

# Canadian Technical Asphalt Association



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## 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference

The 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference was attended by approximately 308 delegates, including 69 new members approved at the two November Board meetings. Seven of the new members were students. A total of 90 new members have been mailed their membership certificates. The conference delegates also hosted 28 accompanying persons who enjoyed the conference and local area, which was held at the The Fairmont Winnipeg Hotel in Winnipeg, MB. There were 25 technical papers presented at the conference to the delegates in addition to numerous topics presented at the CUPGA meeting on Sunday afternoon. A training session on “AI for M-E PDG”, presented by Sandy Brown of OHMPA, was held Sunday morning.

### Special points of interest:

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## BY LAW NO. 1 AMENDMENT

Article 5.03 of By Law No. 1 includes a reference to the number of candidates that must be put forward for each geographical region requiring an election. The Board of Directors has found, historically, that it is difficult to find someone ready to run against an incumbent Board member and when they do the incumbent generally wins. This has sometimes lead to members being reluctant to put their name up for a future election. A director can serve two consecutive, two-year terms and then can move up to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President's position or step down, not being eligible to run again for a period of one year.

The Board of Directors discussed this and decided to amend **Article 5.03** of By Law No. 1 to read “**at least one candidate**” rather than “**at least two candidates**”. This does not mean an automatic acclamation for the incumbent as the Nominating Committee is always looking for additional and willing people to serve on the Board.

The amendment motion was passed by the Board and then by members at the Annual General Meeting on November 16, 2013, including a statement that the amendment was to go to a letter ballot.

The ballot will be included in the envelope with the membership dues invoices. The invoices will be mailed shortly. Please use the return envelope enclosed with the ballot and invoice.

The amendment to Article 5.03, and as shown in the ballot enclosure, will read as follows:

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## CALL FOR PAPERS – 2015 Ottawa

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 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015. 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 13<sup>th</sup> deadline date.** To download a copy in [English](#) or in [French](#) click on the links.

## BY LAW NO. 1 AMENDMENT

*“At least five months prior to the next Annual Meeting, the nominating committee shall provide the Secretary-Treasurer of the Corporation with a list of at least ~~two~~ **one** General Member candidates from each geographic region requiring an election, who shall be nominated for the office of director, and, in addition, at least one candidate who shall be nominated for the office of Second Vice President. In the selection of candidates for these board positions, the nominating committee shall have due regard for diversity of vocational representation. Each candidate for the board shall have consented in writing to nomination before the report of the Nominating Committee is provided to the Secretary Treasurer.”*

**Please return the ballots by April 15, 2015.**

## CTAA'S OWN TEXTBOOK

As you all know, a sub-committee of the Board of Directors, spearheaded by Alan Carter 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](mailto: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 have been sent out to last year's participants plus a number of laboratories who participated in the past. If your lab has not received an email from CTAA's Head Office by **January 29** and you wish to participate, click on the links below. Please note there have been some slight changes in the format as follows:

**CAEP** — **At least 10** labs must participate in order to achieve reasonable statistics. To determine if sufficient number of labs are participating, please forward the questionnaire to CTAA **without payment**. If sufficient numbers register, then invoices will be sent to those participating.

**CAMEP** — **At least 10** labs must participate in the **Dynamic Modulus Test**. To determine if sufficient number of labs are participating, please forward the questionnaire to CTAA **by February 6, 2015**.

For labs wishing to participate, please refer to our web site [www.ctaa.ca](http://www.ctaa.ca) or click on the following links :

[Canadian Asphalt Mix Exchange Program](#)

[Canadian Asphalt Exchange Program](#)

## 59<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting Minutes

The draft Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held in Winnipeg last November are posted on our web site at [www.ctaa.ca](http://www.ctaa.ca). For those who do not have access to the internet and/or who wish to have a hard copy, please contact Head Office.

### CUPGA

The Annual Meeting of the Management Committee for the Canadian User Producer Group for Asphalt was held on Wednesday, November 19th, 2014.

The Management Committee Executive for this year is as follows:

<b>Chair</b>	Pamela Marks
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair</b>	Rielle Haichert
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair</b>	Nawaz Panhwer
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Vice Chair</b>	Selena Lavorato
<b>Past Chair</b>	Ryan Clark

### Past Presidents' Lunch

The Association hosted the 21st 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.

*This year's luncheon was attended by:*  
 Bob Forfyflow, Ken Fyvie, Dave Pal-sat, Chuck McMillan, Gerry Huber, Keith MacInnis, Keith Davidson, Art Johnston, Elaine Thompson, Ania Anthony, Leonnie Kavanagh, and Jean-Martin Croteau.





### Board of Directors 2014 – 2015

**Back Row:** Chuck McMillan (Secretary Treasurer), Ryan Clark, Roman Stefaniw, Art Johnston, Nabil Kamel, René Dufresne, Rielle Haichert, Wade Clouthier, Jason Herring, Stephen Goodman (Editor)

**Front Row:** Robert Forfyflow, Todd Strynadka, Alan Carter, Hugh Donovan, Keith MacInnis

**Absent:** Robert Noble (Secretary Treasurer Emeritus)

### Board of Directors 2014 – 2015

<b>President</b>	Alan Carter
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Vice President</b>	Hugh Donovan
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President</b>	Todd Strynadka
<b>Regional Directors:</b>	
<i>Alberta</i>	Roman Stefaniw
<i>British Columbia</i>	Jason Herring
<i>Prairies Provinces and Territories</i>	Rielle Haichert
<i>Ontario</i>	Nabil Kamel
<i>Québec</i>	René Dufresne
<i>Atlantic</i>	Ryan Clark
<i>LAC Chair 2015</i>	Wade Clouthier
<i>LAC Chair 2016</i>	Art Johnston
<b>Past President</b>	Keith MacInnis
<b>Past Past President</b>	Robert Forfyflow
<b>Appointees:</b>	
<i>Secretary-Treasurer</i>	Chuck McMillan
<i>Secretary-Treasurer Emeritus</i>	Robert Noble
<i>Proceedings Editor/</i>	
<i>Communications Manager</i>	Steve Goodman

