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58th Annual Conference



The 2014 Board being treated to a shortened version of the traditional "Screeching In" ceremony.

The 58th Annual Conference was attended by approximately 264 delegates, including 37 new members approved at the two November Board meetings. These new members have been mailed their certificates. The conference delegates also brought 56 accompanying persons to enjoy the conference and local area, which was held at the The Sheraton Hotel Newfoundland in St. John's, NL. This was the first CTAA conference to be held in Newfoundland and Labrador and by all measures it was an outstanding success. There were 24 technical papers presented at the conference to the delegates in addition to numerous topics presented at the CUPGA meeting attended by on Sunday afternoon. A training session on "Inspecting Hot Mix Asphalt for Performance", presented by Gerry Huber was held Sunday morning and attended by approximately 59 members.



Your 2013 LAC Chair, Brandon MacDonald.

Special points of interest:

- Conference Highlights
- Not-for-Profit Corporations Information update
- Award Recipients
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ROBERT NOBLE RETIRES

How does one say goodbye to a faithful volunteer after almost 35 years of continuous service? Well, should you ever need to know just ask CTAA's Board of Directors for 2013. They "did the organization proud" as the saying goes.



It all started with Julie Noble's idea of surprising Robert by inviting their 3 adult children and their spouses to attend the 2013 conference. And how do you keep the intended recipient of the surprise who reads all the emails at home and at the office from finding out about the surprise? You introduce Julie to Gmail of course! And so began a year of intrigue and challenges of over 600 plus members and family keeping a surprise.

The first surprise took place in the 6th floor elevator lobby when the doors of one elevator opened to face the elevator opposite it and Robert and children found themselves facing each other! Word has it there was lots of laughing going on with the ultimate "Dad question" from Robert being "What are you doing here?!?"

The second surprise came at the Tuesday evening banquet when Robert's two sons, Ross and John, were pipers for the traditional ceremony of piping in the Board. President Robert Forfylow presented Robert with a "coffee table" book full of memories of his participation in CTAA's annual conferences over the years . With her usual eloquence, Ania Anthony, 2012 President, presented a gift certificate to Robert to be used towards his dream trip to the Panama Canal. Julie was presented with a colourful and exotic floral arrangement which Julie truly appreciated as she is quite an accomplished floral arranger in her life outside of CTAA.

And finally Ania announced that the Wednesday luncheon up until now has been known as the "Awards Luncheon" will henceforth be known as the "Robert Noble Awards Luncheon. Congratulations on your retirement, Robert, and "THANK YOU" from all of us at CTAA. Robert remains on the Board as Secretary Treasurer Emeritus. (Photos on page 6)

CALL FOR PAPERS – 2014 Winnipeg

A copy of the **Call for Papers** has been included with the invoices mailed out in January and can also be downloaded from the website. Please note the closing date for submissions of abstracts, February 14th, 2014. 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 14th deadline date.** To download a copy in [English](#) or in [French](#) click on the links.

NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATIONS ACT

Membership dues invoices have been mailed to all members and included with the invoices was a ballot, a return envelope and a Call for Papers.

Last year's Newsletters provided some information regarding the requirements that our Association must be registered with Corporations Canada in accordance with the Canada Not-for-Profit Corporations Act **by October 2014**. We have prepared a form titled "Articles of Continuance" and a new set of By Laws called "By Law No. 1". The Articles of Continuance will lead to a Certificate of Continuance once Corporations Canada have granted their approval.

The Articles generally include much of what is in our Constitution and By Law No. 1 is a renumbering, more or less, of our existing By Laws with a couple of minor changes.

The Board has reviewed the new documents and passed a motion to approve the Articles and By Law No. 1; to apply to the Director under the Canada Not-for-Profit Corporations Act for a Certificate of Continuance; and to take both documents to the members for approval. At the Annual General Meeting in November 2013 the attending members approved a motion to take the resolution, in the form of a letter ballot, to the general members.

The letter ballot, which is included in the envelope with the invoice and Call for Papers, includes an explanation similar to the above and a Ballot. We would like the ballots to be returned to the CTAA Head Office in the return addressed envelope provided, by **March 20, 2014**.

