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Asphalt Association**



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57th Annual Conference

The 57th Annual Conference was attended by approximately 381 delegates, including 89 new members approved at the two November Board meetings. These new members have been mailed their certificates. The conference delegates also brought 49 accompanying persons to enjoy the conference and local area, which was held at the Westin Bayshore in Vancouver, B.C.. There were 25 technical papers presented at the conference to the delegates in addition to numerous topics presented at the CUPGA meeting attended by 180 delegates on Sunday. A training session on Roadway Smoothness was held on the Saturday attended by approximately 40 members.

Typical scenes from your CTAA Annual Conference

(Photos courtesy of Gerry Huber, honorary member of CTAA)



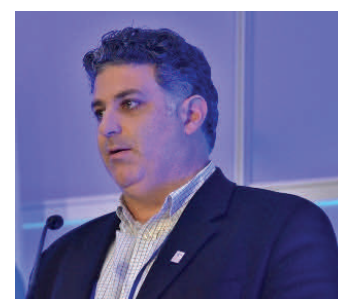
A typical
session.....

...with
questions
from the
floor.



And speakers
from **far**
(France)

...and **near**
(Vancouver)



CALL FOR PAPERS 2013 St. John's

A copy of the **Call for Papers** will be included with the invoices sent out this month and can also be downloaded from the website. Please note the closing date for submissions of abstracts, February 11th, 2013. The selection of 20 - 25 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 11th** deadline date.

Download a copy in [English](#) or in [French](#).

Changes to the Constitution and By Laws

The August Newsletter included a section about changing the Constitution and the By Laws to add a Director from the province of Alberta. The Board of Directors passed the motion at their May 26, 2012 meeting. The members at the Annual General meeting are offered an opportunity to discuss the amendments following which they must vote on a motion to send the amendments to the members at large through a letter ballot.

The present Constitution and By Laws includes reference to five geographical areas and twelve Board members. The Board proposes to change the five to six geographical areas and to change the number of Board members from twelve to fourteen. The reason for the fourteen is, as will be noted in the By Laws, Article 4.1, to allow 3 presidential reps, 6 geographical reps, 2 past presidents, 2 Local Arrangement reps and an opening, if it is ever necessary, to balance the occupational representation on the Board.

The members at the Annual General Meeting approved amendments to the Constitution and By Laws to add a Director. Furthermore they also voted in favour of taking the proposed amendments to Article 3 of the Constitution and Articles 4.1 and 6.2 of the By Laws to a letter ballot.

These changes and voting ballots will be sent out with the membership invoices with a return date of April 15, 2013.

The motion will be:

Amend Article 3 of the Constitution and Articles 4.1 and 6.2 of the By Laws of the Canadian Technical Asphalt Association to read as follows:

Article 3 of the Constitution

3. The Management of the Association shall consist of a Board of Directors composed of no less than nine and no more than ~~twelve~~ fourteen Members, providing that the ~~five~~ six geographical regions of Canada, i.e. Atlantic Provinces, Quebec, Ontario, Prairie Provinces and Territories, Alberta, and British Columbia are suitably represented.

Articles 4 .1 and 6.2 of the By Laws

- 4.1 The business of the Association shall be managed by a Board of Directors comprised of a President, a First Vice-President, a Second Vice-President, ~~five~~ six Directors-at-large, one from each geographic region, the two latest living Past Presidents who continue to be members of the Association, and such additional maximum of ~~two~~ one Directors as the Board of Directors shall appoint to provide balanced occupational representation. In addition, the chair (or one of the co-chairs) of the local arrangements committees organizing the current and following Annual CTAA Conferences shall be appointed to the Board of Directors as non-voting members for an appropriate period, but not to exceed two years. No Director shall be less than eighteen years of age.
- 6.2 In odd-numbered years, the Nominating committee will put forward the names of candidates for election to the Board of Directors from the regions of Atlantic Provinces, Ontario and ~~British Columbia~~ Alberta. In even-numbered years, the Nominating Committee will put forward names of candidates for election to the Board of Directors from the regions of Quebec ~~and the~~, Prairie Provinces and Territories, and British Columbia.

The ballot will show one Motion with “Agree” or “Disagree”.



Alan Carter

CAMEP / CAEP

The Board of Directors would like to report that École de technologie supérieure (ETS) in Montréal will continue to look after the asphalt and asphalt mix exchange for at least the next three years. Alan Carter of ETS will also continue to be in charge of the program.

