



Wizard Lake Watershed & Lake Stewardship Association

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Message from the Chair

We are looking forward to another productive and rewarding year next year. Success comes only through the continued support from individuals in the Wizard

Lake watershed community, and the continued infusion of new people, ideas and enthusiasm. It is exciting to see what new input and thoughts will be contributed by our new board members and volunteers. Looking ahead, we plan to consolidate and analyse the results from our 2006 water quality sampling and the 2007 spring stream sampling programs. We plan to bring this information back to the community at an open house planned for June—watch for more information. As well, we will continue community building, to foster a larger “Wizard Lake” community, to foster pride in what we have a part of, and to foster the will to work as a community to ensure the healthy future of our lake and watershed.

Laverne Faulkner
Chair, WLWLSA

WLWLSA & Alberta Beef Producers

LeVerne Ellsworth (WLWLSA treasurer) was invited by the Alberta Beef Producers (ABP) to judge ranches across Alberta for the 2008 Environmental Stewardship Award.

LeVerne is also a Board member of the Alberta Stewardship Network and the ABP approached the Network for a participating judge.

LeVerne was a part of a panel of 5 judges who examined the stewardship goals and activities of the nominees including land management, water quality, wildlife, animal welfare and leadership activities in the community related to stewardship.

Alberta beef producers are committed to producing beef in an environmentally sustainable manner. Through the ABP, they support policies, programs and educational efforts that uphold this vision. They also formally recognize beef producers who have incorporated environmental protection into their management strategies. As to why this award is important to ABP: they recognize that stewardship, the

way producers take care of land and water, is very important to the people of Alberta and customers around the world. The Alberta Beef Producers believe that producers are good stewards of the land and water. The Environmental Stewardship Award is an opportunity to celebrate the practices of producers who do extraordinary stewardship work. The winners of the award are great representatives of the beef industry. Farm operations that were judged were in Rycroft, St. Paul, Carstairs, Stavely, and 2 Longview ranches. The 2008 Environmental Stewardship Award was presented to Glen and Kelly Hall, Bar None Ranches, Stavely, Alberta.



June Conrad (ABP) and LeVerne Ellsworth



Winners: Hall family from Bar None Ranches, Stavely



Lords of the Rings



Done!



Ice Pirates



Wiz 'Spiel



Rock Hard Hats



Awesome Austins



The Winning Wallabies!

In the nice, warm sunshine, with the wind in our hair, we set out to have a wonderful day and it was better than we expected! Not to mention that the smokies 'rocked!'

There were ten teams of 'curlers' and lots of prizes for best hats, names, scores, dynamic form, unique style, and the 'mighty fall of the day.' There were no broken bones, only big smiles and happy faces!



Is this *our* 'rock?'

Watch for our next activity on May 9th. We are going bowling! **985-3287** for info.



Skill & Balance required