

A Weekend of Mosses and Mushrooms



Bartramia pomiformis (photo by Moralea Milne)

The Victoria Native Plant Study Group, in conjunction with the Native Plant Society of British Columbia's (NPSBC) Annual General Meeting and the Victoria Natural History Society are jointly hosting a weekend of mosses and mushrooms.

Starting Friday evening, Oct 26, join the entertaining Dr Terry McIntosh in a 2 day workshop devoted to an exploratory journey into the world of mosses and their habitats. Included in this notable collaboration and open to the public, the Native Plant Society of BC will convene their Annual General Meeting on Saturday evening, followed by short presentations by the NPSBC, the Victoria Natural History Society and the Native Plant Study Group. There will be a presentation by author Laurie Ricou on his book *Sala, Listening for the Northwest Understory*. On Sunday there will be a hike into Royal Roads with Dr Terry McIntosh and Dr Richard Winder to search for mosses and mushrooms.

Dr McIntosh's describes himself as a botanist and troublemaker. He taught for many years at Wilfred Laurier University before moving to BC and his main botanical interests are rare habitats and species, bryophytes (mainly mosses), biological lichen and moss crusts of arid ecosystems and moss taxonomy (especially *Schistidium*...prepared the treatment of this for the Flora of North America).

Dr Winder is a researcher at the Pacific Forestry Centre, a director with the Southern Vancouver Island Mycological Society and a gifted speaker.

Laurie Ricou is a Professor of English at the University of British Columbia. He is a former president of the Western Literature Association, and currently edits *Canadian Literature*.

Cost:

The Saturday evening presentations and Sunday morning hike are free to all interested persons.

\$80.00 for the moss workshop.

Due to lab limitations, the moss workshop only will be restricted to 20 participants, the other activities are open to the public.

These workshops fill up quickly, register early!

Wear appropriate outdoor clothing and sturdy footwear for field trips. Bring rain gear and a hand lens.

Contact Angela Deering at 595-5820 or angeladeering@shaw.ca for more information or to register.

MOSS WORKSHOP WITH DR. TERRY MCINTOSH

An Introduction to Mosses and their Habitats

Camosun College, 3100 Foul Bay Road, Victoria

October 26-28, 2007

The Fisher building is the 3rd building on the right hand side heading towards the campus from the parking lot. The bookstore and cafeteria are located in the Fisher building.

REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

e-mail: _____ tel. no.: _____

WORKSHOP COST:

\$80.00 Pre-payment is required

Make cheques payable to: Native Plant Study Group

Send payment and registration form to:

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Schedule

Oct. 26th

6:00 to 9:00pm – Room Fisher 210 Introduction to Mosses by Dr Terry McIntosh

Oct. 27th

9:00 to Noon –Outdoor session on mosses

Lunch (bring your own)

1:00 to 5:00pm – Room Fisher 244 Lab work on mosses

6:30 to 7:15pm NPSBC AGM - Room Fisher 338 Please feel free to attend!

7:30 to 9:30pm

- Short Presentations by VNHS, NPSG, NPSBC
- Refreshment break
- Book Launch by Laurie Ricou, author of *A Natural and Cultural History of Salal*.

Oct. 28th

10 am

Dr Richard Winder and Dr Terry McIntosh will lead a walk combining our twin fall interests of mosses and mushrooms. Meet at the Royal Roads parking lot near the tennis courts and bring your lunch and drinking water. No pets please.