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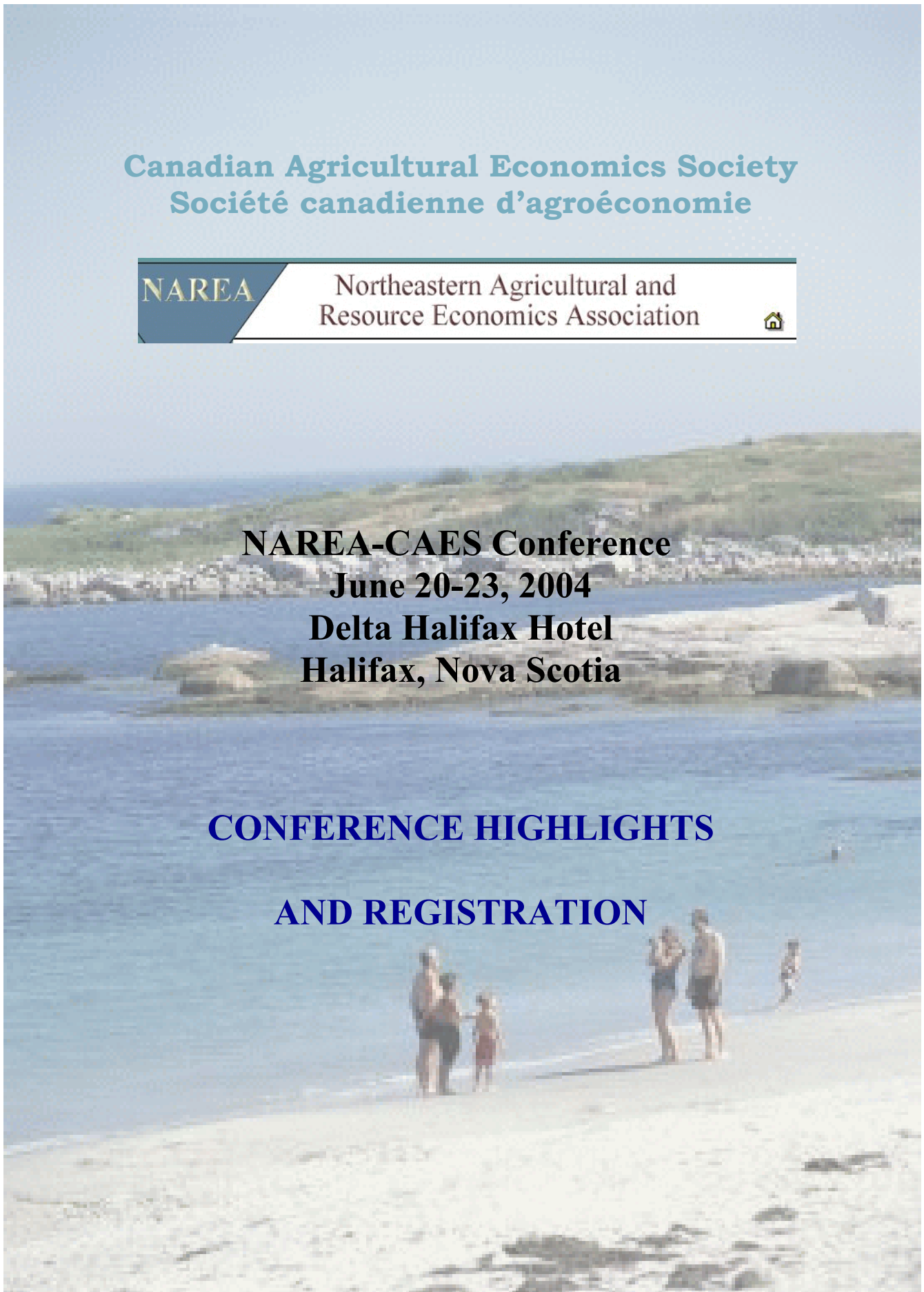
NAREA

