



Member Newsletter March 24, 2024

It's tax time!

Watch the video
recording of the
Oct 2023 webinar

*(if you attended the
webinar, you can re-watch
the video for free!)*

Woodlot Income Tax and Estate Planning

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Planning ahead

We have made some recent additions to the NBFWO website. And since it is tax time again, you might want to check out the new '[Woodlots, Taxes and Succession Planning](#)' page.

We have gathered together resources to help answer some of the questions you may have regarding taxes, succession planning and donating land.

Go to the [Resource Centre](#) page for new links to information regarding mineral claims and exploration, and a list of suggested reading selections.

Writers wanted

Do you have an interest in writing? We are looking for members who would like to write about forest-related topics for the Newsletter and Blog.

If you are interested, please get in touch with the topic(s) you would like to write about.



Email [in-fo@nbwoodlotowners.ca](mailto:info@nbwoodlotowners.ca)

A Message from the Executive Director

Spring has sprung and the NBFWO Board and staff have been working hard on behalf of our members.

We met with Assistant Deputy Minister Chris Ward to share our views on what the new Private Woodlot Sustainability Fund should be used for and to outline our vision for a new structure for the woodlot sector. This is the same [vision](#) that we shared at the AGM. (You click the link at the top of the [News](#) page to view the document)

We will continue working with the government to refine our proposal and ensure the best possible outcome for woodlot owners. A lot of effort is being put forth by the Board to work out the details of the new structure and to garner support for it.

Additionally, the **Personal Silviculture Saving and Investment Plan (PSSIP)** has continued to be lobbied for at the federal level and has again been recommended by the standing committee for inclusion in the federal budget. We will see on April 16th if it is in the Federal budget. I will be going to **Ottawa** at the end of April to again address private land issues with MPs and senior government officials as Chair of the Canadian Forest Owners.



We continue to prepare the framework for **FSC certification in New Brunswick**. We will be expanding an existing Nova Scotia private landowner certificate to New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island. There are many steps involved and it is great to see this type of collaboration between the Maritime provinces. Stay tuned for more details in the coming year.

One of our Board members attended the Forest NB AGM earlier this month, and I will be going to the Canadian Woodlands Forum next week to keep up to date and ensure that we continue to cultivate positive working relationships with others in the industry.

We continue to look for ways to bring additional funding into the Federation, to expand our networks, and to bring additional value to our members.

Respectfully submitted,

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What's New?

A round up of news from our website, other organizations and upcoming events

The NBFWO office will be closed Friday, March 29 and Monday, April 1 for the Easter long weekend.

NBEN & NWAJ Webinar: Natural Edge - a [Guide to Riparian Restoration for Landowners](#). March 26 at 7pm.

The Spring Meeting of the **Canadian Woodlands Forum Meeting** will be **March 26 & 27, 2024**. [Click here](#) for more information

The [Atlantic Heavy Equipment Show](#) will be March 27 & 28 in Moncton.

MCFT is offering an [ATV Safety course](#) April 3.

Nature NB's [Festival of Nature](#) will be happening June 7- 9 in Woodstock.

A member has **ash logs for sale** on the [Ads Board](#). And someone is looking to have some **hemlock logs milled**.

You probably already know that the [Ads Board](#) on the Federation website is **FREE for members** to post their ads. Everyone can view the Ads Board, so post your ad and reach a wider audience!

But now non-members can buy a 3-month subscription to advertise on the Ads Board as well. If you know anyone that would like to reach a larger audience, point them to the Ads Board page!

Keep an eye on the [News](#), [Ads Board](#), and [Calendar of Events](#) on the website for additional events and details.



SEEDS OF WISDOM

Bits of information to help you make the most of your woodlot adventures

Animal Facts

Common name: Canada lynx
Scientific name: *Lynx canadensis*
Type: Mammal
Diet: Carnivore
Weight: 8 to 11 kilograms
Length: 76 to 110 centimetres
Status: Not at risk

As one of Canada's most elusive cats, the Canada lynx known for its big triangular black-tipped ears, fluffy coat and chunky tail. They have a short body, small tail and long legs.

In winter, it sports a fur coat that is thick, long and grey. In summer, its coat is short, thin and light brown. Canada lynx look like they have wide faces, thanks to long patches of fur that grow out from their cheeks.

