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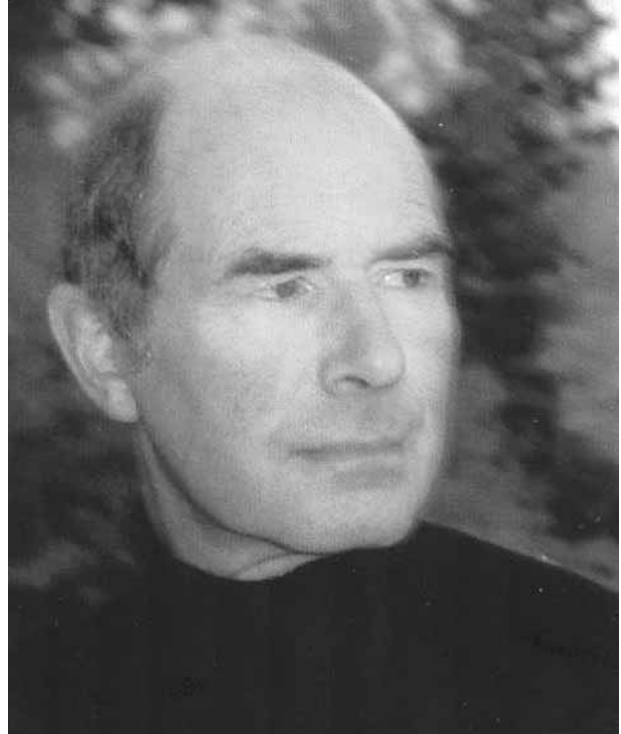
## **Robert Rayner** author of *Just for Kicks*

Robert Rayner used to be a teacher in England, Newfoundland and New Brunswick and was principal of St. George Elementary School in St. George, New Brunswick, until he retired in 2002. Before going into education he worked as a journalist in Cambridge, England, and did a number of other jobs such as law clerk, holiday camp assistant and warehouseman.

He toured Nunavut for Children's Book Week in November 2004 visiting schools and libraries.

He lives on the Magaguadavic River with his wife Nancy who is also a teacher. He likes teaching and playing music (he plays saxophone and clarinet in a small band, The Pearls), walking, gardening, feeding and watching birds, photography and skiing...

...and writing. "I usually write in the morning, and teach music in the afternoon. Sometimes, if I'm trying to finish something, I write some more in the evening or go over what I wrote earlier."



### **Selected Awards**

*Walker's Runners*, shortlisted Ann Connor Brimer Children's Literature Award, Margaret and John Savage First Book Award

*Miss Little's Losers*, Canadian Children's Book Centre 'Our Choice' selection

### **Some Other Books by Robert Rayner**

*Walker's Runners*, Lorimer 2002

*Miss Little's Losers*, Lorimer 2003

*Suspended*, Lorimer 2004