



Canadian Technical Asphalt Association

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53rd Annual Conference



Left: Agrium Mine Tour 2008

Below: Food, Fun and Friends at the Banquet.



The 53rd Annual Conference and Annual General Meeting, attended by approximately 360 delegates, including 86 new members and 31 accompanying persons, was held at the Delta Bessborough Hotel in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. The Local Arrangements Committee did an outstanding job ensuring that everyone had a full program. The CUPGA meeting was attended by 181 delegates on Sunday and 22 papers were presented at the Conference.

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Technical Awards

The 2007 award winners were presented with plaques and prizes at the Awards Luncheon on Wednesday, November 19th.

2007 Earl Kee Award

The Earl Kee Award for best presentation by a new author was presented to Marta Juhasz.



2007

Norman E. McLeod Award

The Norman E. McLeod Award for the best oral presentation was given to Anton S. Kucharek.



Technical Awards (cont'd from page 1)

2007 Elaine Thompson Award (formerly Editor's Award)

The 2007 Editor's Award for the best-prepared paper the name of which has been changed to the Elaine Thompson Award, went to Curtis Berthelot, Gary Houston, Harlan Ritchie, Brian Palm and Jena Fair.

CTAA Editor, Stephen Goodman presenting the award to Curtis Berthelot



2008 Elaine Thompson Award

The 2008 winners of the Elaine Thompson Award which were also recognized at the Luncheon were Hassan Baaj and Michel Paradis..

Pictured at left Stephen Goodman, Hassan Baaj and Michel Paradis.

2008 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

The third scholarship awarded by the Canadian Technical Asphalt Association was given to Diana Podborochynski from the University of Saskatoon. Diana was present at the conference to receive the \$2,500 scholarship award. Incidentally, Diana was a very active member of the LAC Committee (2008 Conference web site courtesy of Diana).

The Board of Directors of the Canadian Technical Asphalt Association agreed to transfer \$50,000 from the general account in to the scholarship account. The scholarship fund now exceeds \$100,000 and will be self-sustaining when interest rates recover somewhat. At present the annual award is \$2,500 but the Board has discussed changing the award amount, making more than one award, etc. etc. Donations will be greatly appreciated as will any recommendations.



Diana being presented the Scholarship Award by 2008 President Yves Thériault.

NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD MEMBERS

The Nominations Committee is actively selecting potential Board members from the British Columbia, Ontario and Atlantic Canada regions. A Nomination Form has been posted on the web site in the Members Only section. This form can be used by members to nominate someone including themselves. Please note that the nomination form must be submitted to Head Office by April 1, 2009.



Board of Directors 2008 – 2009

Back Row: Robert Noble, Hugh Donovan, Terry Hughes, Keith MacInnis, Stephen Goodman, Stephen Yeo, Robert Forfyflow, Ken Fyvie, Alan Carter

Front Row: Chuck McMillan, Kelly Carrick, Art Johnston, Michel Paradis, Yves Thériault

Board of Directors 2008 – 2009

President	Art Johnston
1st Vice President	Kelly Carrick
2nd Vice President	Michel Paradis
Directors:	
British Columbia	Ken Fyvie
Prairies	Bob Forfyflow
Ontario	Keith MacInnis
Québec	Alan Carter
Atlantic	Stephen Yeo
Past President	Yves Thériault
Past Past President	Chuck McMillan

Committees 2009

Executive Committee:	Art Johnston (Chair), Kelly Carrick, Michel Paradis, Yves Thériault, Chuck McMillan, Robert Noble
Technical Program:	Kelly Carrick (Chair), Art Johnston, Michel Paradis, Keith MacInnis, Chuck McMillan
Membership:	Bob Forfyflow, (Chair) Regional Directors
Communications/ Publicity/Web Site:	Ken Fyvie (Chair), Alan Carter, Michel Paradis
Education & Training:	Kelly Carrick (Chair), Terry Hughes, Stephen Yeo, Alan Carter, Chuck McMillan (Sat. Training)
Technical Liaison:	Michel Paradis (Chair)
By-Laws Committee:	Chuck McMillan (Chair)
Nominating Committee:	Yves Thériault, (Chair) Ken Fyvie

