

Rupert's Land Research Centre
The Churchill Colloquium, June 29--July 3, 1988
Program

Field Trip Information: Registrants who have signed up for York Factory will travel there in successive groups of nine, on successive flights, beginning at 8:30 am Thursday June 30, and continuing through July 1 and 2. Those signing up for birding will be in either of two groups: the first for July 1, 8:00 to 12 noon, and the second for July 2, 1:00 to 5:00 pm. You will soon be notified of which field trip group you are in. If there is some session you are particularly keen to go to and your field group conflicts, please let us know or see if you can arrange to trade places with someone in another group.

Archive Tours: From 3:45 to 4:30 this afternoon, following the presentations, several Provincial Archives staff members have generously agreed to meet with small groups (max. 15) of our registrants to introduce them to some of the specialty areas of the Archives; general tours of the PAM (led by the Provincial Archivist) and the HBCA are also scheduled. Please sign up for the tour/workshop of your choice when you pick up this program.

Wednesday, June 29, 1988

1:00 - 2:00 pm. **Registration**, in foyer entrance to Hudson's Bay Company Archives, 2nd floor, Provincial Archives Building, 200 Vaughan Street, Winnipeg.

Pick up registration kits, baggage information for Churchill flight; sign up for your choice of the Archives tours.

Please Note: Baggage instructions are posted at the registration desk, regarding marking and collection of baggage for our evening flight. Wendy, of the Great Canadian Travel Company, is on hand to answer travel queries. Renee Jones, Laurie Bleeks, and Barbara Angel are our Rupert's Land Research Centre assistants for the Colloquium, and Jennifer Brown (general editor, RLRC) is organizer of the paper sessions. Tim Ball, director of the Centre, is coordinating the major field trips.

2:00 pm. HBC Archives Reading Room.
Welcoming remarks by Peter Bower, Provincial Archivist of Manitoba.

2:15 - 3:45 pm. Session I. (Abstracts of all papers are in the conference packet.)
Exploring Archival Resources for Northern History
Chair: Shirlee A. Smith, Keeper, Hudson's Bay Company Archives.

2:15. Judith H. Beattie, HBCA. The Photograph Collection of the Hudson's Bay Company Archives: Its Development and Recent Acquisitions.

2:45. Philip N. Cronenwett, Dartmouth College Library. Manuscript Resources in the Vilhjalmur Stefansson Collection of Dartmouth College.

3:15. Michael G. Moosberger, HBCA. Hudson's Bay Company Post Journals 1715-1940: New Light on their Research Potentials.

3:45 - 4:30 pm.

Tour/Workshop sessions, with Provincial and HBC Archives staff members. Hosts include: Peter Bower for a general tour of the Provincial Archives. HBC Archives staff for a tour of the HBCA. Leslie Castling of the Rare Book Room, Legislative Library, for a viewing of rare Manitoba books and the Red River library collection. Gordon Dodds for an overview of government records and reports. Vera Fast for an introduction to resources on ethnic and women's history and of new acquisitions in those areas. Gilbert Comeault, to discuss the rapidly growing oral-history resources of the Archives.

6:00 - 6:30 pm.

Assemble at Colony Club Restaurant, Portage Ave., next to Relax Plaza. Drinks - on your own.

6:30 - 8 pm. Dinner. Choice of roast beef or chicken.

8:00 - 9 pm. Pick up bags at Conference Room 1, Relax Plaza; label with tags you will receive, colour-coded to your hotel in Churchill (see below); bring baggage to bus depot (direct indoor corridor connection from Relax Inn to bus depot).

Arctic Inn --- Pink
Tundra Hotel --- Blue
Seaport Hotel --- Yellow
Polar Inn --- Green
Churchill Hotel --- White

9 pm. Bus to Winnipeg International Airport.

Approximately 10 pm. Charter flight to Churchill. Further information on field trips, etc., during flight.

Approximately midnight: arrive Churchill. Busses to hotels.

Thursday, June 30, 1988.

8:30 am. First group departs for York Factory.

9:00 - 10:30 am. Session II.

(This and all following sessions will be held in the Town Complex Theatre.)

Fur Trade Communities and Change in Athapaskan Country

Chair: Catharine McClellan, University of Wisconsin, Madison.

9:00 am. Patricia A. McCormack, Provincial Museum of Alberta. Fort Chipewyan 1788-1988: The Bicentennial Exhibit.

9:30 am. Martha McCarthy, Historic Resources, Manitoba Culture, Heritage and Recreation. Magnetism of a Mission: St. Peter's, Reindeer Lake, and the Churchill Chipewyan, 1846-1907.

10:00 am. William A. Sloan, Selkirk College. Eastern Athapaskans and the Union of 1821.

Session III. 10:45 am - 12:30 pm.

New Perspectives on Northern Native Peoples and the Fur Trade

Chair: Trudy Nicks, Royal Ontario Museum.

10:45 am. Lorraine Brandson, Eskimo Museum, Churchill. Researching Matonabbee for the Historic Sites and Monuments Board.

11:00 am. June Helm, University of Iowa. Matonabbee's Map.

11:30 am. I. Irma Eckert, University of Alberta. The Attraction of Churchill: Cree, Chipewyan, Inuit, and European Interaction in the 17th and 18th Centuries.