CTAA'S OWN TEXTBOOK

As you all know, a sub-committee of the Board of Directors, spearheaded by Alan Carter, pictured, is working on a CTAA bituminous materials textbook. The goal is to have a textbook with a Canadian flavor that will be available at very low cost for the undergraduate and graduate students. As of now, the different chapters cover the following subjects: Materials – asphalt cement aggregates – additives, Mix design and analysis, Types and applications of mixes, Mechanical testing of asphalt mixtures, and mix production. We hope to have the first draft of the book done for the next annual conference. If you are interested in participating on the redaction of the book or if you are willing to review part of it, please send us an email at alan.carter@etsmtl.ca



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. Alan Carter of ETS will also continue to be in charge of the program.

Notices for participation in this year's program are going 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](#)

COMMUNICATIONS

As part of Steve Goodman's role as CTAA's Communications Manager, he will be taking over the Newsletter. Any ideas of articles to be included in future Newsletters should be sent them to Steve at steveg@amecorp.ca

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	Ryan Clark
1st Vice Chair	Pamela Marks
Past Chair	Mark Underhill

Rielle Haichert and Nawaz Panwher are also members of the Committee but have not yet been assigned to a position.

Past Presidents' Meeting

The Association hosted the 20th 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.

New Members

We have mailed out 45 certificates to new members approved at the two Board of Directors' meetings held in November in St. John's.



Board of Directors 2013 – 2014

Back Row: Chuck McMillan (Secretary Treasurer), Robert Noble (Secretary Treasurer Emeritus), Mark Weiss, Roman Stefaniw, Ryan Clark, René Dufresne, Wade Clouthier, Todd Strynadka, Stephen Goodman (Editor), *Absent: Nabil Kamel*

Front Row: Ania Anthony, Hugh Donovan, Keith MacInnis, Alan Carter, Robert Forfylow,

Board of Directors 2013 – 2014

President	Keith MacInnis
1st Vice President	Alan Carter
2nd Vice President	Hugh Donovan
Directors:	
Alberta	Roman Stefaniw
British Columbia	Todd Strynadka
Prairies Provinces And Territories	Ania Anthony
Ontario	Nabil Kamel
Québec	René Dufresne
Atlantic	Ryan Clark
LAC Chair 2014	Mark Wiese
LAC Chair 2015	Wade Clouthier
Past President	Robert Forfylow
Past Past President	Ania Anthony

2013 Committees

Executive Committee:	Keith MacInnis (Chair), Alan Carter, Hugh Donovan, Robert Forfylow, Ania Anthony, Chuck McMillan, Robert Noble
2014 Conference : Program	Alan Carter (Chair), Keith MacInnis, Robert Forfylow, Hugh Donovan, Roman Stefaniw, Ryan Clark
Membership:	René Dufresne, (Chair)
Education & Training:	Todd Strynadka (Chair), Regional Directors, Alan Carter, Chuck McMillan (Saturday Training Session)
By-Laws Committee:	Ania Anthony (Chair)
Nominating Committee:	Robert Forfylow (Chair), Ania Anthony, Alan Carter, Hugh Donovan
Scholarship:	Nabil Kamel (Chair), Regional Directors
CUPGA Liaison	Hugh Donovan

Annual Membership Dues

We wish to remind those that paid the non-member fee to attend the Conference in St. John's **only paid fees for membership** in the Association for the year **2013** and dues are now payable for **2014**.

Invoices for 2014 annual dues have been mailed. 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 cooperation 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 No-

ember. 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

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CHANGES TO CTAAS SCHOLARSHIPS

Available CTAA Scholarships

Provided qualified applications are received, the CTAA in 2014 plan to award 3 scholarships each valued at \$2000.00; the CTAA Graduate Scholarship, the CTAA Undergraduate Scholarship and the CTAA Applied Technology Scholarship.

The CTAA Graduate Scholarship will be presented to a student who has been admitted into, or is currently enrolled in, a Canadian university program leading to a 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.

The CTAA Undergraduate Scholarship will be presented to a student who has been admitted into, or is currently enrolled in, a Canadian technical college or a university program leading to an un-

dergraduate 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.

The CTAA Applied Technology Scholarship will be presented to a student who has been admitted into, or is currently enrolled in, Canadian technical college or a community college program leading to a diploma 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.

Application Process: In order to be considered for the annual CTAA

Scholarships the following materials must be received by the CTAA office no later than July 1st. Information received after this deadline will not be considered in the scholarship review process.

- Completed scholarship form;
- Applicant's resume (outline education, career objectives, work experience, community involvement, participation in extracurricular activities, special interests and achievements);
- Current academic transcripts;
- Applicant's statement of present and long-term career goals and aspirations (500 words or less);
- Three reference letters as noted below:
 - A letter of reference from the applicant's program advisor.
 - Two reference letters, preferably from CTAA members, or from individuals knowledgeable in the technical/academic qualifications of the applicant.
- The original letters must be sent directly to the CTAA office.

