



Annual General Meeting **July 10, 2007**

Location: Duncan BC

Attendees: Roger Wiles, Keith Dickens, Chris Olson (YTS), Mike Ferrario, Andrew Mitchell, Ray Travers, Harry Drage

Regrets: Tim Bringham, Bill Wagner, Larry Sluggett, Geza Vamos, Case van Kooten

1. The President convened the dinner meeting @ 18:00 at the Silver Bridge Inn. Six individual members and one group representative were in attendance. It was noted that the Society Vice President Ken Balaski had passed away earlier in the year. His position will be unfilled for a period of time.
2. The minutes from the 2006 AGM were reviewed and adopted.
3. The President's Report for 2006/2007 was reviewed and adopted.
4. The Financial Report for 2006/2007 was reviewed and approved.
5. The Board of Directors (Harry, Andrew, Ray, Bill) was reappointed.
6. General discussion: A number of issues were covered, including charitable status for the Society, raising funding support, increasing the Society profile, and increasing membership. The major topics addressed during 2006/2007 were reviewed: log exports, mountain pine beetle, forest land zoning (CVRD), private land removals from TFL's, and logging in the Chapman Creek watershed. The Coastal Forest Revival report expected from government has not yet been released and the Society will be tracking it, to provide constructive comment and recommend alternatives.
7. Strategies and tasks: The priorities for 2007/2008 were discussed, and the members committed to moving ahead assertively with the objectives of the Society, to further the cause of the collective public interest in BC forests. Contacts will now be made with appropriate people and organizations, including media, politicians, interest groups, schools, and others. The website is the key contact point and must be kept up-to-date and functional.

The meeting was adjourned @ 20:10. Next AGM is scheduled for June of 2008 in Victoria.