



**John Streicker
Backgrounder**



The federal Green Party candidate for the Yukon, John Streicker is bright, motivated and sincere. He approaches politics in a positive and imaginative way - looking to find solutions out of entrenched (and tired) thinking.

**Education/
Academics**

John was the valedictorian at his high school and for his undergraduate (Bachelor of Science University of Saskatchewan). After completing his Masters degree in Engineering (University of New Brunswick), John went on to become a Professor at the University of the West Indies. He worked for many years in the private sector, and in 2004 returned to academics heading up the Northern Climate ExChange at Yukon College. He also managed a series of research offices on climate change impacts and adaptation in the three northern territories. He worked with a circum-polar team to develop a Degree in Climate Change for the University of the Arctic. Currently John is an instructor at Yukon College on climate change.

Profession

John is a Professional Engineer. He has worked on geophysics, surveying and exploration. His work has taken him all over the world. In recent years, his consulting work has focused on the Yukon and the North. He has worked with the territorial government to develop their Climate Change Action Plan and the Yukon Energy Strategy. He has made presentations to the House of Parliament Standing Committee on Environment and Sustainable Development and to the United Nations Environmental Program in Norway. John writes for *Encyclopedia Britannica* on the Arctic and on climate change. He was the recent Keynote Speaker at the Oil & Gas Best Practices Symposium in Inuvik. In 2007 John was a partial recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize, having contributed to the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change publication.

Community

John is a longstanding volunteer, helping out with youth, sports, local politics and flood relief. He is a co-editor of the Marsh Lake newsletter. For the past two years he managed the community centre at Judas Creek. He helps to make the community vibrant and he was recently recognized with a Yukon Community Recreation Leadership Award.

Arts

John has a book of his quilting work published. He is a graphic artist, designer and musician. He is an active supporter of the arts and has volunteered for the Frostbite Music Society Board.

Home

In the summer of 1994, John worked North of 60° and he fell in love with the Yukon. In the winter of 1998, John traveled North of 60° and he fell in love with his future wife Susan. They have made their home together on Marsh Lake.