FINANCE

The audited financial report for the period of Jul 1/07 to June 30/08 prepared by our auditors Norgaard Neal Camden & Co. was circulated to members present at the Conference. If anyone wishes a copy, please advise the Secretary-Treasurer at the Head Office address. The highlights of the report are as follows:

Credit Cards

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

Revenue	2008	2007
Annual Conference	325,429	202,184
Dues	122,239	119,919
Other	<u>6,760</u>	<u>5,441</u>
Total	454,428	327,544
Expenses		
Annual Conference	256,935	200,868
Miscellaneous	21,673	20,265
Support Services	31,850	25,084
Board of Directors	8,546	8,883
Office	24,050	15,804
Proceedings	<u>48,187</u>	<u>48,938</u>
Total	391,241	319,842
Net Income	63,187	7,702
Member Equity		
Beginning of year	293,510	285,808
End of year	356,697	293,510

Financial Statement — By-Law Amendment

Article 7.6 of the Association's By-Laws state that the books of the Association shall be audited on an annual basis. Audits are normally undertaken by large public organizations and companies but groups such as ours have opted to prepare more work in-house and appoint an accountant to review the results. Some very large corporations have had major financial reporting failures in the last few years and the rules of auditing have thus become much more stringent and more costly to enforce. Our auditors suggested that we change our process to be both more in line with other similar organizations and to save money. We are quite confident that our financial reporting will not be compromised.

In order to make this change the By-Laws have to be amended. A motion was approved at the Annual General Meeting in Saskatoon to pass the proposed change to letter ballot. You will note that we have included a ballot and return envelope in this mailing, if your 2008 dues were paid. The ballot includes the amended copy of

the proposed By-Law showing new and old wording.

The old and new wording for Article 7.6 is as follows (italicised is the old wording; underlined is the new wording):

The books of the Association shall be closed on the thirtieth day of June of each year, and they shall be audited compiled annually upon the direction of the Board of Directors. The Voting members shall, at each Annual Meeting, appoint an Auditor Accountant to audit compile the accounts of the Association and to hold office until the next Annual Meeting, provided that the Directors may fill any casual vacancy in the office of the Auditor Accountant. The remuneration of the Auditor Accountant shall be fixed by the Board of Directors. The Auditor Accountant must be independent of the Association and its members.

Please vote as you please and send the ballot back to Head Office by March 15, 2009

CUPGA

The Annual Meeting of the Management Committee for the Canadian User Producer Group for Asphalt was held on Saturday, November 15, 2008, followed by a General Session on Sunday.

The Management Committee Executive for this year is as follows:

Chair	John Emery
1 st Vice Chair	Bob Forfylow
2 nd Vice Chair	Daryl MacLeod
Past Chair	René Dufresne

Conference 2009

2009 Annual Conference Moncton, New Brunswick

The 2009 Conference co-chaired by Terry Hughes and Jamie Weatherbee will be held in Moncton, New Brunswick from November 15 to November 18, 2009 at the Delta Beausejour. Room rates have been set at \$135.00 for a Standard Delta Room and \$155.00 for Premier room, single/double occupancy.

Registration information will be sent out with the July Newsletter and will be posted to the CTAA website.

Conference Registration Fees: The business of preparing for and staging an association conference is becoming more difficult and time-consuming each year. The hotels are wanting some money up front plus fairly accurate room requirements and meal numbers. This means that the Local Arrangement Committee would like to know as early as possible who will be attending. In order to help make this work it was decided to increase the conference fee by \$50 for all those who register after October 26, 2009. While the majority of conference attendees are normally registered well ahead of the conference there have been some years such as 2008 when late registrations have made room and meal arrangements quite difficult. We appreciate your understanding and hopefully this will not deter any who wish to attend the conference.



