

The NLEN E-UPDATE – September 14, 2009

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Come check out the demonstration garden behind the Gathering Place, situated at the north side of the Basilica Parking Lot. The garden is an educational tool to promote simple techniques for safe gardening and recreation in areas with elevated soil lead levels. We also conduct research in innovative and environmentally sound methods to promote overall soil health in support of urban agriculture.

Learn about safe city gardening; landscaping to prevent lead exposure; phytoremediation: using plants to clean the soil; and biochar: an organic soil amendment which increases soil fertility while sequestering carbon; and more!

To arrange a free garden tour and presentation for your family, workplace or community group, please contact Project Coordinator Lori Heath at 738-7542 or safersoil@gmail.com. Educational materials are also available at our website at www.safersoil.ning.com. St. John's Safer Soil is a project of the Centre for Long-term Environmental Action in Newfoundland and Labrador (CLEANf/Ld).

2. Marine Institute Public Lecture on Ocean Health, September 14

Hampton Hall, Marine Institute, 5:00 pm.

The Marine Institute is hosting a free public lecture in Hampton Hall, Monday, September 14, at 5 p.m. The theme is Ocean Health and the featured speakers include Dr. George Rose, author of *Cod: The Ecological History of the North Atlantic Fisheries*, and Captain Mark Schrader of the Ocean Watch, a 64-foot sailboat that is travelling around North and South America to build awareness about ocean health on an international scale. For more information, call 778-0677.

3. East Coast Trail Association Annual General Meeting, September 14

Monday, September 14th, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Foran Greene Room at St. John's City Hall

East Coast Trail Association AGM and election of Officers: Reports will be made on the year's business and questions or comments will be welcomed. If you are considering volunteering with us and wish to offer yourself as a Board member, the nominations committee would be delighted to hear from you. For information call 738-4453. Feel free to call if you have any questions: Darlene Scott, Secretary Board of Directors, (709) 368 6620, darlene.scott@eastcoasttrail.com

4. Humber Natural History Society Public Talk: Jonathans Brook Watershed Assessment, September 14

Sept 14, 7:30pm
Sir Wilfred Grenfell College, LC 301, Corner Brook

Guest Speaker: Donald Keefe, Aquatics Group, NL Wildlife Division. Everyone welcome.
www.hnhs.ca

5. Hebron Project Public Information Sessions, September 14 - 19

All are from 2pm - 4pm & 7pm-9pm

Sept 14, Clarenville, Clarenville Inn
Sept 15, Marystown, Hotel Marystown
Sept 17, St. John's, Delta Hotel
Sept 19, Corner Brook, Greenwood Hotel

"Interested members of the public are invited to come talk with the senior decision-makers of the Hebron project. It's an opportunity to speak directly with the project leaders and to share your input on the development of the project as it relates to you, your community and your province." For more info, www.hebronproject.com

6. St. John's Mayoral Debate, September 15

Tues. Sept 15th, 7pm - 8:30pm
D.F. Cook Recital Hall, MUN School of Music

The St. John's Board of Trade hosts this event as part of its municipal issues campaign leading up to the Sept 29th election. Declared candidates for mayor include incumbent Dennis O'Keefe, Ron Ellsworth, the current deputy mayor, and Mark Wilson, who works on local food & community issues and sings for The Idlers.

People attending the debate will be given a chance to submit a written question, and questions will then be chosen randomly from the 'hat' to be asked in the debate. If you can not attend the debate but have a question related to environmental issues, send them to nlen.ed@gmail.com and we'll try to get as many as possible 'thrown into the hat'.

7. Sustainable Planning for Small Communities Workshop, September 16

Hosted by: NEIA, Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation and the City of Corner Brook
Date: Wednesday, September 16th, 8:30am - 4:00pm
Location: Glynmill Inn (Grenfell Salon A & B), Corner Brook
Registration Fee: \$30.00 + HST

Sustainable Planning and Development for Small Communities is a workshop designed as an introduction to best practices in sustainable planning specifically for municipal councils, municipal staff, developers, planners, educational institutions, community groups and the general public. The workshop provides basic, practical information about sustainable development issues for smaller communities and at the same time lays a solid conceptual foundation. The aim of the workshop is to inspire the participants and to demonstrate that sustainability for all communities is both practical and attainable. Attend this informative workshop and have a stake in the outcome of your community's sustainable planning. Registrations are limited and will be accepted on a first come, first served basis.