Snowshoe hares are such an important source of food for Canada lynx that when hare populations fall, so does the number of lynx. The number of lynx also rises when hare populations bounce back. This cycle repeats every 10 years in a dynamic called "boom and bust." When hares cannot be found, the lynx will prey on small mammals, birds and sometimes even large animals



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Canada lynx live in forested areas throughout Canada, Alaska and parts of the contiguous United States. They make their dens underneath fallen trees, tree stumps, rock ledges or thick bushes. They are territorial animals, and males live alone most of the time.

This feline predator migrates through the Appalachian corridor according to the season, touring the hardwood forest from north to south to find the most suitable microclimate.

The Canada lynx may look like a slightly larger version of your housecat, but make no mistake, these predators are ferocious! With big eyes and super hearing, they are excellent night hunters. But they are not fast runners, so they have to be sneaky when it comes to catching prey. Usually, they find a

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Did you know... lynx cross the Appalachian corridor to find better weather depending on the season.

Lynx track!



The Canada lynx has snowshoe-like paws which makes it easy for them to walk through deep snow. (Photo: Megan Lorenz/Can Geo Photo Club)

hiding spot and wait for prey to come near — then they pounce. Some lynx will sit still for hours just to snatch a bite!

It may resemble a bobcat, but the truth is in the tail. Lynx tails are completely black-tipped, while bobcat tails have a white ring below the black tip. Canada lynx also have large, thick-furred paws that act like snowshoes, which help them hunt during winter.

Sources: Nature Trust of NB and Canadian Geographic

Did you know?



Red squirrels are able to harvest sap and turn it into a kind of maple syrup! Their maple sugaring technique is quite simple. A red squirrel bites the trunks or branches of sugar maples or red maples, making V-shaped cuts with its large front teeth. But here's the clever part. The squirrel then leaves while sap oozes from the cuts and water evaporates from the sap, and comes back later to lick the sugary "maple syrup" that remains.

From: Meduxnekeag Valley Nature Preserve

Do these headlines interest you?

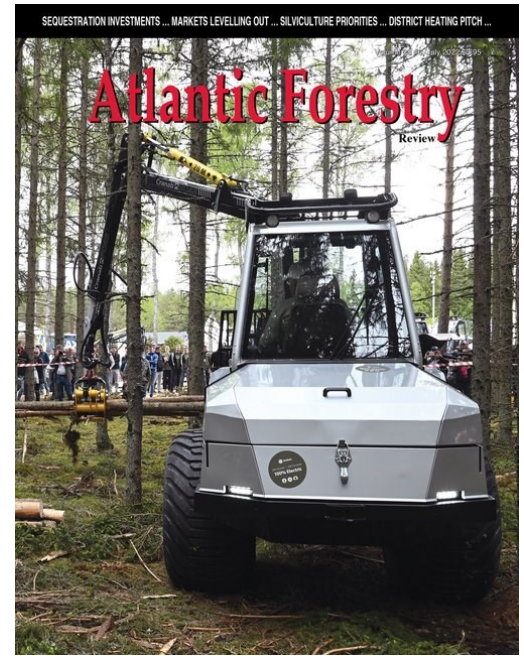
- *The More (species) the Merrier: forest diversity linked to greater carbon sequestration*
- *Getting FireSmart*
- *Good Medicine: for this ER doc, woods work is part of a balanced life*

These articles and much more are in the latest edition of the Atlantic Forestry Review!

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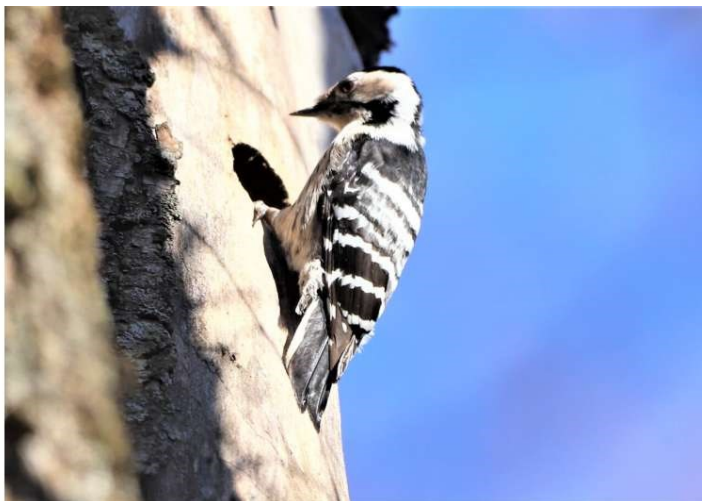
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