Northeastern Agricultural and
Resource Economics Association



**NAREA-CAES Conference
June 20-23, 2004
Delta Halifax Hotel
Halifax, Nova Scotia**

**CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS
AND REGISTRATION**



**2004 Annual Meeting
Halifax, Nova Scotia
June 20-23**

CAES – NAREA Meeting Overview

Sun., June 20	Mon., June 21	Tues., June 22	Wed., June 23
	7:00 – 5:30 Registration	7:00 – 5:30 Registration	7:00 – 9:30 Registration
9:00 – 5:30 Registration	8:30 – 10:00 Breakout Session 1	8:30 – 10:00 Breakout Session 4	7:00-8:15 CAES New Executive Meeting
	10:00 -10:30 Refreshment Break	10:00 -10:30 Refreshment Break	8:30 – 10:00 Breakout Session 8
	10:30 – 12:00 NAREA Invited Session 1 Breakout Session 2	10:30 – 12:00 NAREA Invited Session 2 Breakout Session 5	8:00 – 9:00 Workshop Continental Breakfast
	12:00 – 1:30 NAREA Awards Luncheon	12:00 – 1:30 Lunch Break CAES Research Luncheon (By invitation)	9:00 – 12:00 Workshop
1:00 -4:00 CAES Executive Council Meeting	1:30 – 3:00 CAES Presidential & Fellows Address Breakout Session 3	1:30 – 3:00 Breakout Session 6	10:00 -10:30 Refreshment Break
	3:00 - 3:30 Refreshment Break	3:00 - 3:30 Refreshment Break	10:30 – 12:00 Breakout Session 9
3:00 -5:00 NAREA Executive Board Meeting	3:00 - 5:00 NAREA Business Meeting CAES Annual Business Meeting.	3:30 – 5:00 Breakout Session 7	12:00 – 1:30 Workshop Luncheon (others on own)
5:00 – 7:00 Opening Reception	5:30-10:30 Joint NAREA-CAES Tall Ship Cruise/dinner	6:00-11:00 CAES Awards Banquet	1:30 – 3:30 Workshop
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Accompanying Persons Program Overview

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	1:30 – 4:30 Guided trolley tour of Halifax including the Citadel and Pier 21	2:00 - 4:00 Tour of Alexander Keith's Nova Scotia Brewery	
	5:30-10:30 p.m. Joint NAREA-CAES Tall Ship Cruise/dinner	6:00 -11:00 p.m. CAES Awards banquet	

SPECIAL EVENTS

Opening Reception

A chance to renew old friendships, make new ones and enjoy a few munchies and some local entertainment in the Bluenose Ballroom that provides spectacular views of the city.

Trolley Bus Tour

Join our kilted driver and guide on a San Francisco-style trolley for the most complete tour of Halifax, including stops at the city's most well-known landmarks, the Halifax Citadel and Pier 21 National Historic Sites. During this 3-hour tour you will also visit some of Halifax's historic properties, Province House, the Old Town Clock, the Halifax explosion, City Hall, Dalhousie University and the busy Port.

Tall Ship Cruise and Dinner

Join us for an unforgettable sunset cruise on the spectacular *Silva*, a 130-foot three-masted schooner! Originally built in 1939, the ship has been completely re-furnished and offers an atmosphere of relaxed pleasure. Enjoy the chef's exciting *Marine Marche* cuisine stations during the three hour cruise in Halifax harbor. There will be a cash bar on deck for those who want to whet their whistle.



Alexander Keith's Nova Scotia Brewery

Make plans now to enjoy an entertaining trip back in time during your guided tour of this restored brewery. From the moment the warden greets you, until the Inn Keepers of the Stag's Head tavern says farewell, you'll be entertained and educated by the costumed guides.

MEETING PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

MONDAY JUNE 21

Invited Session 1

Individual Transferable Quotas and Community-Based Management: Is There a Choice?

Dr. Bonnie J. McCay, Board of Governors Distinguished Service Professor and Chair, Department of Human Ecology, Cook College, Rutgers State University.

Dr. McCay will kick off the meetings with a timely and fitting presentation for our venue. Dr. McCay has conducted extensive research on fisheries and marine resources including Nova Scotia. She is currently a member of the Federal Advisory Panel on Marine Protected Areas and the National Research Council Committee on Research Priorities on Environmental Decision-Making.

NAREA Awards Luncheon

Everyone is welcome to attend and discover who will receive this year's awards. Enjoy a buffet lunch and hear Paul Portney's presentation, "*The Obligations of Policy Economists.*"

Paul Portney is President and a Senior Fellow at Resources for the Future (RFF). He has been with RFF since 1972 and directed RFF's Quality of the Environment Division and the Risk, Resource and Environmental Management Division before becoming vice-president in 1989 and president in 1995. From 1979 to 1980, Paul served as the chief economist at the Council on Environmental Quality in the Executive Office of the President. He also chaired the Environmental Economics Advisory Committee of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Science Advisory Board and was a member of its executive committee. In 2001, he was chair of the National Research Council's committee on the future of the Corporate Average Fuel Economy program.

CAES Presidential Address

Pricing-To-Market for Agri-Food Products: Simple Theoretical Insights-Formidable Econometric Challenges.

Bruno Larue, Professor at Université Laval and Canada Research Chair in International Agri-Food Trade at the Centre de Recherche en Économie Agroalimentaire (CREA).

Daryl Kraft Fellows Address

"Atlantic Agriculture After Free Trade"

Garth Coffin, CAES and AIC Fellow and Past President AIC

TUESDAY JUNE 22

Invited Session 2

Experimental Economics: Moving Forward with Applications to Environmental and Resource Issues.

This session highlights the research of two of the Northeast's young faculty, Jim Murphy and Chris Anderson. Their research is designed to extend experimental economics to address important issues in the environmental and natural resource areas. The session will begin with a brief overview of experimental economics. Jim and Chris will then provide two examples to illustrate application to environmental and resource issues.