Register by calling Joanne at 709-772-3333 or go to www.neia.org and follow the link.

8. NLEN Lunch & Learn with Justin Dearing, September 16

Wed. Sept 16th, noon - 1pm
Environmental Gathering Place, 172 Military Rd. (next to the Basilica)

Justin Dearing, Provincial Director of Ocean Net, earlier this summer visited the Pahala Plantations in Hawai'i to attend a Sustainability Champions workshop with The Natural Step Canada. Justin had a remarkable experience with the people and culture of Hawai'i, gained a good deal of knowledge with respect to The Natural Step's framework for sustainability, and has since began looking at the incredible opportunities here in NL for changes toward sustainability. Justin is happy to share his personal and professional experience with you through this Lunch & Learn. See you there!

Please bring your own lunch. Fair trade organic coffee & tea provided.

9. Research-level Seminar: The Role of Biocomplexity in Sustaining Fisheries, September 16

Wednesday, Sept. 16, 1 p.m.
AA-1046, Arts & Administration Building, MUN

Seminar with Dr. Ray Hilborn. This will be followed by a roundtable discussion: "The complexity of sustainable fisheries: Bridging science and policy" at 2:15 p.m., IIC-1004, Inco Innovation Centre. All are welcome.

10. Gardening Workshop at MUN Botanical Garden: Perennials for Fall, September 16

Wednesday, September 16, 7 – 9 p.m.

Newfoundland has a relatively short growing season with generally poor springs. However, our fall season is often quite pleasant and long. There are many plants that naturally bloom in September through to early November that can take advantage of our mild falls and help extend the garden season. This workshop will introduce you to the diversity of fall-blooming plants that are suitable for our region. The instructor is Todd Boland, research horticulturist with the Botanical Garden. Pre-registration is required.

For more information or to register, please phone 737-8590 or visit the Garden's website: www.mun.ca/botgarden.

For more information on Botanical Garden events and programs, please contact Anne Madden, education coordinator, 737-8590, or e-mail: amadden@mun.ca.

11. Synergy Session: Will the Cod Ever Come Back? September 17

Comparing the Grand Banks with New England and the North Sea
Hosted by The Leslie Harris Centre of Regional Policy and Development
With Dr. Ray Hilborn, Faculty of Aquatic and Fishery Sciences, University of Washington

Thursday, Sept. 17, 12:00 pm to 1:30 pm
4th Floor Boardroom, Spencer Hall, Memorial University

Admission is free, but registration is required for catering and parking purposes. Space is limited, so register early. Parking is available in Lot # 19 (in front of Queen's College) and a sandwich lunch is provided by the Harris Centre. Please advise if you have any dietary requirements. To register, contact Chelsey Laird at claird@mun.ca or (709) 737-8405.

12. Public Lecture: Maintaining Fishing Communities - Harvest Strategies and Allocation Methods, September 17

Sept. 17 at 7:30 p.m.

IIC-2001, MUN. (It will also be webcast live at www.mun.ca/dags/upcoming.php.)

The lecture is free and open to the public. A reception in honour of Dr. Hilborn will follow in the lower atrium of the Inco Innovation Centre.

Dr. Ray Hilborn is a professor in the School of Aquatic and Fishery Sciences, University of Washington, specializing in natural resource management and conservation.

13. Natural History Society NL Public Lecture: "Let's Not Get Stuck in the Desert", September 17

Time and Place: Thursday, September 17, 2009 at 8:00 p.m. at the MUN Botanical Garden, 306 Mt. Scio Road, St. Johns, NL.

Speaker and Topic: Bobbie Mayer: "Let's Not Get Stuck in the Desert"

Bobbie Mayer, a long time NHS member, will give a slide show and talk on a portion of her most recent travels- a road trip to Utah. Stopping to bird watch, botanize and check out the geology, she and son Reed drove across the Sierra Nevadas of California and the state of Nevada to the San Rafael Swell in eastern Utah. They found volcanic craters, trilobite fossils, slot canyons, pictographs and petroglyphs to enchant them, and micro brews of Polygamy Porter and Full Suspension Ale to sample.

Please join the NHS for this fun and interesting talk. For further information, contact Society Past-President at 737-8771.

