

BC Nature (Federation of British Columbia Naturalists)
Awards Record
1977 through to Present

The Elton Anderson Award was established to recognize the service of a member of the Federation (BC Nature) who has emulated, to a profound degree, the dedication, devotion and energy exhibited by former President, Elton Anderson, to further the Federation (BC Nature) across the province.

1977

Elton Anderson Violet Gibbard, *South Okanagan*

1978

Elton Anderson Phyllis Capes, *Comox-Strachcona*

In 1978 new annual awards established: Club Service for outstanding service to a club at the local level. Recognition (special service or outstanding contribution) awarded for contributions to understanding and appreciation of natural history in BC and usually awarded to a non-member.

1979

Elton Anderson Madelon Schouten, *White Rock and Surrey*
Recognition (Special Service) C.P. (Ches) Lyons, *author Trees, Shrubs & Flowers*
Club Service Peter Van Kerkoele, *Nanaimo*
Slim Kemp, *Kamloops*
Kay Smith, *Vancouver*

1980

Elton Anderson Bill Merilees, *Nanaimo*

1981

Elton Anderson Jean & Steve Cannings, *South Okanagan*
Club Service Hazel & Jim Street, *West Kootenay*
Betty McKinnon, *Cowichan*
Howard Ede, *Central Okanagan*

New award, the Barbara Chapman Award, established 1982 in memory of a member of Victoria Natural History Society who was killed by a bear while working in Glacier National Park, to be awarded to a young naturalist under the age of 18 who has shown interest in and has made a contribution to the appreciation and understanding of the natural environment .

1982

Elton Anderson Jim Grant, *North Okanagan*
Recognition (Special Service) Barry Leach, *wetlands, Lower Fraser and Boundary Bay waterfowl*
George Whitehead, *West Kootenay*
Club Service Ruth Barnett, *Mitlenatch*
Special Thanks Natalie Minunzie, *Langley*
Barbara Chapman Mark Daly, *Victoria*

In 1983 the Elton Anderson trophy introduced, a carved wolverine by Arnold Mikelson of White Rock.

1983

Elton Anderson Norman (Norm) Pursell, *Vancouver*
Recognition (Special Service) Tony Eberts, *Outdoor Editor Vancouver Sun*

1984

Elton Anderson
Recognition (Special Service)

Nancy Anderson, *West Kootenay*
Ken Farquharson, *Skagit conservation*
Tom Perry, *Skagit conservation*
Iva Mann, *park establishment at University Endowment Lands*
May Brown, *park establishment at University Endowment Lands*

Club Service

Margaret Barwis, *West Kootenay Naturalists*
Peggy & Vic Goodwill, *Victoria*
Fred McMechan, *Williams Lake*

Barbara Chapman

Janice Tomlinson, *Victoria*

Special Thanks Award established for those persons, whether members or outside the Federation (BC Nature), whose outstanding contribution, though not made through a Club or Region, is, nevertheless, of great value to the Federation (BC Nature).

1985

Elton Anderson
Recognition (Special Service)
Club Service

Dr. Vernon C. (Bert) Brink, *Vancouver*
Bill Munro, *Ministry of Environment Wildlife Branch*
Dave & June McFarland, *South Okanagan*
Bill Huxley, *Kamloops*
David Aldcroft, *Vancouver*

Special Thanks
Barbara Chapman

Marjory Smith, *FBCN Recording Secretary*
Karl Perrin, *Agassiz*

1986

Elton Anderson
Recognition (Special Service)

Dr. Katherine (Kay) Beamish, *Vancouver*
Rod Silver, *Habitat Conservation Trust Fund*
Dr. J. Bristol Foster, *Ecological Reserves*
Jack Gregson, *Kamloops*
Frances Vyse, *Williams Lake (and now Kamloops)*
Nell Whellams, *Comox-Strathcona*
Wilma Robinson, *Alouette*
Julian Sturhahn, *Cowichan Valley*

Club Service

Barbara Chapman

1987

Elton Anderson
Recognition (Special Service)
Club Service

Dr. Richard (Dick) Stace-Smith, *Vancouver*
Dr. Bert Hoffmeister, *The Nature Trust*
Edna Slater, *Cowichan Valley*
Joan and Jim Burbidge, *Central Okanagan*
Howard Telosky, *Mitlenatch*
Bill and Dorothy Van Dieren, *Nanaimo*
Charlie Trotter, *Victoria*
Harold Pollock, *Victoria*
Stephen Joly, *100 Mile House*

