving as our Chapter’s Vice President.



CLUBROOT MANAGEMENT IN ALBERTA

Clubroot is a serious soil-borne disease of cruciferous crops (canola and cabbage family) worldwide and was first identified in Europe in the thirteenth century. This disease is a major problem in cole crops (cruciferous vegetables) in some areas of British Columbia, Quebec, Ontario and the Atlantic provinces. Clubroot was added as a declared pest to Alberta’s Agricultural Pests Act (APA) in April 2007. Clubroot Management in Alberta is a difficult issue and one that is garnering a lot of attention from risk adverse producers. So how does this affect industry???

Special AASLA Insert



2009 Educational Seminar/ Annual General Meeting Presentation Details

Alberta Land-use Framework Presentation
2009 has proven to be a year to remember for our industry. Among other things, the Government of Alberta introduced the new Land-use Framework for the Province. AASLA is very pleased to have Mr. Dave Bartesko, RPFT, presenting on this topic from 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM.

Olds College Guest Speaker
AASLA is very pleased to have our guest speaker, Mr. Trevor Williams, the Chair of Energy and Utilities Sector Relations at Olds College presenting from 11:30 AM to 12:00PM.

Annual General Meeting

- Executive Elections
- Associations Update
- Awards
- Treasury Report
- Introduction of incoming President

Panel Discussion - Pipeline Rentals
Also over this past year, the Alberta Surface Rights Board issued monumental decisions awarding annual compensation for the first time in connection with a pipeline on agricultural land. AASLA has been fortunate enough to bring together some of the individuals involved in that decision along with representatives from landowner groups, landowner advisors/legal council, industry representatives/legal council, third party appraiser and representatives from the Alberta Government to have a panel discussion on this topic.

Moderator:
Mr. Daron K. Naffin, Partner, Regulatory with Bennett Jones LLP
Panel Member:
Mr. J. Darryl Carter, Q.C. with Darryl Carter & Company Barristers & Solicitors
Panel Member:
Mr. Lars Othafer, P.Eng, LL.B., Lawyer with Fraser Milner Casgrain LL.B
Panel Member:
Mr. Dalton Trenholm, Landowner Representative
Panel Member:
Mr. John F. Wasmuth, AACI, P.Ag., President, Canadian Resource Valuation Group
Panel Member:
Graham Gilchrist, Farmer's Advocate

2009 Educational Seminar/ Annual General Meeting

WHEN: Thursday, June 11, 2009

WHERE: The Capri Hotel, Trade & Convention Centre
3310 – 50th Avenue
Red Deer, AB, T4N 3X9, Phone: 1-800-662-7197

Agenda:

8:00 AM	Registration
9:00 AM	Alberta Land-use Framework Presentation
11:30 AM	Olds College Guest Speaker
12:00 PM	Buffet Lunch
12:30 PM	Annual General Meeting
1:00 PM	Panel Discussion - Pipeline Rentals
5:00 PM	Networking Social (Appetizers Included)

PRICE:

Member: \$200.00
Non-Member: \$300.00

AASLA Annual Golf Tournament

WHEN: Friday, June 12, 2009

WHERE: Alberta Springs Golf Resort
Directions: 5km west of Red deer on Hwy 11

Schedule:

7:00 AM Registration
8:00 AM Shot Gun Start!! Texas Scramble Format
Dinner & Prizes to Follow!!

PRICE:

Member: \$150.00
Non-Member: \$175.00
Payment required no later than June 1, 2009

Make Cheque(s) payable to:
AASLA C/O: HMA Land Services Ltd.
#2, 10307-100 Avenue
Fort Saskatchewan, Alberta T8L1Y9
Attention: Terris Jewell



NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice is hereby given for the Annual General Meeting of the Members of the CRWEF to be held during the Annual Education Conference of the International Right of Way Association.

DATE: Sunday, June 28, 2009

TIME: 10:00 AM

LOCATION: Lincoln Room, 2nd Floor
Indianapolis Marriott Downtown
350 West Maryland Street
Indianapolis, IN 46225

Your participation is appreciated and valued.