The Natural History Society of Newfoundland and Labrador is this province's oldest conservation organization. It continues to be one of the province's most active environmental organizations. Except for the summer months, the Society hosts monthly free public meetings on environmental and other natural history topics on the third Thursday of each month. The Society also publishes *The Osprey*, a quarterly journal dedicated to documenting the natural history of the province. Membership is \$25.00 per year; application forms and past editions of *The Osprey* are always available at the monthly meetings.

14. Fall BikeShare Launch, September 18

Need a bike for the fall semester?

BikeShare will lend you one for just \$20. Open to all MUN faculty, staff and students. Bring your MUN I.D., a bike lock, helmet and \$20 to the lower level of the Earth Sciences parking garage on Friday, September 18th from 12pm until 2pm and pick out your bike. We've got hot bikes for all shapes and sizes!

Please Note: There is no waiting list for this event, it is first come first served. Make sure you get there early if you want to get a bike! We have about 40 bikes that have been lovingly repaired by our (mostly) volunteer mechanics :)

If you have any questions, send us a message at munbikeshare@gmail.com. Visit <http://munbikeshare.wordpress.com/>.

15. Workshops at the St. John's Farmers' Market, September 19

The St. John's Farmers' Market (<http://stjohnsfarmersmarket.org/>) is every Saturday at the Lion's Club Chalet on Bonaventure Avenue. 9am-2pm

Sept 19th - Food & the Environment

(+ at noon: Tick Tick Tick...This is our Future: Learn how you can be part of St. John's Biggest Action on the World's Biggest Issue!)

Sept 26th - Edible, Sustainable City: How our Municipal Government can help create a green, food secure city (we will be inviting all St. John's Mayoral candidates to take part!)

Oct 3rd - Canning & Preserving w/ Ross Traverse

Workshops are free and organized by NLEN and FEAST.

16. Bicycle Trek for Better Breathing, September 19

You can survive three days without water, three weeks without food, but only three minutes without air. Yet most of us take breathing for granted. Most of us, but not the one in five Newfoundlanders and Labradorians with lung disease.

Lung disease is the single fastest growing cause of hospitalization, disability and death in Canada today. Every year lung disease changes, cripples and end lives at an increasing rate.

This is why the Newfoundland and Labrador Lung Association is developing a Bicycle Trek to raise awareness of lung disease and help raise money so we can further develop projects to protect the air we breathe and help people breathe a little easier.

The Bicycle Trek will take place on September 19th, 2009 where cyclist will ride the 80km loop from Quidi Vidi Lake to Pouch Cove then returning to Quidi Vidi Lake The Newfoundland and Labrador Lung Association will take care of everything, including emergency gear transportation from start to finish, rest stops, Mechanical and Medical route vans, and a celebration afterwards.

Are You Up For The Challenge?

Join us for an incredible day as we challenge ourselves so we can all breathe a little easier. You can make a difference. See you at the starting line!

For registration and more information:

Tel: (709) 726-4664, Email: info@nf.lung.ca web: www.nf.lung.ca

17. Organic Gardening Workshops on the West Coast, September 19, 26

Learn about general principles of growing food organically; get inspired to create your own family or community garden; share ideas about sustainable agriculture. Lunch w/ local organic food will be served.

Sat. Sept 19th, 9am - 3pm: Pasadena Ski & Nature Park (register by Sept 17)
Sat. Sept 26th, 9am - 3pm: Birchy Head Recreation Centre, Bonne Bay South (Reg. by Sept 24)

To register: call Ryan 709-638-9846 or email: nlorganicworkshops@gmail.com. Free.
(Participants will be asked to complete a survey in lieu of a registration fee.)

18. East Coast Trail Association Scheduled Hike: Topsail to St. Thomas, September 20

Distance: 6 km, Duration: 2.5 hours
Rating: Easy/moderate - suitable for beginners, seniors or families
Start Time: 2:00 pm
Meet at the end of Thorburn Road, at St. Philip's Harbour.
Leader: Cathy Carroll cathycarroll62@hotmail.com 364 6233
Note: this is an undeveloped path with some windfall and boggy sections

19. FEASt Open Garden Day and Local Food Potluck Picnic, September 20

FEASt's Open Garden Day, 1-5pm (city-wide)
Local Food Potluck Picnic, 5-8pm (Bannerman Park)

Self-guided tour of local food gardens. Download the map at www.feastnl.ca or pick up a copy at Food for Thought (382 Duckworth St.) or at the St. John's Farmers' Market. Then bring your favourite dish down to share at the park. Free. Everyone welcome!

