
SOCIETY NEWS

NATURE SASKATCHEWAN 1994 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 1994 annual general meeting was held in Moose Jaw in early October.

Following is a list of 1994 award recipients:

Frank Switzer of Regina went home with the Larry Morgotch Award, for his series of impressive slide shows on a variety of subjects.

Lynn Oliphant of Saskatoon was presented the prestigious Conservation Award for his lifetime commitment to nature study and conservation.

A new award for the Volunteer of the Year was given to **Muriel Carlson** of Saskatoon for her efforts in raising money for and awareness about the Turtle Lake Nature Sanctuary.

Ed Walker, Catherine Letkeman, and **Ron and Val Andrews** of Moose Jaw and **Lise Perrault** of Val Marie were named as Nature Saskatchewan Fellows.

Keith Barr of Regina won the Cliff Shaw Award for a series of short articles in *Blue Jay*.

LEDINGHAM RECEIVES SASKATCHEWAN ORDER OF MERIT

George Ledingham of Regina received the Saskatchewan Order of Merit, 27 October 1994. The Order of Merit recognizes individual excellence and outstanding contributions to the social, cultural and economic well-being of the province and its residents.

Ledingham, retired professor of botany, born in Moose Jaw in 1911, took his first degrees at the University of Saskatchewan and a doctorate in plant genetics at the University of Wisconsin in 1939. After working on the family farm during the war years, he taught biology at Regina College, then the University of Regina for forty years. He inspired generations of students with his enthusiasm for conserving nature and the environment. After retirement from full-time teaching in 1978, Dr. Ledingham was named professor emeritus and curator of the herbarium, a collection of dried specimens of plants. He continued part-time instruction until 1983 and still works every day at the herbarium.

George Ledingham has an international reputation as a conservationist and expert in prairie plants and ecology. He was a founding member of Nature Saskatchewan [then the Saskatchewan Natural History Society] and served for 16 years as the editor of *Blue Jay*. He has collected over 50,000 specimens of vascular plants in the herbarium and is now collecting moss and lichen specimens. A species of plant he discovered in Iran in 1966 has been named after him. Dr. Ledingham was instrumental in the establishment of the Grasslands National Park in southern Saskatchewan. He is a self-trained authority on Saskatchewan birds. In 1986, the University of Regina conferred an honorary doctorate of laws on him and in 1990 named the George F. Ledingham Herbarium in his honour. He has received the Canada 125 medal in addition to awards from Parks Canada, Environment Canada and the Canadian Nature Federation.

SASKATCHEWAN NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 AUGUST 1994 (revised)

Assets	Operating Fund (\$)	Trust Fund (\$)	Managed Fund (\$)	Total 1994 (\$)	Total 1993 (\$)
Cash and short-term deposits	128,347	50,078	—	178,425	199,650
Accounts receivable	34,532	—	—	34,532	18,154
Inventory	13,080	—	—	13,080	12,658
Prepaid expenses	3,222	—	—	3,222	1,024
Marketable securities (quoted market value \$249,451; 1993 - \$245,438)	—	249,310	—	249,310	242,735
Capital (note 4)	50,536	—	—	50,536	40,245
Interfund receivable (payable)	(42,233)	—	42,233	—	—
	187,484	299,388	42,233	529,105	514,466
Liabilities and Members Equity					
Accounts payable and Accrued liabilities	5,049	—	—	5,049	5,599
Deferred amounts Funding (note 5)	69,581	—	—	69,581	69,323
Restricted					
Open (schedule 1a)	28,609	—	—	28,609	44,007
Closed (schedule 1b)	7,874	—	—	7,874	8,130
Managed (schedule 5)	—	—	42,233	42,233	21,931
	111,113	—	42,233	153,346	148,990
Fund balances (schedule 4 - trust fund)	25,835	299,388	—	325,223	325,231
Equity in capital assets	50,536	—	—	50,536	40,245
	187,484	299,388	42,233	529,105	514,466