NOMINATIONS FOR ELECTION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**Annual General Meeting in Indianapolis, Indiana
Sunday June 28, 2009 @ 10:00 am
Lincoln Room on the 2nd floor of the Marriott**

Dear CRWEF Members:

A Board of seven directors of whom a majority shall constitute a quorum shall manage the property and activities of the CRWEF. As per the By-laws of the CRWEF, the Board of Directors of the Corporation shall be comprised of the following persons:

**President of the Canadian Right of Way Education Foundation
Vice-President of the Canadian Right of Way Education Foundation
Secretary/Treasurer of the Canadian Right of Way Education Foundation
Chairman of Region 8
Vice-Chair of Region 8
Chairman of Region 10
Vice-Chair of Region 10**

The Chairs and Vice-chairs serve as Directors by virtue of their office held in their designated Region, and their terms as Directors shall commence upon their election to said offices in their designated Region and shall cease on expiration or termination of their term in said office.

The President, Vice-President and Secretary/Treasurer serve as Directors by virtue of their office held in the Corporation, and are elected at an annual meeting of members, and their terms as Directors shall commence upon their election, and shall cease on expiration or termination of their term.

In preparation for our upcoming election, the following positions are available for nomination:

**President of the Canadian Right of Way Education Foundation
Vice-President of the Canadian Right of Way Education Foundation
Secretary/Treasurer of the Canadian Right of Way Education Foundation**

The following is a description of the duties associated with each position.

PRESIDENT:

- Executive head of the CRWEF.
- Provides annual report to the International Right of Way Association (IRWA) Board of Directors.
- Generally oversees, directs and coordinates all business activities of the CRWEF.
- Responsible for the overall fiscal management of fund accounts.
- Acts as the primary contact between the CRWEF and:
 - IRWA Executive Committee
 - IRWA headquarters staff (Executive Vice President, Accountant)
 - International Professional Development Committee (IPDC)
 - President of the Right of Way International Education Foundation
- Reviews and circulates all requests for educational funding.
- May commit and/or pledge up to and including \$50,000 in any given year with the approval of a majority of the CRWEF BOD obtained verbally, by fax or e-mail.
- Prepares and presents a report (in person and/or in writing) on behalf of the CRWEF BOD at the Spring and Fall Forums for Regions 8 and 10.
- Prepares/circulates agendas, plans and conducts the CRWEF Annual General Meeting ("AGM") of members in June of each year.
- Prepares and presents a report (in person) on behalf of the CRWEF BOD to the IRWA BOD at the IRWA AGM.
- In conjunction with the CRWEF BOD, seeks willing and competent individuals for upcoming nomination and election to CRWEF offices.

VICE PRESIDENT:

- Reports to the CRWEF President.
- Acts in place of the President as and when required.
- Plans for coming term as President.
- Assists the President in planning, coordinating and carrying out special projects.
- Responsible for planning and marketing fund raising initiatives including golf tournament participation, auction item information and chapter fund raising.
- Organizes and liaises with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police headquarters in Ottawa for the attendance of a member at the annual IRWA conference each year – coordinates in conjunction with the IRWA Conference Chair and IRWA headquarters staff.
- Seeks, encourages and recommends individuals to the IPDC in becoming new instructors, course developers, or course reviewers.
- Assists in seeking willing and competent individuals for nomination and election to CRWEF offices.

SECRETARY/TREASURER:

- Reports to the CRWEF President.
- Maintains control and overall management of the CRWEF funds, in conjunction with IRWA headquarters staff.

- Prepares, keeps and circulates all CRWEF meeting minutes and records.
- Receives and reviews quarterly financial statements from IRWA headquarters.
- Prepares, in coordination with the President, all CRWEF financial reports and statements as required for reporting purposes throughout the year.
- Ensures that meeting minutes and financial statements are available for distribution to membership at the CRWEF AGM.
- Forwards updated CRWEF Board of Directors and Officers contact list to IRWA headquarters following the AGM.
- Receives donation funds and directs IRWA headquarters staff with respect to account allocation.
- Prepares and distributes letters of appreciation to all funding donors.

Terms of Office: Secretary/Treasurer – 3-year term with the understanding that it is a progressive term concluding with the position of President

Vice-President – 2-year term with the understanding that it is a progressive term concluding with the position of President

President – 1-year term

Qualifications: Must be a member in good standing.

Anyone interested in filling any of the above positions should contact one of the undersigned in writing by June 23, 2009. We would request a letter of nomination from a member in good standing nominating you to the position. All members nominated for election must also confirm their willingness to do so in writing prior to the Annual General Meeting. In the event that a position is not contested, the ballot shall name the member seeking office and indicate that the member has been elected by acclamation.

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