Moncton Skyline showing the Delta Beausejour

FUTURE CONFERENCES

2010 — Edmonton

2011 — Québec City

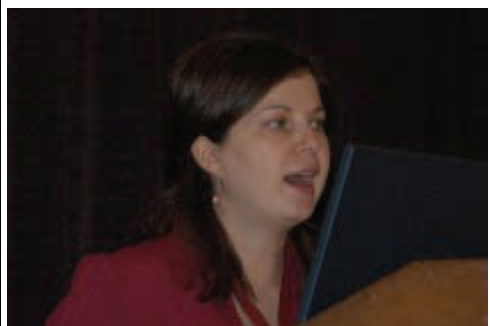
2012 — Vancouver

53rd Annual General Meeting Minutes

The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held in Saskatoon 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.

Past Presidents' Breakfast

The Association hosted the 15th 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.



**Your 2008 LAC Co-Chair
Ania Anthony**

CALL FOR PAPERS - 2009 Moncton

A copy of the **Call for Papers** was included with the invoices sent out earlier this month and can also be downloaded from the website. 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 16th** deadline date.

Annual Membership Dues

We wish to remind those that paid the non-member fee to attend the Conference in Saskatoon only paid fees for membership in the Association for the year **2008** and dues are now payable for **2009**.

Invoices for 2009 annual dues have already been mailed. 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 co-operation in a speedy payment is appreciated.

If a member is to be replaced by another person in an organization then a new application must be forwarded. Automatic membership turnover to a succeeding member in an organization 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. A link to the current year's application form can be found at the bottom of the home page of the web site.

Members who are employed by government organizations are

exempt from GST **ONLY** if the government body is paying their invoice. Exemption numbers should be recorded on the yellow copy of the invoice. If paying on line through the Renew Membership Dues link, please indicate in either Professional Qualifications or Experience fields the GST exemption number. Invoices paid by personal cheque, money order, or personal credit card **MUST** include GST. Members who have not paid their dues by July 31, 2009 will be placed on the suspended list and their names will not appear in the 2009 copy of our Proceedings.

Please note that the invoices included 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 copy of the invoice returned with your payment. Some organization finance departments do not send the yellow copy with the cheque so perhaps a reminder to them to send a copy would be in order. Also, we have included a line on the invoice which will allow you the option of donating to the

Scholarship fund at the time of paying your invoice.

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:

Categories (Choose one)

Contractor
Consultant
Government (specify level)
Supplier
Academic
Other

CAMP

The Annual Meeting of the Canadian Asphalt and Mix Exchange Program was held on Wednesday, November 19, 2008 in Saskatoon.

The 2008-2009 Steering Committee was selected as follows:

Atlantic	Sheldon Roach
Québec	Michel Paradis
Ontario	
Manitoba	Randy Pitz
Saskatchewan	Magdy Beshara
Albert	Jim Montgomery
British Columbia	

Electronic Mailing

The Association, as noted in the July and August 2008 Newsletters, will start sending out information to members electronically this July. The necessary information, conference details and registration forms, membership application forms, etc. will be posted to the Association's web site and members will be advised by e-mail when such new postings have been made. Some of the information posted to the website will be located in the "Members Only" section. The covering e-mail will detail what new information is being posted and where on the web site it is being posted. Invoices and ballots will

still be sent out by post.

Members with e-mail addresses should ensure: A) that the e-mail address shown on their invoice is correct and, B) that that e-mail address will, in fact, receive e-mails from the Association's group e-mails. Our address on the e-mail will be ctaavic@islandnet.com.

Members who do not have an e-mail address will continue to receive their information by post.

Members should have already received an e-mail advising them of this newsletter. Please advise Head Office of any problems.

To access the "Members Only" section of the web site for members whose 2008 dues were paid, use

your last name (not case sensitive) and your member number (also not case sensitive). Your member number can be found on your 2009 invoice for dues to the left of the invoice number.

New Members

We have mailed out 96 certificates to new members approved at the two Board of Directors' meetings in Saskatoon in November.