20. Harris Centre 'Synergy Session': Biomass/Bioenergy: Foundation For Forest Sector Regeneration, September 21

with Mr. Peter Milley, M.B.A., C.M.C, Halifax Global Inc.

Monday, September 21, 2009, 12:00 pm to 1:30 pm
4th Floor Boardroom, Spencer Hall, Memorial University

What are the various biomass processing technologies to which idled forestry processing facilities can potentially be converted? What are the key conversion challenges to developing a viable 'green' biomass/ bioenergy business on the foundation of an industrial platform that dates from the early decades of the last century? Do current policy and industry structure constrain the available supply of biomass to new ventures and tend to encourage existing traditional forest sector companies to resist introduction of new biomass-based businesses? What public policy changes and other new initiatives are necessary to foster combinations of processing technologies and products which can serve as the foundation for a viable forest sector of the future? Are these new technologies a panacea or a Pandora's box? This presentation will address these and other questions as the forest industry of Newfoundland and Labrador struggles to re-invent itself in the light of major global changes.

Peter Milley is a founding partner of Halifax Global Inc., one of Atlantic Canada's leading independent management consulting firms. He has been involved with numerous forest and bio-resource projects in Newfoundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia, and Eastern and Northern Ontario. In 2008, Mr. Milley led the Halifax Global team that developed the forest sector strategy currently being implemented by the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador.

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sandwich lunch is provided by the Harris Centre. Please advise if you have any dietary requirements. To register, contact Chelsey Laird at claird@mun.ca or (709) 737-8405.

21. Lower Churchill Information Sessions, September 21 – 24

The Secretariat for the Joint Panel appointed to review the proposed Lower Churchill Hydroelectric Generation Project invites the public to attend additional information sessions.

The information sessions will give Aboriginal groups, the public, governments and other interested parties an opportunity to hear about how the joint panel review will proceed and how they can participate. Federal and provincial representatives who form the Secretariat will be making presentations and will answer questions. The Panel will not be present at these sessions.

The dates and locations of the information sessions are as follows :

September 21, 2009 – North West River (NL)

Labrador Interpretation Center, 2 Portage Road, North West River
7:00 pm to 9:30 pm

September 22, 2009 - Hopedale (NL)

Amaguk Inn dining room, Hopedale
7:30 pm to 9:30 pm

September 22, 2009 – Mud Lake (NL)

Community Hall, Mud Lake
7:00 pm to 9:30 pm

September 23, 2009 - Rigolet (NL)

Community Hall, Rigolet
7:00 pm to 9:30 pm

September 24, 2009 - St. John's (NL)

Holiday Inn, 180 Portugal Cove Road, St. John's
7:00 pm to 9:30 pm

September 24, 2009 - Sept-Îles (QC)

Hôtel Gouverneur Sept-Îles, 666 Laure blvd., Sept-Îles
7:00 pm to 9:30 pm

Further information on this project is available on the Canadian Environmental Assessment Registry at www.ceaa.gc.ca, registry number 07-05-26178.

22. Meet the Torbay Candidates Evening, September 22

Tuesday, September 22, 7:00 PM
Torbay Kinsmen Centre on Bauline Line

Torbay Environment and Trails Committee, in cooperation with Torbay Heritage Committee, is hosting a "Meet the Candidates evening" on Tuesday September 22 at 7pm in the Torbay Kinsmen Centre on Bauline Line.

If you live in Torbay this is your opportunity to hear municipal council and mayoral candidates' views on some of the many environmental issues facing Torbay today. Get to know your candidates' views before you vote.

23. Strategy Session for Sustainable Forests, September 25 - 27

Grenfell College, Corner Brook, NL
Sept.25 to Sept.27

The Newfoundland and Labrador Chapter of Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society (CPAWS) is presenting a strategy workshop for sustainable forestry facilitated by the Environmental Policy Institute (EPI) of Sir Wilfred Grenfell College. For more information, a copy of the agenda or to register, please email: nlforest@cpaws.org

24. Municipal Elections Across NL, September 29

Tues., Sept 29, 2009 - Municipal Elections across NL

You can vote if you are 1) a Canadian citizen, 2) 18 years of age or older on election day, 3) a resident of that municipality at least 30 days prior to election day.

