

UNB Woodsmen compete

by Erin Campbell

Three weekends ago the UNB woodsmen team competed in a major tournament in Montréal.

Although the faculty of forestry trains its students in the field of science, it is still important to remember the discipline's traditions. In fact, the skills of yesterday's lumberjacks are put into use today by the students involved in UNB's woodsmen team. The practices, which predate the invention of the chain saw, require stamina, strength, skill, ability and clearly hard work.

The woodsmen team competes in team, pairs and singles events. Among the team events are throwing four-foot long pulp for accuracy, log rolling and decking. Pairs compete in horizontal and vertical chops and quarter split events.

Single events include snowshoe races, axe throw, pulp toss, a 30 foot pole climb, water boil (a contest to see which woodsman can boil water first using a cedar fire) and chain throw. The chain throw is a technique lumberjacks use to "cruise a line" through the forest. The woodsman must then throw the chain and wrap it in a way similar to how one would wrap an extension cord. The

type and number of events vary with each competition.

The UNB Woodsmen team, comprised of both women and men, usually have good showings. In Montréal, a meet attended by thirty teams, all 3 teams - two men's and one women's from UNB placed well above the other teams in their divisions. Placing for the woodsmen included a second place finish for the UNB-A team and a third place showing

for UNB-C in the women's division.

UNB also hosts its own tournament in mid-October and it is the first major competition of the Scholastic year. In the past the tournament has drawn teams from as far away as Thunder Bay and New York.

The woodsmen team will compete this weekend in Truro, Nova Scotia.

Bridges House polar dip

Press Release

It's that time of year once again when the St. John River freezes over and the residents of Bridges House get an uncontrollable urge to cut a hole in the ice and take a plunge into the mind-numbing cold water. This year has proven no different as the men and women of Bridges will hold their 4th Annual polar Dip on Saturday, February 8th, at precisely 2:00 pm behind the Lord Beaverbrook hotel.

There is also a serious side to the event, it is the support Bridges House would like everyone to show to the Fredericton metro Food Bank. Donations of dried and canned

foods will be accepted at the site. The house members also conducted a very successful Food Drive in various areas of the city of February 1st. The Food Bank is always in need of public support for their benevolent services, especially in this time of economic recession.

Bridges House invites one and all to come watch them take the plunge on the 8th, and asks you to help out by giving what you can to the Food bank. Also, we would like to remind students that the fun will continue that night at the Bridges house Polar Dip Social from 9pm to 1am (I.D. Req'd). Ice cubes will be provided.

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Assembly positions in several areas such as the Charter of Rights. To a question from the floor regarding the Assembly position on what would constitute self government, Young suggested that these are areas being looked at now but that there is no rigid position or definition as of yet.

Regarding property rights Young was clear in stating the rejection of the protection for property in the constitution. He stated, with obvious approval from several on-lookers, that multinationals have already used what laws there are to strip the land of its natural resources. Anything further, he indicated, would only exacerbate an already critical situation.

When asked what a Native response would be in the event of Quebec sovereignty, Young stated emphatically "Quebec will have one Hell of a time breaking from Canada because First Nations people are not going to let them go."

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efficiently, "the funding bodies won't have anything to worry about."

Roy Nicholl, another member of the search committee, is "hopeful" that the board may decide to reallocate funds for the committee, but he won't be surprised if that does not happen.

And neither is van Raalte. While he feels the search committee is a high priority, he also points out that CHSR

To the surprise of many Young suggested matter of factly that the Federal government had already struck a deal with Quebec on constitutional reform. He also indicated that that reform would include entrenchment of aboriginal self government. By the end of the evening it was evident that diversity in opinion is in abundance on all of these issues. In terms of concrete proposals Young stated that the sharing of natural resources is one area in which concessions will have to be made.

On an optimistic note, Chief Polchies commenting on the constitutional reform process and Native issues at large, said after the address "I've always been aware of the popular support of the people for our positions...I've always had the belief that if we work together and let things like common sense and mutual trust be our guides, we can't go wrong."

is presently dealing with a "bare bone" budget and reallocation is possible but not likely.

Bhaird claims that London, who was until recently acting chair of the search committee, has not handled the search committee well and that his actions are actually "detrimental to the station".

London has decided to resign from the committee and STU councillor Samantha Coates is replacing him.

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