

Preface

The 19th North American Moose Conference and Workshop was held July 18th to 21st, 1983 at Prince George, British Columbia. The conference was hosted by the British Columbia Ministry of Environment.

The contributions of time and finances from a variety of sources made the Conference a successful event. It certainly would be a major oversight to not thank the many sponsors that subsidized this Conference by financial contribution or reduction of fees, the Government of British Columbia, Spruce City Wildlife Association, B.C. Association of Guides and Outfitters, Association of Professional Biologists of B.C., Public's Own Market, Northwood Pulp and Timber Company, City of Prince George, Regional District of Fraser Fort George, Prince George Chamber of Commerce, B.C. Wildlife Federation, Ducks Unlimited, Burntwood Taxidermy, Wilderness Graphics (Vancouver), Old Fort Brewery, Prince George Limousine Service, and finally but not least, Holiday Inn.

The hospitality evening, banquet, bus service, coffee, doughnuts, and "refreshments" served on the field trip were all subsidized in whole or in part by these sponsors. A special thanks to Grant Hazelwood, Doug Cowen, Milt Warren, Ken Fujino and Brenda Knox for giving that "little extra" to help organize the Conference and its various activities.

The tremendous support received also enabled us to forward a substantial amount of funds towards the printing of the proceedings.

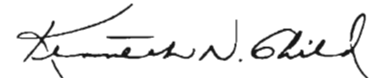
A variety of topics were discussed in the technical sessions dealing with moose management efforts in various jurisdictions, habitat relationships, behaviour, population dynamics, predation and physiology. The

technical sessions were chaired by Wally MacGregor, Tim Timmerman, Pat Karns and Ralph Ritcey. The "Distinguished Moose Biologist Award" was presented to Dr. Al Franzman for his research contributions to moose management. Dr. Tony Bubenik accepted the award for Dr. Franzman, who unfortunately was unable to attend the conference. Dr. Harold Cumming was honoured at the banquet also in recognition of his five years of service as editor of the conference proceedings.

A word of appreciation to Mr. Russ Logan, Master of Ceremonies, Mr. Ben Meissner, our banquet speaker, Mr. Elmer Mercier, Mayor of Prince George and the Honourable A.J. Brummet, Minister of Environment, for their contributions of time and effort.

We truly hope that all delegates enjoyed the hospitality of the City of Prince George during the conference.

Sincerely,



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Host/Chairman
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