Barbara Chapman

1988

Elton Anderson
Recognition (Special Service)
Club Service

Peter Legg, *North Okanagan*
Robin Campbell, *North Island Wildlife Recovery Association*
Joan E. Heriot, *North Okanagan*
Malcolm Martin, *North Okanagan*
Dr. Ken Langelier, *Nanaimo*
Richard Wakelam, *Vancouver*

Barbara Chapman

1989

Elton Anderson
Recognition (Special Service)
Club Service

Jude Grass, *Burke Mountain*
Roger Hunter
Kay Bartholomew, *North Okanagan*
McLaren Family- Karen, Art and Muriel, *Kamloops*
Martha Harding, *White Rock and Surrey*
Fred McMechan, *Williams Lake*
Anna Roberts, *Williams Lake*
Tessa Campbell, *Victoria*

Barbara Chapman

Knowing Nature Award established 1989 for an individual or club that has carried out a project or projects that has added to the knowledge of the natural history of the province (later becomes Nature Education).

1990

Elton Anderson
Recognition (Special Service)
Club Service

Dr. Jim Lunam, *Comox-Strathcona*
Paul Smith, *The Nature Trust & B.C. Conservation Foundation*
Pauline Tranfield, *Arrowsmith*
Ron Walker, *Boundary Grand Forks*
Brian Self, *Vancouver*
Birch Van Horne, *Chilliwack*
Jolie Fitzgerald, *Black Creek*
Shuswap Naturalists Club
Adeline Nicol, *Langley, FBCN staff*

Barbara Chapman
Knowing Nature
Special Thanks

1991

Elton Anderson
Recognition (Special Service)

Club Service

Joe Lotzkar, *Vancouver*
Dr. David Suzuki, *communicating science & conservation*
R. Wayne Campbell, *BC Nest Records & Birds of British Columbia*
Mary Pastrick, *Langley*
Madelon Schouten, *White Rock & Surrey (now Vermilion Forks)*
Daphne Smith, *White Rock and Surrey*
Christine Hanrahan, *Burke Mountain*

1992

Elton Anderson
Recognition (Special Service)

Club Service

Frank Paul, *North Okanagan*
Dr. Barry Leach, *Lower Fraser wetlands and waterfowl*
Twenty-one students & three teachers - David Thompson High School in Invermere for interactive video "*Infinite Field Trip*", produced over four years showing SE BC natural history
Frances McPherson, *Mitlenatch Field Naturalists*
Valerie May Whetter, *Chilliwack*
Frances and Allan Guinet, *Chilliwack*
John Toochn, *Vancouver*
Beryl Cunningham, *Alouette*
Anne Murray, *Delta*
Tom Bates, *White Rock & Surrey*

1993

Recognition (Special Service)
Club Service

Neil Dawe, *CWS and spearheading Brant festival*
Fiona Flook, *Saltspring (now Central Okanagan)*
Ros Eldridge, *Kamloops*
Betty Lunam, *Comox-Strathcona (now Victoria)*
Elaine Golds, *Burke Mountain*
Mary Louise Macdonald, *White Rock & Surrey*
Jack Williams, *White Rock & Surrey*
Comox-Strathcona Naturalists ?

Knowing Nature

1994

Elton Anderson
Recognition (Special Service)
Club Service

Duanne Vandenberg, *Alouette*
Stephen Owen, *chair of CORE process*
Sandrina Rathbone, *North Shuswap*
Vera Gotlieb, *North Shuswap*
April Mol, *Burke Mountain*
Gladys Brown, *Chilliwack*
Deanne and Kathleen Munro, *Shuswap*
Linda Van Damme, *Nelson*
Kathy Reimer, *Saltspring*
Chris Sandham, *Vancouver*
Rolf Harrison, *Pender Harbour*
Ryan Austman, *Burke Mountain*
Christopher Charlesworth, *Central Okanagan*
Terri Martin & members of Arrowsmith Naturalists

Barbara Chapman

Knowing Nature

1995

Club Service

Frank and Doris Kime, *Shuswap - Salmon Arm*
Karen Willies, *Kamloops*
Syd Watts, *Cowichan Valley*
Ruth Keogh, *White Rock & Surrey*
Mildred White, *Rocky Mountain*
Sylvia Pincott, *Central Valley- Abbotsford (now Pender Is)*
Len Goldsmith, *Squamish*
Rolf and Heather Kellerhals, *Mitlenatch*
Jamie Fenneman, *Comox-Strathcona*
Williams Lake Field Naturalists – Scout Island Nature Centre

