



DNR Deputy Minister, Frank Dunn, left, who provided opening remarks at the 2016 Woodland Conference in Oxford on Saturday, April 2nd, chats with Brian Brown, woodland owner from Oxford during the nutrition break. (Rees Photo)



Vernon McCully, Great Village and Gordon Fisher, Bass River, take a few minutes to chat at the Woodland Conference in Oxford on April 2nd. (Rees Photo)



Tony Phillips, Lower Debert, left, chats with Mike Oulton, Windsor whose earlier presentation, "Experiences Of a Woodland Owner", provided an overview of his family operation outside Windsor. The family has also become famous for their slaughterhouse and meat shop. He employs 16 people in the slaughterhouse operation and occasionally they help with the company's woodlot operation. (Rees Photo)



The Nova Scotia Woodlot Owners & Operators Association (NSWOOA) was the first table display delegates would see after registering at the Central Woodland Conference in Oxford on April 2. (Rees Photo)



The picture above shows a portion of the Athol Forestry display at the Woodland Conference in Oxford. The company was also one of the sponsors of the event, which attracted approximately 120 delegates including 10 junior high students. (Rees Photo)



The Federation of Nova Scotia Woodlot Owners were one of the many exhibitors in Oxford for the 2016 Central Region Woodland Conference. The federation was also a sponsor to the event. (Rees Photo)

FNSWO – AGM in Truro on May 7th

The last patches of snow have melted from the forest, the ice has retreated from our lakes, robins are feasting on worms in the warm sun, noble speckled trout are rising to the lake surface to taste the hatching Mayfly, spring is in the air, and its time to go fishing or for a hike in the woods! If you're the outdoorsy type looking for an indoor alternative - why not attend Federation of Nova Scotia Woodland Owners (FNSWO) 16th annual general meeting being

held on Saturday, May 14 at the Holiday Inn, Truro.

Did you know that there are over 30,000 woodlot owners in Nova Scotia? Forestry and related businesses span across the province and continue to be the backbone of rural employment. Some of us rely on resources and income provided from our woodlots, while others own woodland for purely recreational purposes. At the end of the day many of our concerns as woodland owners are the same.

Our May 14 meeting is open to the public so bring along a neighbor or friend that may be interested in woodlots and forestry. Enjoy a delicious lunch, learn about Nova Scotia's Woodland Owner community. Listen to presentations, about issues and resources to help you manage your land sustainably and keep it healthy.

FNSWO is a province wide non-profit organization of families, community members, and individuals that own woodland. We're here to help small private woodland owners and educate people about many of the important contributions private woodlots make to our lives. We work with other woodlot organizations, forest companies, and DNR to advocate for private woodlot owners and sustainable forestry.

To pre-register, call Toll Free at 1-844-WOODLOT (844-966-3568) or email info@fnswo.ca. For more details visit www.fnswo.ca or our Facebook page www.facebook.com/FNSWO



Adrian Sansom was one of the nearly 120 delegates at the Central Woodland Conference, who enjoyed the soup, sandwich and dessert. Many compliments were given to the caterer, who keep the trays full with a wide selection. (Rees Photo)



The Association for Sustainable Forestry had a table display in a prominent area just inside the registration area. Dave Sutherland, coordinator, gave an informative presentation on ASF Silviculture and Biodiversity. (Rees Photo)



Grant Putnam, left, Debert, is all smiles as he accepts the Stihl chainsaw from Don Cameron, chief organizer and EMCEE of the 2016 Central Woodland Conference held in Oxford on April 2. The saw was donated by J.D. Irving Ltd as the Grand Prize for the conference. (Rees Photo)

“Special thanks to the Organizing Committee for the Central Woodland Conference”

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