

CTAA NEWSLETTER
January 2007

1. 51st Annual Conference at Charlottetown, PEI

The 51st Annual Conference and Annual General Meeting, attended by approximately 270 delegates plus 52 accompanying persons, was held at the Delta Prince Edward in Charlottetown. Approximately 40 new members were included in the above-noted total. The Local Arrangements Committee did an outstanding job ensuring that everyone had a full program. The CUPGA meeting was well attended on Sunday and 24 papers were presented at the CTAA conference.

The early birds were treated to a very well organized tour of the Confederation Bridge. The tour included videos of the project, shown on the bus, and a walk through the support structure. Everyone enjoyed the experience.

2. Board of Directors

The names of your Board of Directors for 2006-2007 are as follows:

President	Chuck McMillan
1 st Vice-President	Yves Thériault
2 nd Vice President	Art Johnston
Directors: British Columbia	Jim Johnson
Prairies	Bob Forfylo
Ontario	Kelly Carrick
Québec	Michel Paradis
Atlantic	Guy Kendziora
Past President	Vince Aurilio
Past Past President	Leonie Kavanagh

3. Awards

The 2005 award winners were presented with plaques and prizes at the Awards Luncheon on Wednesday.

- 3.1** The Earl Kee Award for best presentation by a new author was presented to William J. Pine.
- 3.2** The Editor's Award for the best-prepared paper went Alan Carter, and Mary Stroup Gardiner.
- 3.3** The Norman E. McLeod Award for the best oral presentation was given to Alan Carter.

4. Committees

The President appointed the following persons to the various committees of the Association:

4.1. Executive Committee	Chair	Chuck McMillan Yves Thériault Art Johnston Vince Aurilio Leonie Kavanagh Robert Noble
4.2. Technical Program	Chair	Yves Thériault Michel Paradis Art Johnston Jim Johnson Vince Aurilio

4.3. Membership	Chair	Jim Johnson Bob Forfyflow Regional Directors
4.4. Communications/Publicity	Chair	Guy Kendziora Leonie Kavanagh Art Johnston
4.5. Web Site Coordinator	Chair	Yves Thériault
4.6. Education & Training	Chair	Kelly Carrick Leonie Kavanagh Michelle Paradis
4.7. Technical Liaison	Chair	Bob Forfyflow
4.8. Local Arrangements – Niagara Falls – 2007	Co-Chair	Vince Aurilio
4.9. By-Laws Committee	Chair	Leonie Kavanagh
4.10. Nominating Committee	Chair	Vince Aurilio

5 Finance

The audited financial report for the period Oct. 1/05 to June 30/06 prepared by our auditors Norgaard Neal Camden & Co. was circulated to members present at the Conference. Please note that the fiscal year for the Association now ends on June 30th and the figures for 2006 are for a 9-month period only. If anyone wishes a copy, please advise the Secretary-Treasurer. The highlights of the report are as follows:

	2006	2005
Revenue		
Annual Conference	293,716	208,615
Dues	114,083	91,053
Other	<u>2,387</u>	<u>3,714</u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>410,186</i>	<i>303,382</i>
Expenses		
Annual Conference	232,667	227,818
Miscellaneous	14,073	13,552
Support Services	17,214	23,651
Board of Directors	6,874	9,025
Office	18,803	24,414
Proceedings	<u>65,754</u>	<u>46,047</u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>355,385</i>	<i>344,507</i>
Net Income	54,801	(41,125)
Member Equity		
Beginning of year	231,006	272,131
End of year	285,808	231,006

6 Annual Membership Dues

We wish to remind those that paid the non-member fee to attend the Conference in Charlottetown only paid fees for membership in the Association for the year 2006 and dues are now payable for 2007.

Invoices for the 2007 annual dues are enclosed with this Newsletter. Members are asked to ensure that the second (yellow) copy of the invoice accompanies all payments so that identification of the payee can be easily made. Members who do not pay by mid-April will be re-billed. Your cooperation in a speedy payment is appreciated.

If a member is to be replaced by another person in an organisation then a new application must be forwarded. Automatic membership turnover to a succeeding member in an organisation is not possible unless the proposed member submits an application for approval to the Board. Approvals are made at the Board meetings in April and in November.

Members who are employed by government organisations are exempt from GST ONLY if the governmental body is paying their invoices. Invoices paid by personal cheque, money order or personal credit card **MUST** include GST.

Members who have not paid their dues by July 31, 2007 will be placed on the suspended list and their names will not appear in the 2007 copy of our Proceedings.