You can run as a candidate if you are all of those things, plus not in arrears of taxes or other money owed to the municipality and "not otherwise disqualified under the Municipal Elections Act." (Nomination dates vary slightly by municipality.)

If you recently moved, recently turned 18, or for whatever other reason might not be on the voters' list, you must fill out an 'Application to Have Name Included in List of Electors' and provide ID, including something with your address. (Deadlines for this vary, but it seems best to do so by the end of August, to be on the safe side.)

Call and/or check out the website of your municipality for more information, including key dates, downloading forms, etc.

25. FEAST Retreat, Brother Brennan Centre, October 3 - 4

Saturday, Oct 3rd / Sunday Oct 4th: Food Education Action St. John's Retreat, Brother Brennan Centre

Looking to get more involved with FEAST? Wanting to inspire change from the ground up, through the growing of food & community? Interested in getting to know a bunch of wonderful people in a relaxing, beautiful setting?

Join in this 2-day retreat to socialize, scheme, conspire, play, create, rejuvenate & celebrate! By pay-what-you-can donation + bring your own food. Carpooling from St. John's (about 75 min drive). (Further logistics TBA.) To reserve a space or for more info, email: local.feast@gmail.com.

26. NLEN Annual General Meeting, October 17

Oct 17th, NLEN Annual General Meeting, Bonne Bay Marine Station
(Carpooling from St. John's area on the 16th and returning on the 18th)

Save these dates and join us for an exciting & informative gathering in beautiful Bonne Bay!
More details coming soon.

27. Tck Tck Tck... This is our Future, October 24

Sat. Oct 24th (Global Day of Action on Climate Change), 3pm, Nagle's Hill (by the Fluvarium), St. John's

Count Yourself In -
St. John's Biggest Action on the World's Biggest Issue!
Tck, Tck, Tck...This is our Future

Help create a human hourglass and show Canada that it's time to step up in Copenhagen.

We need YOU to be there! To sign up: email tck.Oct24@gmail.com

(For more info see: 350.org, nlen.ca, + VIDEO (1 min): Tck, Tck, Tck: It's Time to Act on Climate Change <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xld3SCLT54k>)

28. 2009 Atlantic Green Forum on Sustainable Landscapes, November 9 - 10

St. John's, Nov. 9 - 10

Landscape Newfoundland and Labrador invites you to participate in the 2009 Atlantic Green Forum. The goal of the Atlantic Green Forum is to investigate how the environmental horticulture industry interacts with the landscape and what we can do to encourage sustainability in landscape design and installation.

Seminars will be offered from local, national and international experts on topics related to Sustainable Landscapes. Exhibits will be set up, and networking opportunities will be offered to share best practices for our industry. Prospective delegates include municipal planners, government officials, landscape architects, academics, members of the environmental horticulture industry, and suppliers to our industry. Topics include: 'Water Issues in Sustainable Urban Landscapes', 'Green Roofs and Living Walls', 'LEED & Sustainable Sites', and much more.

Cost: \$200 for two days; \$125 for one day; \$30/day for students.

For more information, contact Rebecca Wetselaar by phone at 1-866-383-4711 or by email at rebecca@canadanursery.com. Visit our website at www.landscapenl.org.

ACTIONS

29. Global Education Initiative

The Global Education Initiative is a campaign that was started in the winter of 2009 with the goal of promoting global issues in the provincial school system. So far, this group of young activists have made some important headway in impacting the content of several courses in the k-12 system, and we've been invited to give input into two other courses in the coming year. GEI's primary goal is to have a course related to social justice instated at the high school level, and its members are also considering lobbying for global change at Memorial University.

This is an incredible opportunity to help reshape the way our youth think about global issues and the potential impact can be enormous. However, in order to work to our fullest potential, we are looking for passionate, local activists who are able to take on leadership roles with this group in the coming year. If you are interested in taking on a leadership role with this project, please e-mail erinayward@hotmail.com, and she would be happy to let you know more!

