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Surveyors Are Really Down-to-Earth!



In Spring 1999, our *Scrivener* theme was BC Land Surveyors.

Dick Wright, BCLS—also a BC Notary—and his sailboat *Sea Jazz* graced our cover. And the stories were superb—land surveyors are fun people!



Duncan's Dick Wright, BCLS, NB, aboard *Sea Jazz*: *Scrivener*, Vol. 8, No. 1. March 1999, www.notaries.bc.ca/scrivener

For Winter 2004, we again focus on BC Land Surveyors. When Dave Bazett and I talked about ideas for the Cover shoot, he just happened to mention he has a plane!

Actually, Dave has two planes. The float plane on the cover is his 1957 Piper SuperCub. The Cessna 185 he uses more for work because it's bigger and faster.

My neighbour Mark McGladrey, BCLS, CLS, can also combine work with play. Whenever possible, he takes his buddy Barkley into the field with him to enjoy the outdoor experience. Mark and his wife Diane Gregory, P.Geo., who reminded me about the BC Land Surveyors' upcoming Centennial year and thus inspired our theme.



McGladrey Surveys' Field Assistant

Those who work in an office situation, where the majority of business activity takes place indoors, must schedule time for fresh air, exercise, and a change of venue.

For the land surveyor, those pleasures are built into the job.

But people who work in a controlled environment can curb their exposure to storms, snow, temperature, and—insects!

Chaque à son goût.

Thanks to Chuck Salmon, BCLS—and Secretary, Treasurer, and Registrar of the Corporation of Land Surveyors of the Province of British Columbia—for his fine efforts in sourcing surveyors to write great articles for this issue.

On the following page, Chuck takes a look at the surveying profession going back 100 years. ▲



Dave Bazett and his Cessna 185 in a Waterfall Lake on Princess Royal Island