

BC ASSOCIATION OF PROFESSIONAL ARCHAEOLOGISTS

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2010 Annual General Meeting

Saturday, March 20, 2010 (9:30 am – 4:30 pm)

This year, the BCAPA AGM will be held on **March 20, 2010** in **Kamloops**.

More information regarding the AGM will be sent out by email soon. We will be looking for RSVPs and nominations soon, so watch your inboxes in the coming weeks.

Also, if you're interested in flying to Kamloops, WestJet has a sale on right now with flights from Vancouver going for \$39!

Should you have any questions about the event, please contact our Secretary, Kay Farquharson, at bcapa2010agm@yahoo.ca.

Mark your calendars and plan to attend!



Upcoming Conferences

**Northwest Anthropological Association
2010 Annual Meeting**
Ellensburg, Washington
March 24-27, 2010

**Canadian Archaeological Association
2010 Annual Meeting**
Calgary, Alberta
April 28 - May 2, 2010

**Society for American Archaeology
75th Anniversary Meeting**
St. Louis, Missouri
April 14-18, 2010

Archaeology Branch Update

Provincial Archaeological Report Library Now Online

An online library has been developed by the Archaeology Branch and is hosted by the Queen's Printer. It is a web based application that enables authorized users to search, view, download, and order archaeological reports in PDF format.

Upcoming Workshops

Permit Application and Reporting Workshop and Archaeological Permit Tracking System (APTS) Training (February 5th, 2010)

The BCAPA and Archaeology Branch are co-hosting a Permit Application and Reporting Workshop in Victoria. Seating to this first workshop is limited to 15 people and is currently full. Please contact Doug Glaum if you have questions (Doug.Glaum@gov.bc.ca). The permit application and report writing workshop is scheduled for 9–12, in Rm 317 at 800 Johnson St.

APTS training will run from 1 until 4 on the same day in the Carnegie Building at 1312 Blanshard St (Corner of Blanshard and Yates). The training room is on the main floor. Seating is limited to 5 people for the APTS Training and is currently full. Please contact [Jim Spafford](mailto:Jim.Spafford) at the Archaeology Branch if you have any questions.

More information about the BCAPA can be found on our website at www.bcapca.bc.ca

2009 Archaeology Forum (Brenda Gould)

On November 28, 2009 the BCAPA co-hosted the Archaeology Forum with the Upper Similkameen Indian Band in Hedley. Although not a huge group, the forum was filled with interesting papers and presentations.

A reception was held on the Friday night at the Gold Dust Pub where everyone was able to visit and unwind. The forum venue was the recently renovated Hedley School Building which has been transformed into an interpretive centre and new Band offices. Chief Richard Holmes opened the forum and welcomed everyone and talked a little about the Band's involvement in archaeological resource management over the past eleven years.

Wendy Hawkes presented a paper on indigenous archaeology that was filled with emotion and captivated all. A full version of this paper will be published in a volume on indigenous archaeology being edited by Rudy Reimer and Michael Klassen. Christie Whitehurst, the winner of the 2009 BCAPA bursary presented the results of a CMT survey in the South Ainsley watershed. Meghan Fisher and Vashti Thiessen both presented papers on what Millennia Research has been up to. Rudy (Yumks) Reimer presented on behalf of SFU, the ASBC and the Squamish Nation; Brenda Gould presented on behalf of the BCAPA, the Okanagan Historical Society and the Upper Similkameen Indian Band. Kimberley Christensen of Golder presented on the collaborative efforts between Golder, the Town of Princeton and the Upper Similkameen Indian Band.

Among the presentations one Ms. Angela Clyburn, an avocational archaeologist, presented her paper on digitally enhanced pictograph images using a very low tech program called "D stretch". This program allows us to see pictographs not visible to the naked eye. Ms. Clyburn's cutting edge research has already led to the discovery of numerous images that were previously unseen.

The forum closed with a video presentation highlighting the cultural heritage and archaeology of the Similkameen from the perspective of a young Siylx woman. In true spirit, the Archaeology Forum participants were responsible for shutting the only pub in Hedley down for the season. The bar owner, John, passes on his best wishes to all the archaeologists who attended and made the last two days of his season so memorable - please come back!

Rural Realtors and Bulletin 13 (Brenda Gould)

In September of 2009 a workshop was held for several realtors in the Princeton area. To say I had my back up against the wall for the whole two hours is an understatement. Realtors can and will be a hostile bunch when faced with another layer of process which stands to get in the way of the next sale. In the end, after a good and rowdy question and answer period where I had thought that I had gotten my point across, no realtor from Princeton has ever called to ask whether or not there was a conflict with archaeological resources. There are currently several listings that show a conflict with a recorded archaeological site and in two cases archaeological sites have been impacted and continue to be impacted by the developments taking place on the sold properties where there was no disclosure. Unfortunately, for many rural areas, there are either no building permit processes or the ones that are in place do not address archaeology and so it is business as usual. In a nutshell, the realtors are waiting till they get sued.

ASBC/UASBC Corner

ASBC

(Archaeological Society of BC)

January 27th, 2010: 7:00 pm – Joyce Walley Learning Centre, Museum of Vancouver

Speaker: Rudy Reimer, SFU/Squamish First Nation Topic: TBA
(www.asbc.bc.ca)

UASBC

(Underwater Archaeological Society of BC)

January 27th, 2010: 7:30pm

Speaker: Jett Britnell, Diving photojournalist
Topic: Raptures of the Deep: An Undersea Pictorial
Vancouver Maritime Museum (www.uasbc.com)

Heritage Week: The Province of BC Proclaimed February 15-21, 2010 Heritage Week. The theme for Heritage Week 2010 is the Heritage of Sport & Recreation. Heritage week commences annually on the third Monday of February (National Heritage Day).

We Welcome New Members:

- Hunter Parry - Affiliate
- Kimberly Christenson – Professional (graduated from Associate)
- Sean McKnight - Professional (graduated from Associate)
- William Cooney - Student
- Jessica Morrison – Professional (graduated from Associate)
- Hayley Kanipe - Professional
- Vanessa Neuman - Associate
- Lia Tarle - Student

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