



## **“Science Outreach – Athabasca presents... “Dragonflies: The Jewels of the Boreal forest”**

**Speaker:** Doug Macaulay,  
Biologist, Agroforestry and  
Woodlot Extension Society

**Date:** Thursday, May 26, 2010

**Place:** Athabasca University  
Governing Council Chambers

**Time:** 7 PM to 8:30 PM



Come learn about the amazing world of dragonflies: Their history, life cycles, habitats and the local species. Also learn about some of the challenges they are facing here in Alberta.

Dragonflies are amazing creatures with nearly 70 species living in Alberta! They are one of the oldest insects with fossils that take them back to the time of dinosaurs. They are considered one of the fastest, and most agile of insects. They are major predators in both water and the sky. And they are a group of insects that exist in great diversity throughout the boreal forest region.

Doug is a native of Barrhead who grew up on a tree farm west of town beside a fabulous wetland that was full of dragonflies. He has a degree in Biological Sciences from U of A and is a professional Biologist. Doug is co-author of “Garden Bugs of Alberta” and has written several reports for the Government of Alberta on Odonata over the last decade for some of our most unique provincial protected areas. Most recently he has begun conducting dragonfly surveys for the province of Newfoundland for their “Insects of Newfoundland” project.

Refreshments. Draws for prizes. Admission is free.

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