

**Freshwater Bay Alexander Bay
Ecosystem Association**

Directors Meeting #1

DATE: October 9, 1996

TIME: 7:00 PM

PLACE: R. E. Stroud Building

Present were:

Derek Stewart - Recreational Fishery Development Officer
Phil Riggs Dr. Melvin Parsons
Fred Holloway Roger Brooking
Gordon Stewart

Chairman, Fred Holloway welcomed members and left the Agenda open for guest, Derek Stewart.

Derek focused the meeting on conservation issues.

- (1) Terra Nova River potential 27,000 salmon, present 2500, 1000 angled. Options for increasing stock:
 - (a) Enhancement - presently in place
 - (b) Set River quota; close after quota reached
 - (c) Delay opening until a portion of fish have moved up River beyond Grant Falls
 - (d) Establish Catch & Release zones in certain areas.
 - (e) Disallow Catch & Release in pools below heavy water obstructions
 - (f) Disallow Catch & Release on the Rattle.

- (11) Rodney Pond, 1st & 2nd Burnt Pond - Trout stocks low
Butt's Pond - Char stocks in danger. Options for improving:
 - (a) Close the ponds for 5 years and let the stocks rebuild
 - (b) Implement fly fishing barbless hooks only angling with no retention for five year period.

- (111) Smelt management
- provide a thorough overview of the issues and options regarding the Gambo Smelt stocks.

MOTION: 96-10-09-01

M. Parsons \ P. Riggs

That we approve a letter inviting DFO scientists and management staff to convene public meetings to offer recommendations and seek support for conservation issues. **CARRIED.**

Meeting ended approximately 9:00 PM