

MacMillan Bloedel
Weyerhaeuser

Retired Salaried Employee sClub

<http://mbwrsec.club/>

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I am writing on behalf of the Directors and members of the MacMillan Bloedel Weyerhaeuser Retired Salaried Employees Club.

This note is to encourage you to consider joining us as a club member. You are likely in a similar position that many of our members are. We spent a good part of our careers with MB but, for one reason or another, we retired from another company – for example, Pope & Talbot, Pacifica/Catalyst, Western Forest Products, etc. Or you may be a recent retiree from Weyerhaeuser and want to stay in touch with people with whom you worked over the years.

Since my retirement, I have enjoyed those times during the year when I have had the opportunity to meet and greet old friends and former workmates. In addition to the fellowship, Club involvement presents valuable options to consider on matters important to our families such as pension, health, and other benefits. It is a key goal of our club to keep members informed of any changes in that regard.

Attached is a copy of a summary paper entitled “SOME FACTS ABOUT MBWRSEC”. Please note the second paragraph in regard to Associate members. Associate members enjoy the same Club benefits as other members, e.g. attending and voting at an AGM, receiving minutes, attending events such as Club golf tournaments, and taking advantage of any other services available to our members.

We currently have 20 Directors, including retirees from Central Vancouver Island, Port Alberni, Powell River and Vancouver and representatives from Weyerhaeuser, MB, Catalyst and Western Forest Products. If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact one of the following and we would be pleased to help you with details about registering in the Club, dates of meetings and other information.

- Myself, President - Richard Ringma at 250-758-8811 or rringma@shaw.ca
- Vice President - Norm Kofler at 250-954-5375 or nkofler@telus.net
- Past President & Director, Charlie Burrell at 250-756-9676 or chasburrell@shaw.ca
- Secretary, Lindy BcQueen at 604-525-6876 or jimlin@shaw.ca
- Lower Mainland Director, Bob McFadden at 604-929-2731 or bobmcfadden11@gmail.com
- Vice-President/Nanaimo Director, Tony Sudar at 250-390-4988 or tgsudar@shaw.ca
- Powell River Director, Bill Cornwall at 604-485-4509 or jigsandreels@telus.net
- Director & Weyerhaeuser retiree, Mike Rushby at 604-312-1491 or mikerush@telus.net

Once again, I invite you to join our Club and look forward to seeing you at one of our meetings or golf games.

Yours truly

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SOME FACTS ABOUT MBWRSEC (Updated February 2020)

We have close to 800 members and associate members, most of whom were employed in the B.C. Coast solid wood, pulp and paper, packaging or administration sectors. The Club was formed 40 years ago to enable MacMillan Bloedel retirees, and those of its successor companies, to come together for fellowship and to be updated on Company, industry and retiree affairs.

Several years ago, we added an Associate member category – any retired person who was previously employed by MB or Weyerhaeuser Company Limited or any of their subsidiary companies as a salaried employee but who left prior to retirement or retired from a successor company such as Catalyst or Western Forest Products. In 2013 the Associate member category was broadened further to include former MB and WY salaried employees who are still actively employed elsewhere but who have pensions or other benefits accruing from their previous employment with MB or WY or their subsidiaries. An Associate member pays the same dues and enjoys the same Club benefits as a member.

To encourage maximum participation, our annual meetings are held in Vancouver, NanOOSE and Powell River. They are usually held in May and include speakers who present industry updates and other matters of interest to retirees. Annual golf tournaments are held in the Lower Mainland and on Vancouver Island in August and September. We maintain an active website at <http://mbwrsec.club/>. Our preferred method of communication is by email but we also prepare printed mail-outs for some events such as our annual meetings.

MBWRSEC – APPLICATION FOR ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

NAME (please print) _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ PROVINCE _____

POSTAL CODE _____ PHONE NUMBER _____ EMAIL _____

DATE OF RETIREMENT _____ FROM DIVISION _____

Please send \$10.00 membership, (\$5.00 out-of-province), cheque or money order, made out to **M.B.W.R.S.E.C.** to:

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