Barbara Chapman
Knowing Nature

1996

Elton Anderson
Recognition

Frances Vyse, *Kamloops*
Myrtle Hogan, *Abbotsford, donation of woodland for nature park*
Mladen Komnenic, *Vancouver, for computer skills*
Jake Kimberley, *Mayor Penticton, waterfront project*
Tim Wood, *Administrator Penticton, waterfront project*
Don and Norma Gillespie, *Burke Mountain*
Ellen Schoen, *Timberline - Dawson Creek*
Glenn Ryder, *Central Valley - Abbotsford*
Dennis Knopp and Lee Larkin, *Chilliwack*
Tom Dickinson, *Kamloops*
Mary Lou Tapson-Jones, *Shuswap, botanist*

Club Service

Knowing Nature

1997

Recognition	Walter Volovsek, <i>West Kootenay</i>
Club Service	South Okanagan Rehabilitation Centre for Owls, <i>Oliver</i> Madelon Schouten, <i>Vermilion Forks- Princeton</i> Tom Gillespie, <i>Victoria</i> Glenda Ross, <i>South Okanagan</i>
Barbara Chapman	Johanna Saaltink, <i>Central Valley - Abbotsford</i> Gordon Gadsen, <i>Chilliwack</i> Kyle Elliott, <i>Vancouver</i>
Knowing Nature	Sherri Klein, <i>South Okanagan school group education</i>

1998

Elton Anderson	Audrey Hoeg, <i>Cowichan (now 108 Mile House)</i>
Recognition	Municipality of Saanich, <i>re appointing Environmental Planner</i>
Club Service	Betty Barnes, <i>Arrowsmith</i> Jack Robinson, <i>Kamloops</i> Meredith Thornton, <i>Timberline - Dawson Creek</i> Art Gruenig, <i>Rocky Mountain</i>
Knowing Nature	Lynn Vardeman, <i>establishing Stanley Park Nature House</i>
Outstanding Service	Jude Grass, <i>20+ years editing BC Naturalist, two terms president</i>

1999

Elton Anderson	Ted Stubbs, <i>Vancouver re exploratory camps</i>
Recognition	Rhonda Millikin, <i>CWS – Migration Monitoring, Partners in Flight</i>
Club Service	Marie Pearson, <i>Prince George</i> Sandra Gray, <i>Arrowsmith</i>
Knowing Nature	Dr. E. Chris Pielou, <i>Comox – author science/natural history books</i>

2000

Elton Anderson	Allan Brooks, <i>Pender Island, Comox, Mitlenatch (posthumous)</i>
Recognition	Judie Steeves, <i>Kelowna Capital News reporter</i> Dr. Neil MacRae, <i>Kamloops & Wildlife Park (posthumous)</i>
Club Service	Annabelle Rempel, <i>Chilliwack</i> Harold King, <i>Oliver-Osoyoos</i> Karen McLaren, <i>Kamloops</i> John Harris, <i>White Rock and Surrey</i>
Barbara Chapman	Emily Ferguson, <i>Kamloops</i>

New Regional Award introduced to a member who has served with dedication, devotion and energy to further the Federation (BC Nature) across his or her Region.

2001

Elton Anderson	Daphne Solecki, <i>Vancouver</i>
Recognition	Stewart Clow, <i>West Kootenay</i>
Regional	Brenda Balaam, <i>West Kootenay</i> Bircham (Birch) and Mary Van Horne, <i>Chilliwack</i> Betty Lunam, <i>Comox Valley</i>
Club Service	Stan and Lyn Paterson, <i>Mitlenatch</i> Greg Ross, <i>Rocky Mountain</i> Diane Lepawsky, <i>Vancouver</i> Lambie Family (Vi, John & David), <i>Mackenzie</i> Lesley Keith, <i>Squamish</i>
Knowing Nature	The Osprey Survey Team, <i>Nelson Naturalists</i>

2002

Elton Anderson
Regional
Recognition
Club Service

Anne Murray, *Delta*
Henk & Johanna Saaltink, *Central Valley- Abbotsford*
Scott Alexander, *Kelowna, Park Naturalist*
Vi Wilcox, *West Kootenay*
Don Burbidge, *Vermilion Forks*
Rene Saveneye, *White Rock & Surrey (Posthumous)*
Central Okanagan Naturalist Club, *Kelowna*