30. Designate 1,4-dioxane as "Toxic" and Get it Out of Personal Care Products

Urge the Canadian government to designate cancer-causing 1,4-dioxane as toxic and get it out of personal care products: <http://petition.environmentaldefence.ca/dioxane/>

31. Action Alert: Tar Sands - Not in Canada's Ecological or Energy Security Interests

It has recently emerged in the news that PetroChina Co. Ltd's is striking a \$1.9 billion dollar deal with privately owned Athabasca Oil Sands Corp. (AOSC). Under this deal, PetroChina will acquire a 60 per cent working interest in AOSC's MacKay River and Dover oil sands. Under the Investment Canada Act, the federal government is obliged to review foreign takeovers to ensure they represent a net benefit to Canada. Recent amendments to the Act authorize the government to review whether investments impair or threaten to impair national security. As Industry Minister, Tony Clement has the authority to recommend such a review. Send a letter urging him to ensure that the deal is reviewed in the interests of Canada's ecological and energy security. <http://canadians.org/action/2009/04-Sept-09.html>

FUNDING, AWARDS & COMPETITIONS

32. ENGO Biodiversity Contest Extended, Deadline September 15

Don't let Newfoundland and Labrador be left out!

In advance of the International Year of Biodiversity in 2010, the Canadian Environmental Network is launching a Best Practices/Case Studies Contest to gather innovative and effective examples of environmental non-governmental organizations' (ENGOS) work related to the conservation, sustainable use, and awareness of biodiversity.

The "winning" case studies and best practices will be featured in a 20-page handbook that will be included as an annex to Canada's Fourth National Report to the Convention on Biological Diversity in preparation of the tenth meeting of the Parties to the Convention from October 18-29, 2010 in Nagoya, Japan. Our aim is to include one best practice/case study from each province and territory. If your best practice or case study is selected, you will receive \$200 to write a 1-2 page summary to be included in the handbook.

More information here: http://www.cen-rce.org/eng/consultations/comment_calls/09_07_biocontest.html?utm_source=RCEN+E-Bulletin&utm_campaign=f41e15a552-e_Bulletin_aug6_Eng&utm_medium=email

33. Youth Eco Internships

The Youth Eco Internship Program places people aged 15 to 30 from diverse backgrounds into paid internship opportunities within the non-profit and community services sector in Canada with a focus on the environment, community and women's services. These positions, offered in a wide range of organizations, will help young Canadians learn the skills required to gain and sustain future employment within the sector. This project is a collaboration between the YMCA and YWCA Canada, with funding provided by the Government of Canada's Economic Action Plan.

Apply for an internship or apply to be a host organization: <http://www.yeip.ca/>.

NEWS

34. Eco-Quote of the Week

"In fact, the award for the most seriously green part of the country would have to go to the East Coast: Atlantic Canadians are most likely to agree that Canada should take action on climate change, even if it means higher deficits, and want to restrict economic stimulus to environmentally sustainable projects. They are also the most likely to say they are doing their personal part for the environment.... And no matter how many times and ways they ask the questions, the pollsters say the answer is always the same: The best lovers, at least as self-reported, live in Newfoundland."

- Forget politics: Canada's real regional disparities

<http://www.theglobeandmail.com/news/national/forget-politics-here-are-canadas-real-regional-disparities/article1268817/>

35. Website of the Week

Warm Up Winnipeg: Lower Utilities, Stronger Communities - "We strive to make housing more affordable and environmentally friendly by lowering energy and water bills. We are also a job training program..." www.warmupwinnipeg.ca

(St. John's-based Choices for Youth is looking to develop a similar 'social enterprise' involving training young people to do energy retrofits. They hosted a presentation last week by the ED of Warm Up Winnipeg.)

36. Provincial Government News Releases

September 11, 2009 - East Coast Trail to Expand its Network with Provincial Government Investment <http://www.releases.gov.nl.ca/releases/2009/intrd/0911n10.htm>

September 9, 2009 - Cupids 400 Legacy Centre Will Have Green Legacy As Well <http://www.releases.gov.nl.ca/releases/2009/env/0909n04.htm>

September 9, 2009 - Environmental Assessment Bulletin <http://www.releases.gov.nl.ca/releases/2009/env/0909n09.htm>

September 9, 2009 - Maritime Route Still Option for Lower Churchill Power <http://www.releases.gov.nl.ca/releases/2009/nr/0909n11.htm>

37. Environmental News Articles

Harper accused of selling out fisheries <http://www.cbc.ca/canada/newfoundland-labrador/story/2009/09/10/nl-fisheries-control-910.html>

Arctic May Be Changed Forever, Study Finds <http://www.livescience.com/environment/090910-arctic-biology.html>

Japan vows big climate change cut <http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/science/nature/8241016.stm>
Japan election a shot in the arm for climate talks <http://www.grist.org/article/2009-09-09-japan-election-copenhagen-climate-talks>

