

Pro-Lumberjack Championships Truro, June 3rd

By Maurice Rees

The 2nd annual Nova Scotia Pro Lumberjack Championship will be held Saturday, June 3rd in the parking lot at 70 Juniper St. between Cat Shack and Shur-Gain Feeds. The event is organized by The North Nova Lumberjacks Society (NNLS), a small non-profit organization based in Truro, whose mandate is to promote and grow Lumberjack sports (aka Timbersports) and its athletes.

They achieve this mission in several ways, but the two most prominent are by: (1) Actively mentoring and coaching of young athletes learning the sport both in 4H (TNR 4H Woodmen Team) as well as at the intercollegiate level (Dalhousie University (Agricultural Campus) Woodsmen Team), and (2) by hosting a high level professional lumberjack competition; the Nova Scotia Pro Lumberjack Championship. Last year was the first year for the organization and the competition.

at the end of last season the competitors, who travel the pro circuit, voted the Truro event the "Best Competition of 2016". The inaugural competition drew a crowd of approx. 400 people who saw some fantastic Timbersports action which included several Maritime records being broken, and even a new WORLD record set in Men's single buck by Marcel Dupuis of Memramcook, NB. Marcel was able to saw a single cut off a 16" white pine log with a 6ft crosscut saw in 9.13s!

The television program "Lumberjacks" filmed last year's event* for airing on TSN last fall. Organizers will be building a large stage and bringing in bleachers so spectators don't miss any of the action. The June 3rd event will include some of the best competitors in the country showcasing their talents, including four members of the six-person team who represented Canada and won silver at last year's World Championships.

Admission to the event is free. The Truro/North River 4H Woodsmen Team will run a BBQ and 50/50 fundraiser. During the event raffle tickets will be sold on a BBQ donated by Kent Building Supplies.

To see the three episodes of Lumberjacks produced from last year's competition, visit:

www.youtube.com/LumberjacksOnline

For more information, visit the North Nova Lumberjacks Society Facebook page or contact: Ryan McIntyre, President, NNLS, P: 902 499 2727, Email: jryanmcintyre@gmail.com

Forestry responsible for 11,500 jobs

By Ian Ripley

Congratulations to this year's organizers of Central Woodland Conference for a job well done.

In Nova Scotia, forestry is a vital part of our economy and our communities. It provides 6,100 direct jobs and another 5,400 indirect jobs.

That's 1 in every 25 fulltime workers in Nova Scotia who depends on our forests for their livelihood. It's tough work & I am one of those Nova Scotians who works in the woods. In addition to owning a small woodlot, I am also a fisher, a hunter, a trapper and a licensed guide.

I spend countless hours in our forests every year, either for work or for pleasure, and I've yet to have a bad day in the woods. It sure beats being in the office. My story is common amongst those I work with. Most of us get up each day with a sense of purpose — to do a better job than we did the day before.

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1,200 tonnes for Compost Giveaway

The Colchester Compost Facility received approximately 8,500 tonnes of organic material and continues to produce Class "A" compost. Recovery of marketable material from incoming feedstock is approximately 48% as opposed to between 6% & 8% with the previous system. This recovery rate is expected to increase as staff continues to fine tune the composting process.

Staff is already prepared for Compost Giveaway with about 1,200 tonnes of material screened and ready for distribution.

Attendance draft feedback deadline – May 9

Students do their best in school when they attend daily and arrive on time. That is the core value behind a draft student attendance and engagement policy issued for feedback on April 20.

The draft policy clearly defines what is and is not an excused absence, how absences need to be explained to schools, and how a school will go about addressing absences and chronic lateness. This may include, in cases of extreme unexcused absences, loss of course credits at high school.

The draft policy is available online at www.ednet.ns.ca/student-attendance-policy-consultation. Nova Scotians are asked to submit their feedback by end-of-day May 9 via one of the options listed.

Feedback will be considered in finalizing the student attendance and engagement policy. A final policy will be in place for the upcoming school year.

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