Notices for participation in this year's program have gone out to last year's participants plus a number of laboratories who participated in the past. For labs not on those lists and who wish to participate, please refer to our web site www.ctaa.ca or click on the links below:

[Canadian Asphalt Mix Exchange Program](#)

[Canadian Asphalt Exchange Program](#)



Board of Directors 2012 – 2013

Back Row: Robert Noble (Secretary Treasurer), Chuck McMillan (Secretary Treasurer), Stephen Goodman (Editor), Nabil Kamel, Mark Downie, Hugh Donovan, Brandon MacDonald, René Dufresne, Todd Strynadka

Front Row: Ania Anthony, Keith MacInnis, Robert Forfyflow, Alan Carter, Michel Paradis

Board of Directors 2012 – 2013

President	Robert Forfyflow
1st Vice President	Keith MacInnis
2nd Vice President	Alan Carter
Directors: British Columbia	Todd Strynadka
Prairies	Hugh Donovan
Ontario	Nabil Kamel
Québec	René Dufresne
Atlantic	Mark Downie
LAC Chair 2013	Brandon MacDonald
LAC Chair 2014	Mark Wiese
Past President	Ania Anthony
Past Past President	Michel Paradis

2013 Committees

Executive Committee:	Bob Forfyflow (Chair), Keith MacInnis, Alan Carter, Ania Anthony, Michel Paradis, Robert Noble, Chuck McMillan
2013 Conference : Program	Keith MacInnis (Chair), Alan Carter, Bob Forfyflow, Ania Anthony, Mark Downie, Nabil Kamel
Membership:	René Dufresne, (Chair) Regional Directors
Education & Training:	Hugh Donovan (Chair), Regional Directors, Chuck McMillan (Saturday Training Session)
By-Laws Committee:	Michel Paradis (Chair)
Nominating Committee:	Ania Anthony (Chair), Mark Downie, Keith MacInnis
Scholarship:	Todd Strynadka (Chair), Regional Directors
CUPGA Liaison	Mark Downie

Annual Membership Dues

We wish to remind those that paid the non-member fee to attend the Conference in Vancouver **only paid fees for membership** in the Association for the year **2012** and dues are now payable for **2013**.

Invoices for 2013 annual dues will be mailed early next week. Members are asked to ensure that the second (yellow) copy of the invoice accompany all payments so that identification of the payee can be easily made. Members who do not pay by Mid-April will be re-invoiced. 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 employee within an organization is not possible unless the proposed member submits an application for approval by the Board. Approvals are made at the Board meetings in May and in November. A link to the current year's application form can be found on the ["Join / Contact / Order Form"](#) page on the web site.

Please note that the invoices include mailing address, telephone-

and facsimile numbers, and e-mail addresses. 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's finance departments do not send the yellow copy with the cheque so perhaps a reminder to them to do so would be in order. There is included also on the invoice the option of donating to the Scholarship fund.

New this year is a choice on the invoice regarding our Proceedings. Some members have indicated they would be satisfied with the CD only. Please record your preference when returning payment whether you wish the Proceedings and CD OR the CD only.

For those who paid 2012 dues they may pay on line using the link below or login to the "Members Only Page" of the web site and click on the "Renew Membership" link.

[Renewal Form](#)

Members who are employed by government organizations are exempt from GST or HST **ONLY** if the government body is paying the

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/HST exemption number. Invoices paid by personal cheque, money order, or personal credit card **MUST** include GST/HST. Members who have not paid their dues by **July 31, 2013** will be placed on the suspended list and their names will not appear in the **2013** copy of the Proceedings.

Visa and MasterCard are the only credit cards accepted by CTAA for all payments to the Association. Please ensure the name of the cardholder is included with the payment if different than the member's name.

As a reminder, to access the "Members Only" section of the site, your user name is now your member number and your password is your last name. Both are case sensitive and should be entered as they appear on your invoice or your membership card which you will receive with your 2013 receipt for dues paid. Members Only page is accessible by paid-up members

2012 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Mr. Peter Salah, a Masters student at Dalhousie University, was the recipient of the 2012 CTAA Open Scholarship and **Mr. Joshua Stipancic**, Applied Science degree at the University of Waterloo, was the recipient of the 2012 CTAA Industry Scholarship. The scholarships were each valued at \$2,000.

CTAA Head Office will send out notices to approximately 50 universities, colleges and technical schools that have been identified as having courses pertaining to asphalt technology. Members may know of interested students that are not privy to the scholarship information and if so, please have them contact our office.

The Scholarship fund is in the

order of \$150,000 and hopefully will be self-sustaining in the near future. Donations are always gratefully welcomed. The scholarship eligibility requirements are as follows:

CTAA Open Scholarship

The CTAA Open Scholarship will be presented to a student who has been admitted into, or is currently enrolled in, a technical college or a university program leading to a diploma, undergraduate degree, or post graduate degree which contributes to advances in any facet of asphalt technology. Eligible fields of study include chemistry, chemical engineering, and construction or civil engineering. Other areas of study may be considered provided the applicant clearly notes the relevance of his/her curriculum towards asphalt

technology.

