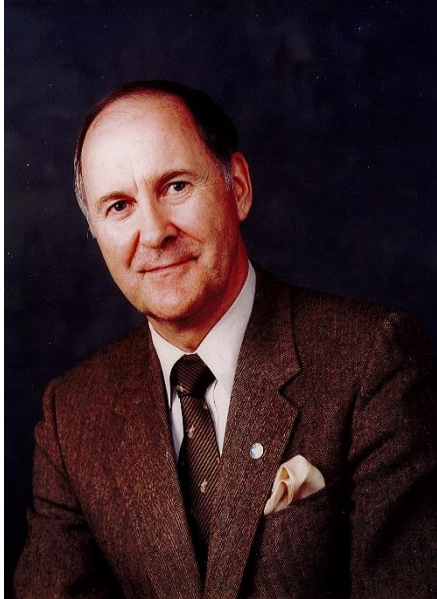




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## In Memoriam of Don Hayden

The Alberta Fish and Game association (AFGA) is saddened to share news of the loss of Don Hayden one of our volunteers, past president and life member. Below we celebrate his life and some of the contributions he made to wildlife conservation in both Alberta and Canada. He will be greatly missed.



Don became a member of The Alberta Fish and Game Association in the early 1960's and attended his first conference during that time; in 1967, he helped for the St. Albert and District Fish and Game Association, of which he was its second President.

Throughout his time with the AFGA he held the following positions:

- 1969 – 1970 *Game Bird Committee*
- 1970's *Parliamentarian at the AFGA Conference twice*
- 1973 – 1974 *Vice Chair*
- 1975 *Zone 4 Chair*
- 1977 – 1979 *Vice President at Large*
- 1978 – 1981 *Game Advisory Committee*
- 1979 – 1981 *AFGA President*
- 1979 – 1983 *Board member of the Canadian Wildlife Federation (CWF)*
- 1982 *Immediate Past President*
- 1983 *Elected to the CWF Executive*
- 1985 – 1987 *CWF President*
- 1990's *Parliamentarian at the AFGA Conference five times*
- 1991 *Became a Life Member and was the Life Member Chair*
- 1999 – 2000 *Represented the AFGA on the Alberta Conservation Association Board*
- 2000 *Elected Chairman of the ACA Board of Directors*

Don was elected President of the AFGA at the 50<sup>th</sup> annual Conference held in Edmonton, and at that time there were 24,000 active Members.

As President, Don was an astute manager who understood the dynamics of an organization and knew how to get the best out of its members. Teamwork, accountability, and co-operation were the hallmarks of his term of office; he insisted on running business like conferences with the Executives at the head of the table with visible leadership.

He was instrumental in preparing the new Fish and Wildlife policy on behalf of the AFGA which was approved by the Government of Alberta on October 14, 1982.

In 2003, he was appointed as Chairman of the Heritage 100 Committee which actively began to collect historical documents about the AFGA; many of which were used in the making of the book *Conservation Pride and Passion AFGA 1908 – 2008*.

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