Knowing Nature

2003

Elton Anderson
Regional

Bev Ramey, *Vancouver*
Gary Davidson, *Arrow Lakes, secondary school teacher, Nakusp*
Margaret Barwis, *West Kootenay*
Joan Best, *Kamloops*
Ross McCutcheon, *Vancouver, lawyer advising FBCN*
Robert Koopmans, *Kamloops – nature/outdoor column*
Marie Madsen, *Mitlenatch*
Ralph Ritcey, *Kamloops*
Michael Vaninsberghe, *Victoria*

Recognition

Club Service

Barbara Chapman

Outstanding Naturalist Award established for contribution to the knowledge, understanding and appreciation of the natural history of British Columbia.

Name change: Knowing Nature becomes Nature Education

2004

Outstanding Naturalist
Regional

Malcolm Martin, *Vernon*
Ron Speller, *Vancouver Island*
Eva Durance, *Penticton, Parks & Protected Areas*
Stephen Hume, *journalist*
Blair Acton, *Squilax bats public education*
Rick Howie, *Kamloops*
Barbara Sedgwick, *Comox Valley*
Anne Redfearn, *Rocky Mountain*
Dorothy Beetstra, *West Kootenay*
Rhys and Annabel Griffiths, *Langley*
Osoyoos Desert Society

Recognition

Club Service

Nature Education

Daphne Solecki Award introduced for persons who have contributed to nature education for children in BC.

New Volunteer Appreciation Award for volunteers serving FBCN in areas other than through their Club or Region. Replaces Special Thanks Award.

2005

Elton Anderson
Outstanding Naturalist
Regional
Recognition
Club Service

Jeremy McCall, *Vancouver*
Dick & Syd Cannings, *South Okanagan*
Heather & John Neville, *Kootenays, now Saltspring*
Rod Silver, *HCTF and Conservation, Naturescape, ProjectWild*
Anthea Farr, *Langley*
Norma Morton, *Comox Valley*
Dulcie Hamilton, *Comox Valley*
Judy Wickland, *Chilliwack*
Don McLellan, *Vancouver, FBCN treasurer*
David Lassmann, *Squamish, FBCN webmaster*
Linda Halls, *Vancouver, FBCN membership and magazine ads*

Daphne Solecki

Volunteer Appreciation

New Operating Name adopted of BC Nature, but legal name remains Federation of British Columbia Naturalists.

2006

Elton Anderson
Regional
Club Service

Joan Best, *Kamloops*
G. Allen Poynter, *Victoria, Delta, then Arrowsmith*
John MacKenzie, *Arrowsmith*
Nancy Braithwaite, *Saltspring*
Frank Hovenden, *Comox Valley*

Daphne Solecki
Nature Education

Victoria Otton, *Burke Mountain*
James Shaver, *South Okanagan*
Jack Hammonds, *Arrowsmith*

Volunteer Appreciation

Betty Brooks, *Comox Valley*
Pamela Zevit, *Burke Mountain, Comox Lake Watershed Group*

2007

Recognition

Harold Baumbrough, *monitoring after Okanagan Mtn fire*
Sherri Klein, *South Okanagan Rehabilitation Centre for Owls*

Club Service

Margaret Graham, *Kamloops*
Val Tinney, *Arrowsmith Naturalists*
Helen Turner, *Chilliwack*

Barbara Chapman
Daphne Solecki
Nature Education

Rhys Krannitz, *Langley*
Anthea Farr, *Langley*
Will Lemmon, *Arrowsmith Naturalists*

Volunteer Appreciation

Paul Watts, *North Shuswap, combating pollution*

2008

Elton Anderson

Fred McMechan, *Williams Lake*

McTaggart-Cowan Outstanding Naturalist

Rick Howie, *Kamloops*

Regional

Ralph Ritcey, *Kamloops*

Recognition

Richard Armstrong, *traditional ecological knowledge, teacher*

Club Service

Kim North, *Lillooet*

Daphne Solecki

Hans Laue, *Nanoose*

Nature Education

Kerrie Mortin, *Victoria*

Joan Kelly, *Princeton*

2009

Elton Anderson

Eva Durance, *SONC (Penticton)*

Regional

Ed McDonald, *Shuswap Nats. (Salmon Arm)*

Recognition

Ron Walker, *Grand Forks*

Club Service

Gail Ross, *BC Parks*

Daphne Solecki

Don Guild, *Kamloops Nats.*

Nature Education

Jennifer French, *CONC*

Margaret Cuthbert, *White Rock*

Outstanding Naturalist Award renamed McTaggart-Cowan Outstanding Naturalist Award.