CTAA Asphalt Industry Scholarship

The CTAA Asphalt Industry Scholarship will be presented to a student who has been admitted into, or is currently enrolled in, a technical college or a university program leading to a diploma or an undergraduate degree which contributes to advances in any facet of asphalt technology. Eligible fields of study include chemistry, chemical engineering, and construction or civil engineering. Other areas of study may be considered provided the applicant clearly notes the relevance of his/her curriculum towards asphalt technology. Applicants with industrial experience in asphalt technology are encouraged to apply.

2013 Annual Conference St. John's, Newfoundland

The 2013 Conference, chaired by Brandon MacDonald, will be held at Sheraton Hotel Newfoundland in St. John's, Newfoundland, from Sunday, November 17 to Wednesday, November 20. Room rates have been set at \$169 for a Traditional Guest Room. Deluxe rooms and suites will be available at higher rates.

Conference and hotel registration information will be posted on the web site in July and in addition will be included in the July Newsletter.

This will be the first Canadian Technical Asphalt Association conference to be held in Newfoundland/Labrador and it promises to be a good one according to the Local Arrangements Committee. Make sure you are part of the group that makes the first CTAA meeting on the "Rock".

The Board of Directors and the CUPGA Management Committee met in Vancouver to discuss the future format for our conferences. It was decided to hold the "presentation" portion of the CUPGA meeting on Sunday afternoon from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. The CUPGA workshop will be combined with the CTAA workshop on Tuesday afternoon. The training session which has been held on Saturday will now be held on Sunday morning. The July Newsletter will include additional and up-to-date information regarding the Sunday functions.



Photo Courtesy of Sheraton Hotel Newfoundland web site.

The Association has recognized that the earlier the conference registrations are made the easier it is for the Local Arrangements Committee to plan the functions, especially the meal requirements. In order to assist with this program we have increased the registration fees by \$50.00 for those registering after **October 25, 2013**.

CUPGA

The Annual Meeting of the Management Committee for the Canadian User Producer Group for Asphalt was held on Saturday, November 17th, 2012, followed by a General Session on Sunday.

The Management Committee Executive for this year is as follows:

Chair	Mark Underhill
1st Vice Chair	Ryan Clark
2nd Vice Chair	Chris Raymond
Secretary	Vacant
Past Chair	Sandy Brown

Past Presidents' Meeting

The Association hosted the 19th Annual Past Presidents' Meeting 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.

FINANCE

The financial report for the period of July 1/11 to June 30/12 prepared by our accountants 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:

Revenue	2012	2011
Annual Conference	304,938	322,547
Dues	129,037	125,317
Other	<u>10,113</u>	<u>6,992</u>
Total	444,088	454,856

Expenses		
Annual Conference	279,806	276,149
Miscellaneous	19,692	18,627
Support Services	37,103	37,169
Board of Directors	14,395	16,726
Office	25,042	18,445
Proceedings	<u>39,763</u>	<u>47,810</u>
Total	415,801	414,926

Net Income	28,287	39,930
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Member Equity		
Beginning of year	452,029	412,099
End of year	480,316	452,029,

Earl Kee and Norman E. McLeod Awards

The 2011 winners of the **Earl Kee** and **Norman E. McLeod Awards** were Chris Dechkoff and Roanne Kelln, respectively. Ms Kelln, unfortunately, was unable to attend the conference this year. Mr. Dechkoff was presented with a plaque at the Awards Luncheon on Wednesday, November 21st by President Ania Anthony.



Chris Dechkoff and President Ania Anthony at the Awards Luncheon.

2012 Elaine Thompson Award

The 2012 winners of the Elaine Thompson Award for the best-prepared paper were Christian Babuin and Alan Reggin both of EBA, a Tetra Tech Company.



2012 Award recipient, Christian Babuin, receiving the Elaine Thompson Award from Stephen Goodman, Proceedings Editor for CTAA.

57th Annual General Meeting Minutes

The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held in Vancouver 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.



Accompanying Guests of the 57th CTAA Annual Conference.

Future Conferences

2014 Winnipeg at the Fairmont Winnipeg Hotel



(picture courtesy of the Fairmont Winnipeg Hotel web site)

2015 Ottawa hotel TBD

(picture courtesy of the About.com [Canada Travel] web site)



New Members

We have mailed out 101 certificates to new members approved at the two Board of Directors' meetings held in November in Vancouver.