

Delta Marsh History Initiative, Steering Committee Meeting

9:00 am, 15 September 2008

Home of Shirley Christianson, Portage la Prairie

Present: Barry Bills, Shirley Christianson, Gordon Goldsborough (sec), Bob Jones, Cynthia Jordan, Winnie Pauch, Glen Suggett

1. **Minutes** of the last meeting (22 May 2008) were approved by consensus

2. **Business**

- a) *Young update* – Suggett is planning to call later today; he has called several times to arrange a meeting
- b) *Oakland history book* – Goldsborough has tried to call Rice but, so far, no luck
- c) *Naegele lodge* – Suggett reported there are many photographs on its walls, mostly from the 1950s to present; he copied as many as possible in a short visit – he needs to arrange interviews with Don St. Godard and a follow-up interview with Dennis Nodrick
- d) *Green photo* – Suggett now has them and he will scan them
- e) *Suggett update* – He is now roking on Kirchhoffer. Flee Island is done, along with George IV visit, Prince of WSales hunt nearly done, Ed Humiski has a story about a follow-up hunt in the 1930s, James Ford Bell is almost done, Jimmy Robinson is done, Dr. Atkinson is done, Dr. Bigelow is done, Murder Oak is done
- f) *Flamand interview* – Marcel Flamand, a fisher at St. Ambroise, called Christianson about doing an interview and could arrange several relatives to do likewise
- g) *Pauch update* – She has had many interviews since our last meeting, including one on the theme of women and children with Cynthia Jordan, Shirley Christianson and Mae Andrich with lots of good stories arising from it; Evelyn St. Godard (worked 2 or 3 falls at the Hextall Lodge in 1950s) with Shirley Blanchard (worked at Naegele lodge in 50s and one season with Jimmy Robinson lodge in her teens); Mary Lamirande was supposed to attend but dropped out; mother Eva Lavallee in the Douglas Campbell lodge, 90s, very lucid and has photos and worked at lodges; Winnie Duncan (wife of Jack – they owned Delta store and had Macdonald's Sporting Goods, and Delta concession for five years bought from Evelyn Wilkinson, mother of Don) sold hunting licenses; she has already done some writing at the DMFS in Glen's office

3. **Next meeting:** The next meeting will be held at the home of Shirley Christianson (118 Wilkinson Crescent, Portage la Prairie) at **9:00 am on Tuesday, 22 October 2008.**

4. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 AM.