### 2015 Committees

<b>Executive</b>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>Alan Carter</b> Bob Forfyflow Hugh Donovan Keith MacInnis Todd Strynadka Chuck McMillan
<b>Conference Program for 2015</b>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>Hugh Donovan</b> Todd Strynadka Regional Directors
<b>Membership</b>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>Rielle Haichert</b>
<b>Education &amp; Training</b>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>Roman Stefaniw</b> Regional Directors
<b><i>Textbook</i></b>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>Alan Carter</b> Hugh Donovan Keith MacInnis
<b>By-Laws</b>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>Bob Forfyflow</b>
<b>Nominating</b>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>Keith MacInnis</b> Bob Forfyflow Hugh Donovan
<b>Scholarship</b>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>René Dufresne</b> Regional Directors
<b>CUPGA Liaison</b>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>Todd Strynadka</b>
<b>Marketing</b>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>Ryan Clark</b> Jason Herring

## Annual Membership Dues

We wish to remind those that paid the non-member fee to attend the Conference in Winnipeg ***only paid fees for membership*** in the Association for the year **2014** and dues are now payable for **2015**.

Invoices for 2015 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 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.

For those who paid 2014 dues they may [pay online](#) or login to the "Members Only Page" of the web site and click on the "Renew Membership" link.

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## CTAA'S SCHOLARSHIPS

### Available CTAA Scholarships

Provided qualified applications are received, the CTAA in 2015 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 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.

**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 aware of 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.**

## 2015 Annual Conference - Ottawa, Ontario

The 2015 Conference, co-chaired by Wade Clouthier and Russ Perry, will be held at Fairmont Chateau Laurier in Ottawa, Ontario from Sunday, November 15 to Wednesday, November 18. Room rates have been set at \$199 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.

For the last two years the format was changed slightly to include the 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 Ottawa conference.

The training session is scheduled for Sunday morning as a separate registration on the Conference registration form.

The fee for CUPGA is included in the conference registration fee.

The Welcome Reception on Sunday night will be held at the Canadian War Museum. This national museum presents Canada's military past and how it shaped the country. Its outstanding exhibitions explain Canada's rich military history from earliest times to the present, featuring the experiences of people on the battlefields and at home.

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, 2015, so be sure to register early.**

### Annual Membership Dues (cont'd from page 4)

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.

All 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, 2015** will be placed on the delinquent list and their names will not appear in the **2015** copy of the **Proceedings**.

*Visa, MasterCard and now American Express* are the 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.

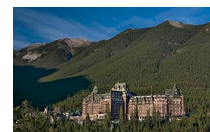
As a reminder, to access the "Members Only" section of the site, your user name is now your member number and your password is your last name. Both are case sensitive and should be entered as they appear on your invoice or your membership card which you will receive with your 2015 receipt for dues paid. 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.

### Future Conferences

**2016** Banff, Alberta at the Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel

(picture courtesy of Wikipedia's entry for the Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel)



**2017** negotiations in progress.

### FINANCE

The financial report for the period of July 1/13 to June 30/14 prepared by our accountants Collins Barrow Victoria Ltd. 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	2014	2013
Annual Conference	281,323	373,591
Dues	123,420	133,330
Other	<u>10,474</u>	<u>12,923</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>415,217</b>	<b>519,853</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Annual Conference	204,322	315,688
Miscellaneous	23,945	20,531
Support Services	50,682	45,413
Board of Directors	14,047	11,804
Office	31,202	20,382
Proceedings	<u>42,021</u>	<u>45,166</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>366,219</b>	<b>458,984</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>48,998</b>	<b>60,869</b>
<b>Member Equity</b>		
Beginning of year	541,185	480,316
End of year	590,183	541,185

## Earl Kee and Norman E. McLeod Awards

The **2013** winners of the **Earl Kee** and **Norman E. McLeod Awards** were Bryan Palsat and Amma Wakefield, respectively.



**Earl Kee**

Bryan Palsat with President  
Keith MacInnis



**Norman E. McLeod**

Amma Wakefield with President  
Keith MacInnis

## 2014 Elaine Thompson Award

The **2014** winners of the Elaine Thompson Award for the best prepared paper were Sallie Houston, Gary Houston, Diana Podborochynski, Rielle Haichert and Curtis Berthelot for the paper entitled "**Feasibility Study of Performance Grading Particulate Asphalt Rubber Binders**".

*Photo: Gary Houston, Diana Podborochynski, Elaine Thompson, Rielle Haichert and Steve Goodman (ECM)*

## CONFERENCE PHOTO GALLERY

### Accompanying Guest Program



### Sunday's Welcome Reception and Tuesday's Banquet Reception



The CTAA Conference is always a place to meet old friends, make new ones and to generally just have a good time all while learning about new technology from some of the world's leading experts.

**Plan to join us next year in OTTAWA at the Chateau Laurier—Nov. 15-18!**



### MISSED THE 2014 CONFERENCE?

Be sure to attend the 2015 conference in Ottawa at the historic Chateau Laurier, November 15 to 18, 2015.