



In recognition of the efforts by former UNB President Dr. William Brydone Jack to improve the quality of surveying in New Brunswick, the following note has been placed as a plaque near the meridian pillar.

**“IN 1874, THIS STONE PILLAR WAS PLACED BY
PROF. WILLIAM BRYDONE JACK
ON THE MERIDIAN THROUGH THE OBSERVATORY
TO ENABLE HIS CALIBRATION OF LAND SURVEYORS’
COMPASSES IN AN EFFORT TO IMPROVE THE SURVEYS
OF LAND IN NEW BRUNSWICK”**

As part of the celebration of its 50th anniversary of incorporation, the Association of New Brunswick Land Surveyors collaborated with the Department of Geodesy & Geomatics Engineering at UNB to refurbish the immediate vicinity of the pillar and to place the plaque.

A commemoration of the first use of the pillar in 1875 will be held:

at the pillar [8.82^{ch} South of the Transit Room of the Brydone Jack Observatory]
immediately south of UNB’s Aitken Residence

on Thursday, 2005 02 17, at 15h00 AST

You are cordially invited to attend.

For more information, ANBLS office: 458-8266
A few details on the meridian pillar can be seen in minutes of the first Board of Examiners meeting, posted on the Historical Site section at www.anbns.nb.ca