12 noon. Victor Lytwyn, Ontario Native Affairs Directorate. People of the Muskeg: The Albany River Homeguard during the Fur Trade Period.

Lunch break, on your own.

Session IV. 1:30 - 2:30 pm.

Native History/Women's Perspectives

Chair: Sylvia Van Kirk, University of Toronto.

1:30 pm. Laura Peers, Uxbridge, Ontario. "A Woman's Work is Never Done": Harold Hickerson, Male Bias, and the Writing of Ethnohistory.

2:00 pm. Kay Stone, University of Winnipeg. Native Women's Personal Narratives in Winnipeg.

Session V. 3:00 pm. - 5:00 pm.

Alternative Views of HBC Policies and Economics.

Chair: Wilson B. Brown, University of Winnipeg.

3:00 pm. Hugh Grant, University of Winnipeg. The Revenge of the Paris Hat: The English Hatting Industry and the North American Fur Trade, 1667-1850.

3:30 pm. Harry W. Duckworth, University of Manitoba. Buyers, Brokers, and Price Swings: The London Fur Sales, 1750-1800.

4:00 pm. Ann Harper-Fender, Gettysburg College. Applied Location Theory: The Situation of HBC Posts, 1815-1840.

4:30 pm. William R. Swagerty, University of Idaho. Perceptions of the Hudson's Bay Company by American Fur Company Personnel, 1825-1867.

Session VI. 8:00 pm.

Landscapes of the Fur Trade.

Chair: Rosemary Malaher, Manitoba Historical Society.

8:00 pm. Barbara Belyea, University of Calgary. Captain John Franklin in Search of the Picturesque.

8:30 pm. C. Stuart Houston, Saskatoon. George Back, Premier Artist in the Northwest.

Friday, July 1, 1988. Canada Day.

Our field trip schedule will continue, with trips to York Factory, and the first birding expedition, with Bonnie Chartier, from 8 am to 12 noon.

The town of Churchill will also be celebrating the holiday with various events open to the public. Our paper presentations continue in the evening, as follows.

Session VII. 8:00 pm - 9:30 pm, Friday July 1.

The Fur Trade and After: Ethnic Conflict and Dislocation

Chair: Gerald Friesen, University of Manitoba.

8:00 pm. John S. Long, Cree Mushkegowuk Council. "Attacked by the Natives of this Country": An Incident at Moose Factory.

8:30 pm. Ruth Swan, Universities of Winnipeg/Manitoba. The Native English Elite in Post-Confederation Manitoba Politics.

9:00 pm. David McNab, Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources. The Brunswick House Band and the Fur Trade: Community Dislocation, 1880 to the Present.

Saturday, July 2.

Field trips continue. Banquet in the evening.
Morning papers, as follows.

Session VIII. 9:00-11:00 am.

Reconstructing Resources and Environments of the Fur Trade Past.

Chair: Lee Beaven, University of Saskatchewan.

9:00 am. P.D. Watts, M.W. Mitchell, Institute of Arctic Ecophysiology; Raymond O. Girardin, Churchill. Human Settlement and the Changing Caribou Resource in the Cape Churchill/Cape Tatnam Region.

9:30 am. Tim Ball, University of Winnipeg. Severe Weather Conditions 1810-1820 and their Impact on the Environment and People of the Central Subarctic.

10:00 am. William Barr, University of Saskatchewan. The Hudson's Bay Company's Trade in Muskox Hides, 1822-1916.

10:30 am. Lillian Stewart, Area Superintendent, Manitoba North, Parks Canada, Churchill. Managing History in Isolation: Management Plans at York Factory and Churchill.

Lunch: on your own.

Afternoon: field trips continue. Second birding expedition, 1:00-5:00 pm.

Evening: Rupert's Land Colloquium Banquet.

Our banquet speaker will be Dr. C. Stuart Houston, who will give an illustrated talk on The Ten-year Cycle of the Great Horned Owl, Synchronous with Lynx and Hare.

Sunday, July 3.

Morning field trips.

Session IX. 9:00 - 11:00 am. Current Research.

Chair: Jennifer Brown, University of Winnipeg.

H. Lloyd Keith will discuss his work on Fort George on the Columbia, reassessing the reasons for its failure.

Ann Shirley will describe her studies of Scott's antarctic ship, *The Discovery*, which had a varied later history as an HBC supply boat.

Jennifer Brown will discuss current publications projects and activities of the Centre.

Other contributors who would like to discuss informally their researches on any aspect of the human history of Rupert's Land are invited to participate. Please contact Jennifer Brown before the morning of July 3, if you wish to be on the schedule for this morning.

Specific scheduling for airport busses and the Churchill-Winnipeg flight will be announced. We should arrive back in Winnipeg by mid-afternoon.

Special Notice

Apres—Churchill Open House

Sunday July 3, at 8 PM

At Jennifer and Wilson Brown's house, 336 Kingsway Avenue, Winnipeg. (A big white house on the corner of Kingsway and Rockwood, just east of Cambridge. Approximately two miles from the Relax Plaza.)

Contributions of small edibles and drinkables, or of funds to furnish same, appreciated (any surplus of the latter will go towards the work of the RLRC).

If you need help finding us, tel. number is: 452-3238. We hope to see you!