Please note that the invoices include mailing address, telephone and facsimile numbers and e-mail address. If there are any corrections, please show the changes and/or additions on the yellow copies of the invoice returned with your cheque.

The Association has been reporting membership statistics based on the members' category of employment or otherwise. We would request that when you return the yellow copy of your invoice with your payment that you indicate in which of the following categories you would best fit:

Contractor Consultant Government (specify level) Supplier Academic Other

7 CUPGA

The Annual Meeting of the Management Committee for the Canadian User Producer Group of Asphalt was held on Saturday, November 4, 2006, followed by a General Session on Sunday.

The Management Committee Executive for this year is as follows:

Chair	Tom Dziedziejko
1 st Vice Chair	René Dufresne
2 nd Vice Chair	John Emery
Past Chair	Ken Fyvie

8 CAMP

The Annual Meeting of the Canadian Asphalt and Mix Exchange Program was held on Wednesday, November 8, 2006, in Charlottetown.

The 2006-2007 Steering Committee was selected as follows:

Atlantic	Sheldon Roach
Québec	Michel Paradis
Ontario	
Manitoba	Leonnie Kavanagh
Saskatchewan	Magdy Beshara
Alberta	Jim Montgomery
British Columbia	Jim Johnson

The Engineering Service Division of the Saskatchewan Highways and Transportation is again the host of the Canadian Asphalt Exchange Program and the Canadian Asphalt Mix Exchange Program.

9 New Members

We have mailed out approximately 40 certificates to new members approved at the two Board of Directors' meetings in Charlottetown in November.

10 2007 Annual Conference – Niagara Falls, Ontario

The 2007 Conference will be held in Niagara Falls, Ontario from November 19-21, 2007 at the Sheraton Hotel. Room rates have been set at \$119.00 for single/double occupancy.

Registration information will be sent out with the July newsletter.

11 Future Conferences

2008 – Saskatoon 2009 – Atlantic (?) 2010 - Edmonton

12 Call for Papers – 2007 Niagara Falls

A copy of the Call for Papers has been included with this Newsletter. Please note the closing date for submissions of abstracts. The selection of 20-22 papers for presentation at the Conference is normally made from 45-50 abstract submissions. The success and continued existence of our Association depends on the presentation of sufficient high quality technical papers at our conference. Please send in your offers before the February 21st deadline date.

We have been very fortunate over the last 50 years with the quality of the papers presented to the CTAA conferences. The Association will continue to pursue this target and we look forward to an outstanding selection of papers this year. Thanks go to the hard work and professional attitude of the authors.

13 Minutes – 51st Annual General Meeting

The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held in Charlottetown last November are posted on our web site at www.ctaa.ca. For those who do not have access to the Internet and/or who wish to have a hard copy, please advise Head Office.

14 Past Presidents' Breakfast

The Association hosted the 13th Annual Past Presidents' Breakfast where a number of issues were raised and recommendations made that may be of interest to the Board and will, no doubt, be discussed at future meetings.

15 Credit Cards

The Association will accept payment by credit cards, Visa and MasterCard only, for both conference fees and annual dues. Anyone intending to pay the annual dues with their card will note that their invoice must be returned with the appropriate information included thereon plus their signature.

16 Scholarships

The first scholarship awarded by the Canadian Technical Asphalt Association was presented to Ms Linda Savage of the University of Calgary. Unfortunately, she was unable to attend the meeting in Charlottetown so Art Johnston and Daryl MacLeod, representing our Association, made the presentation of \$2,500 in Calgary.

The scholarship fund was increased considerably when the Board of Directors transferred \$50,000 to the scholarship account. It is the hope of the Board that the scholarship fund will continue to increase through donations or other means and that it will be self-perpetuating.

17 Web Site

The Association web site is now being updated and enhanced by a professional web site manager. Yves Thériault, web site coordinator for CTAA, is working with the manager to develop a "Members Only" section. More on this in the July newsletter.

18 Strategic Plan

The Strategic Plan, first developed in 2001, was updated last fall. The key business goals are as follows:

1. To promote asphalt technology through information exchange.
2. To promote communication amongst members.
3. To encourage industry-wide participation.
4. To improve education and training tools for stakeholders.

19 Membership Application Form

A membership application form has been included with this newsletter. We would hope that this form or copies of same would be passed on to people or companies that would benefit from the knowledge and information exchange available within our organisation.

Robert Noble, P.Eng.
Secretary Treasurer