France's Sarkozy pushes ahead with unpopular carbon tax <http://www.grist.org/article/2009-09-10-sarkozy-pushes-ahead-with-unpopular-carbon-tax/>

Seas 'threaten 20m in Bangladesh' http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/south_asia/8240406.stm

Legal victory for endangered species across Canada
<http://www.davidsuzuki.org/latestnews/dsfnews09100905.asp>

Outdoor schooling has many benefits
http://www.davidsuzuki.org/about_us/Dr_David_Suzuki/Article_Archives/weekly09110901.asp

Oil tank rebate program will leave many in the cold <http://www.nl.ndp.ca/oiltankrelease>

Top 1% got two-thirds of all all U.S. income gains between 2002-2007
<http://www.nupge.ca/node/2544>

World's first floating wind turbine starts up in Norway <http://www.grist.org/article/2009-09-08-worlds-first-floating-wind-turbine-starts-up-in-norway/>

New facility at Trent University one of Canada's most sustainable buildings
<http://www.thepeterboroughexaminer.com/ArticleDisplay.aspx?e=1748846>
(Find out more about the Camp Kawartha Environment Centre at www.sustainablebuilding2009.ca)

Why did Monsanto's latest GE Foods get a free pass into Canada?
<http://rabble.ca/news/2009/09/why-did-monsantos-latest-ge-foods-get-free-pass-canada>

Fish farms put squeeze on marine resources <http://www.theglobeandmail.com/life/food-and-wine/fish-farms-put-squeeze-on-marine-resources/article1279812/> (Stat from the article: it takes about 5kg of wild fish to create 1kg of farmed salmon)

A rational argument to take action on climate change (video)
http://thegreenpages.ca/portal/bc/2009/09/a_rational_argument.html

38. Recent Environment Related CBC Podcasts

Radio Noon - <http://www.cbc.ca/podcasting/pastpodcasts.html?53#ref53>

Sept. 10, 2009 - Bruce Cran on Bell Mobility paper charge
Sept. 9, 2009 - Michael Hlinka: Bottled water on university campuses
Sept. 9, 2009 - Crosstalk: Scents in Public Places
Sept. 8, 2009 - Bell Mobility paper charge

St. John's Morning Show - <http://www.cbc.ca/podcasting/pastpodcasts.html?38#ref38>

West Coast Morning Show - <http://www.cbc.ca/podcasting/pastpodcasts.html?62#ref62>
Sept. 10, 2009 - Gros Morne Culverts

Labrador Morning - <http://www.cbc.ca/podcasting/pastpodcasts.html?31#ref31>
Sept. 8 - A study by a professor in this province looking at just how fragile the boreal forests are

RESOURCES

39. Newfoundland and Labrador Environmental Educators Newsletter

NLEE, Newfoundland and Labrador Environmental Educators, have a new newsletter to get people up-to-date about what has been happening since their inaugural workshop in May. To

receive a PDF copy of the newsletter, and/or to find out more information about NLEE, please email NLEE Executive member Jill Pitcher: jpitcher@mmsb.nl.ca

40. David Suzuki at Work Toolkit

This toolkit will help you build a cleaner, greener workplace and save your organization time and money. You'll build stronger relationships with the people you work with, and help the planet and your organization in the process.

Download the free toolkit here:

http://www.davidsuzuki.org/NatureChallenge/at_Work/sign_up.aspx?tr=y&aid=5293499

41. Top 10 Ways to Detoxify Your Life

<http://www.toxicnation.ca/files/toxicnation/guides/Top10ToxicList.pdf>

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The E-Update Instructions

This E-Update is intended to announce your meetings and showcase your interests and events. Please send notices to nleneupdate@gmail.com by Friday 10 a.m. as a paragraph with 10 point font, simple formatting, single spaced and left hand justified. Notices less than 200 words, and with no attachments, are best.

More about NLEN

The NLEN is a network of more than 40 member groups in the province. The goal of the NLEN is to facilitate communication between non-government environmental organizations, and assist members with initiatives through non-advocacy means. Member groups operate to conserve, protect or restore the Earth's ecosystem through action, education; stewardship and/or modeling ecologically sound ways of life. All provinces and the Yukon have environmental networks funded by the Canadian Environment Network. www.cen-rce.org.

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