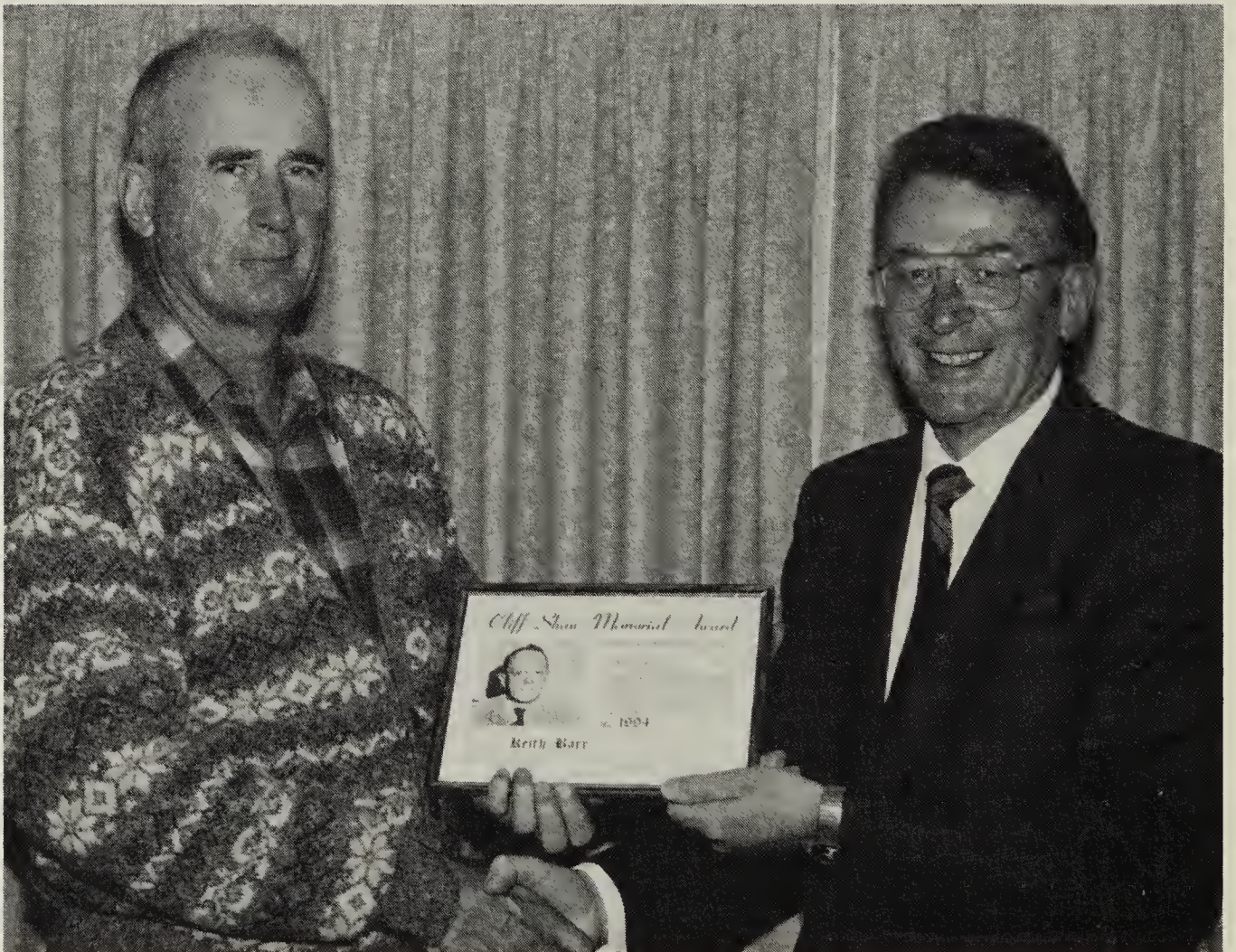
**SASKATCHEWAN NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL
ACTIVITIES AND FUND BALANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 AUGUST 1994**

(revised)

Income	Operating Fund (\$)	Trust Fund (\$)	Managed Fund (\$)	Total 1994 (\$)	Total 1993 (\$)
Grants					
Sask Lotteries	106,400	—	—	106,400	101,100
Conservation Prog.	27,483	—	—	27,483	16,325
Education	3,377	—	—	3,377	—
Endangered spec.	18,052	—	—	18,052	9,000
Spec. prog. (sched. 1)	19,980	—	—	19,980	30,512
Self gen. (sched. 2)	50,067	—	—	50,067	42,310
Other rev. (sched. 3)	42,771	—	—	42,771	—
Trust fund - net (sched. 4)	—	3,696		3,696	9,405
Managed fund (sched. 5)	—	—	90,379	90,379	—
	268,130	3,696	90,379	362,205	208,652
Expenses					
Admin. (sched. 6)	104,168	—	—	104,168	90,762
Travel/Mtg. (sched. 7)	11,848	—	—	11,848	8,340
Communication (sched. 8)	33,927	—	—	33,927	32,113
Programs (sched. 9)	81,101	—	—	81,101	91,904
Other expenses (sched. 10)	40,790	—	—	40,790	—
Managed funds	—	—	90,379	90,379	—
	271,834	—	90,379	362,213	223,119
Net income (loss)	(3,704)	3,696	—	(8)	(14,467)
Fund balance, beginning of year	29,539	295,692	—	325,231	339,698
Fund balance, end of year	25,835	299,388	—	325,223	325,231



Muriel Carlson receives the Volunteer of the Year Award from Paul Chytyk.



Keith Barr is presented the Cliff Shaw Memorial Award from President Douglas Schmeiser.