Hypothetical Bias and Contingent Valuation: What's Going on Here? Dr. James Murphy,
Department of Resource Economics, University of Massachusetts.

The presence of hypothetical bias in contingent valuation is well documented, and some calibration techniques have been successful at reducing or removing this bias. However, the underlying causes of hypothetical bias are not well understood. Recent efforts to use laboratory experiments to test hypotheses about potential sources of this bias will be presented. (with co-authors Tom Stevens and Michael Ash).

Effort Consolidation under Tradable Fishing Allowance Programs. Dr. Chris Anderson,
Department of Environmental and Resource Economics, University of Rhode Island.

With the recent expiration of a federal moratorium, many U.S. fisheries are now considering management programs that allow trading of fishing allowances. One frequent concern among stakeholders is that allowance markets lead to industry consolidation, and the loss of small family fishing operations. This paper will discuss results from a controlled laboratory experiment that assesses determinants of effort allocation and consolidation under a tradable trap certificate program in the Rhode Island lobster fishery.

CAES Awards Banquet

Our Master of Ceremonies Jill Hobbs promises lots of time to visit and enjoy the atmosphere and meal. NAREA members are very welcome to attend and visit with CAES compatriots.

WEDNESDAY JUNE 23

NAREA/CAES Workshop on International Trade and the Environment

The goal of this workshop is to stimulate research and discussion to improve our understanding of the complex interrelationships between international trade, natural resource use, and the environment. The workshop includes ten contributed papers in areas of agricultural trade and the environment, international trade and invasive species, international trade and pollution, the pollution haven hypothesis, and international trade and natural resource use. The workshop also includes two invited speakers, Brian Copeland of the University of British Columbia and David Brooks from the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative. Lunch and a continental breakfast are included with the registration.

SELECTED PAPERS

There will be over 150 papers presented in eight different NAREA/CAES breakout sessions. Paper titles will be in the full program and on the CAES website at <http://www.caes-scae.org/conf-e1.htm>. There will also be links to the program from the NAREA website. Joint paper sessions are planned on Consumer Economics, Marketing, Environment, Rural Development, Resources, Trade, Production, Demand and Agribusiness.

CAES PRINCIPAL PAPERS

(Scheduling in the breakout sessions will be in the meeting program)

BIO-ENERGY IN NORTH AMERICA: PROBLEMS, POLICIES, AND POTENTIAL

Session organizer: Kurt Klein, University of Lethbridge

Economic incentives and constraints are key issues for Canada and the US. This session is intended to encourage debate on the problems and policies related to the development of bio-based energy in Canada and the US, and to improve understanding of the potential role of bio-fuels in boosting energy supplies and alleviating greenhouse gas production.

THE ECONOMICS OF BIOSPHERE GREENHOUSE GAS MANAGEMENT

Session Organizers: Paul J. Thomassin and Paul Atkinson, McGill University

Recent clarifications of the Kyoto Protocol at the Conference of the Parties (COP 7) recognized that agricultural soils can be included as a carbon sink along with afforestation and reforestation. As a result, the biosphere can potentially play an important role in satisfying our GHG commitment. A major funding initiative was put forward by BIOCAP and SSHRC to investigate the potential for management of the biosphere for GHG. This principal paper session will report initial research results of the six nodes in the Network.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE CO-OPERATIVE SECTOR?

Session Organizer: Ellen Goddard, University of Alberta

Despite significant structural change over the past twenty years the co-operative sector remains a significant component of the North American economy. However, agri-business sectors that were previously dominated by co-operatives are seeing the co-operative market share change significantly. The Canadian dairy processing and grain handling sectors are prime examples of this. On the other hand, apply co-operatives seem to be growing and in most cases, prospering. The papers in this session relate to various aspects of co-operatives in North America, from management issues to historical overviews of what has actually happened to specific co-operatives.

THE ECONOMICS OF THE CANADIAN AGRICULTURAL INCOME SUPPORT PROGRAM

Session Organizer: Al Mussell, George Morris Centre

There are material differences between the new CAIS program and its predecessors. Little is known about the incentives, effectiveness, or effects of CAIS. The purpose of this session is to present economic analyses and to stimulate discussion on the impact of the CAIS program. The presentations will provide applied analyses related to the effectiveness of CAIS in stabilizing farm incomes, the implications of CAIS on crop insurance enrolment, and the optimal deposits under CAIS.

WHAT'S GOING ON IN CONSUMER BEHAVIOUR?

Session Organizer: Ellen Goddard, University of Alberta

Consumer behaviour remains an evolving and fascinating area of research. In this session the papers presented cover some of the many methods being investigated to improve the quality of consumer analysis. Government attempts to deal with the social costs of poor nutrition and to deal with consumer understanding of new technologies can be enhanced through enriched understanding of what triggers consumer response. Areas in which both the policy process and the economic theory can be improved will be highlighted.