Members of the Canadian Technical Asphalt Association are encouraged to pass on this information to students that may be interested in our scholarship program and who may not be partial to the information we pass on to institutions of higher learning. The Board of Directors has attempted to identify all the institutions in Canada and a particular individual in each institution but some may have been missed and they look to the members for assistance.

2014 Annual Conference Winnipeg, Manitoba

The 2014 Conference, co-chaired by Mark Wiese and Tara Liske, will be held at Fairmont Winnipeg in Winnipeg, Manitoba from Sunday, November 16 to Wednesday, November 19. Room rates have been set at \$175 for a Fairmont 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 sent to those receiving the July Newsletter by mail.

This will be the sixth Canadian Technical Asphalt Association conference held in Winnipeg and based on past experiences should be a good one both from the social aspect and from the technical point of view.

Last year the format was changed slightly to include the

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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.

For those who paid 2013 dues they may pay online 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 online 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, 2014** will be placed on the delinquent list and their names will not appear in the **2014** 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 2014 receipt for dues paid. Members Only page is accessible by paid-up members only.

All the Proceedings have been posted on our web site and are accessible by paid up members. Some members prefer using the posted document rather than the book so you will note that this year's invoice includes a space to indicate whether or not you would like a Proceedings book. Invoices returned without any indication will be defaulted to a yes. The Board of Directors wish to advise all members that they are not trying to eliminate the book but are merely trying to change the number of copies printed and shipped.

regular CUPGA portion of the conference on Sunday afternoon and combining the CUPGA workshop portion with the regular CTAA Contractors' Workshop on Tuesday afternoon. This appeared to work out very well and will be done again at the Winnipeg conference. The training session is schedule for Sunday morning. The fee for CUPGA is included in the conference registration fee.

The Welcome Reception on Sunday night has been tentatively set for the Human Rights Museum. This is a new facility and is dependent, among other things, on being completed and ready.

The Accompanying Persons Committee include people with considerable CTAA experience and should prove to be most memorable.

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 15, 2014**.

58th Annual General Meeting Minutes

The draft Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held in St. John's 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.

FINANCE

The financial report for the period of July 1/12 to June 30/13 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	2013	2012
Annual Conference	373,591	304,938
Dues	133,330	129,037
Other	<u>12,932</u>	<u>10,113</u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>519,853</i>	<i>444,088</i>

Expenses

Annual Conference	315,688	279,806
Miscellaneous	20,531	19,692
Support Services	45,413	37,103
Board of Directors	11,804	14,395
Office	20,382	25,042
Proceedings	<u>45166</u>	<u>39,763</u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>458,984</i>	<i>415,801</i>

<i>Net Income</i>	60,869	28,287
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Member Equity

Beginning of year	480,316	452,029
End of year	541,185	480,316

Earl Kee and Norman E. McLeod Awards

The 2012 winners of the Earl Kee and Norman E. McLeod Awards were Rielle Haichert and Pavel Kriz, respectively.



Rielle Haichert, the Earl Kee Award, recipient, with President Robert Forfylow at the Awards Luncheon. Rielle was also the recipient of the 2013 Open Scholarship Award.



Pavel Kriz being presented with the Norman E. McLeod award by President Robert Forfylow at the Awards Luncheon.

2013 Elaine Thompson Award

The 2013 winners of the Elaine Thompson Award for the best prepared paper were Selena Lavorato, Steven Manolis, Gelu Vasiliu, Bryan Hughes, Sean Zimmerman and Ryon Reid for the paper entitled **“Evaluation of Laboratory and Field Performance of High Performance Cold Mix Patching Material with Reduced Volatile Organic Compound Content”** Unfortunately none of the authors were present to receive the Award.

PHOTO GALLERY



Robert Noble giving his thank you speech.



Robert's sons, Ross, foreground and John piping in the Board.

A Newfoundland dog greeted guests to the Welcome Reception on Sunday evening.



Attendees of 2013 CTAA Course, presented by Gerry Huber.

A scenic view
Part of the
Accompanying
Guests' tour
program on
Monday, Nov.
18.



Accompanying Guests of the 58th CTAA Annual Conference.

Future Conferences



2015 Ottawa at the
Chateau Laurier

(picture courtesy of Wikipedia's entry for the Chateau Laurier)

2016 to be held in Calgary/Banff—negotiations in progress.