2010

Elton Anderson

Harold King, *Oliver Osoyoos*

McTaggart-Cowan Outstanding Naturalist

Al Grass, *Langley*

Regional

Kiyoshi Takahashi, *Burke Mtn*

Ann Nightingale, *Victoria*

Recognition

Robert (Bob) Handfield, *Penticton*

Mike Roberts, *Okanagan TV media*

Club Service

Susan Weilandt, *Kamloops*

Judy Kilcup, *Delta*

Mike Griffin, *Burke Mtn*

Dave Williams, *Kamloops*

Nature Education

2011

McTaggart-Cowan Outstanding Naturalist
Club Service

Anna Roberts – *Williams Lake*

Mary Ronback – *Delta Naturalists*

Krista Kaptein – *Comox Valley Naturalists*

Karen Needham – *Vancouver Natural History*

Daphne Solecki

2012

Elton Anderson Award

Pat Westheuser – *CONC* – Kelowna

BC Nature Club Service Award

Marlene & Mitsuru Hikichi – *SONC* – Summerland

Maggie Little – *Arrowsmith* - Parksville

BC Nature Recognition Award

Michelle Hamilton – *CONC* - KLO and ECO Club

Daphne Solecki Award

Alison Bakker – *YNC* – Parksville/Qualicum

BC Nature Regional Award

June Wood – *Nechako Sturgeon*

2013

Elton Anderson Award

Rosemary Fox – *Bulkley Valley*

BC Nature Recognition Award

Peachland Chamber of Commerce

BC Nature Regional Award

Vivian Birch-Jones – *Lillooet Naturalists*

2014

BC Nature Club Service Award

Rick Gee – *CONC*

Tom Bearss – *Delta Naturalists*

Daphne Solecki Award

Dr. Enid Elliot – *Camosun College*

Elton Anderson Award

John Neville – *Salt Spring Trail & Nature Club*

BC Nature Regional Award

Janne Perrin – *Chilliwack Field Naturalists*

Ian McTaggart-Cowan Outstanding Nat.

Joy & Cam Finlay – *Victoria Natural History Society*

BC Nature Recognition Award

Eliza Olson – *Burns Bog*

Jim & Midge Wyse – *Burrowing Owl*

2015

McTaggart-Cowan Outstanding Naturalist

Bill Merilees – *Victoria Natural History Society*

BC Nature Regional Award

Anthea Farr – *White Rock Surrey Naturalists*

Genevieve Singleton – *Cowichan Valley Nats.*

Daphne Solecki Award

Al Grass – *Langley Field Naturalists*

Volunteer Appreciation

Elisa Kreller – *BC Naturalists Foundation*

Krista Englund – *Burke Mtn. Nats.*

Club Service Award

Terry Carr – *Delta Naturalists*

Paul Lèvesque – *WildResearch*

Eric Marshall – *Cowichan Valley Nats.*

Jean Gelwicks – *Partners creating Pathways*

2016

Daphne Solecki Award

Jannis Delisle – North Shuswap School – *Naturekids*

BC Nature Club Service Award

Geof and Jean Hacker – *Delta Naturalists*

BC Nature Education Award

Frank Ritcey – *Kamloops Naturalists*

BC Nature Club Service Award

John Smith – *Cowichan Valley Naturalists*

BC Nature Recognition Award

Vera Vukelich – *Bev Ramey, BCN Executive*

Barbara Chapman Award

Jordyn Emshay – *SONC*

2017

BC Nature Club Service Award
BC Nature Club Service Award
Daphne Solecki Award
BC Nature Club Service Award
BC Nature Volunteer Appreciation Award
BC Nature Recognition Award

Christine Rock – *WildResearch*
Jean Crowe – *Kamloops*
Cynthia Berg – *Chilliwack Naturalists*
Helen Robinson – *Comox Valley Naturalists Society*
Christine Galliazzo – *Lillooet Naturalists Society*
Orville Dyer – *South Okanagan Naturalists*