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President's Message

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Participating on the Board of Directors of NSUPA is an excellent opportunity to meet with other members of our industry. As a board member, you are able to use your knowledge and experience to promote the effectiveness and efficiency of the asphalt industry. Email - info@nsupa.ca to find out more.

As your current President of NSUPA, I want to wish everyone a Happy New Year and a successful 2020 Construction Season. The asphalt industry remained strong in 2019. All indications show that 2020 will be another good year throughout all levels of government and private sectors.



In addition to the regular funding, some exciting projects will be announced in 2020. The successful proponent of Highway 104, is expected to be announced in February. On a Municipal level, the Cogswell Interchange and Windsor Street Exchange work will be paving the way to the future of Halifax. These types of projects will be great for the industry and innovations throughout Nova Scotia.

The NSUPA Board had another busy year hosting several industry events. The Asphalt Technology Workshop was held at the NSCC Waterfront Campus. Once again, it was a sold-out course where 26 industry people took part to broaden their knowledge of asphalt paving. Special thanks to Matt Jobb and all the presenters for making this a great event for the industry. This year's course will take place February 26th and 27th. Registration is currently open.

The association also hosted the 12th Annual AGM and Spring Seminar at

Delta Dartmouth and Cineplex Dartmouth Crossing. The seminar had over 200 registered attendees participating in a day of presentations and networking. This year, the seminar will be returning to the Dartmouth Cineplex on Thursday, April 16, 2020. Vice-president, Matt Jobb has a great lineup with some new speakers to the event. Registration and event lineup will be out in the near future.

In addition to the Workshop and the Seminar. NSUPA hosted the 8th Annual Co-Ed Softball Tournament, and the 4th Annual Golf Tournament. Be sure to read the newsletter to find out more about these great events. Thank you to all the Board Members that make these events happen.

I would like to thank the NSUPA Board for their continued support and thanks to our member companies and individuals who help make our association a success. Best wishes for a prosperous 2020.

Graham Clark
President, NSUPA

NSUPA's Annual Introduction to Asphalt Technology Workshop

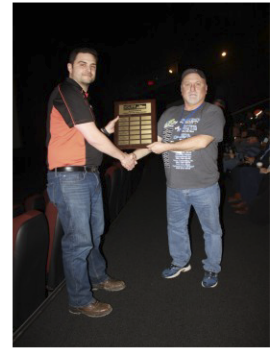
Registration is currently open for the NSUPA's Annual Introduction to Asphalt Technology Workshop which will be held on February 26-27 at the NSCC Ivany (Waterfront) Campus, Dartmouth, NS. The workshop gives employers a chance to allow their employees to upgrade their current knowledge of the paving industry or for new employees to gain valuable insight into the industry. Producers, Contractors, Project Managers and Estimators, Inspection and Testing Personnel, Material Suppliers, Consultants, Government employees and others will benefit from this workshop. In addition, the workshop will include a series of laboratory testing demonstrations. This year's workshop agenda is detailed below.

The campus has limited parking for visitors at marked meters. You can reach the campus by Metro Transit Bus, including the Woodside Ferry from Downtown Halifax. Accommodations can be found at www.novascotia.com

Wednesday February 26, 2020		Thursday February 27, 2020	
8:30	Welcome and Introduction Ed Surette (HRM) Graham Clark (NSUPA President) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introductions • Review course outline/schedule • Safety • About the NSUPA 	8:30	Asphaltic Concrete Peter Salah (EnGlobe Corp.) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asphalt Mix Types • Mix Design Methods
9:00	The Paving Industry Lewis O'Toole <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • History • Fundamentals of a Good Road • Asphalt Pavement Distress Types and Causes • Current Rehabilitation Methods 	9:30	Plant Operation Pat Rooney (Municipal Group of Companies) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plant Types • Cold Feed • Drying and Mixing • Loading • Troubleshooting
10:00	Break (10:00 – 10:30)	10:30	Break (10:30 – 11:00)
10:30	Materials Used in Construction Lewis O'Toole <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asphalt Binder Properties • Aggregate Quality 	11:00	The Paving Process (Part 1) Jesse Henwood (Miller Group) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paving Equipment • Pre-paving Considerations • Material Delivery • Laydown/Compaction Process • Quality/Troubleshooting
12:00	Lunch (12:00 – 12:30)	12:00	Lunch (12:00 – 12:30)
12:30	Aggregate Production Scott King (Rocky Lake Quarry) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Types of Crushers • Pre-blast Survey • Aggregate Feed • Stockpiling • Troubleshooting 	12:30	The Paving Process (Part 2) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ... continued
			Pavement Quality Measurement (Part 1) Eric Theriault (Stantec) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Site Inspection • Sampling Methodologies • Lab Analysis • Data Interpretation • Specifications and Payment
1:45	Break (1:45 – 2:15)	2:30	Break (2:30 – 3:00)
2:15	Laboratory Demonstrations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nuclear Densometer • Asphalt Core • HMA Binder Content • Asphalt Properties 		Pavement Quality Measurement (Part 2) Eric Theriault (Stantec) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ... continued

NSUPA's Annual Blair Morrow Paver of the Year Award

At the NSUPA Seminar in April 2019, Aberdeen Paving Limited (Crew Foreman – Brian MacIsaac) were presented with the 2018 Blair Morrow Paver of the Year Award. This was the second win for Brian's Crew as they previously won the award in 2016. They are the first repeat winner since the awards inception. The award is presented at the NSUPA Seminar every April to an asphalt crew in the province based on a point scoring system. Crews are evaluated on factors including knowledge, planning, workmanship, communication and overall quality of paving. All projects completed in the province are eligible, whether agency or private paving. Submissions for the 2019 Blair Morrow Paver of the Year award closed on January 31, 2020 and the 2019 winner will be announced at the Seminar on April 16th, 2020. Good luck to all the crews!



NSUPA's Annual Scholarship Recipients



Each year, NSUPA gives out two scholarship awards to Nova Scotia Community College first year Civil Engineering Technology students. The students chosen by NSCC received high marks in their asphalt course and incorporated asphalt concrete into their first-year project. The recipients of the 6th annual NSUPA Scholarship awards were Adam Van Rossum and Andrew Phillips. Congratulations to both! Pictured to the left is Adam Van Rossum accepting his award.

NSUPA's 13th Annual Spring Seminar

The Nova Scotia Asphalt User Producer Association is pleased to be hosting our 13th Annual Spring Seminar on April 16, 2020, at the Cineplex Theatres in Dartmouth, NS. The NSUPA board of directors have been working hard preparing for this event and are planning several presentations and discussions on current trends and topics within the asphalt industry. The detailed seminar agenda and registration information will follow in the coming weeks. Accommodation information will be included within the seminar registration package. If your organization would like to sponsor this event, please contact any member of our Board of Directors for details on our Platinum, Gold, Silver and Bronze corporate sponsorships.

Need Hotel Reservations for the Annual Seminar?

The hotel location for the 2020 AGM has changed. It will be held at the Courtyard by Marriott Dartmouth Crossing, 35 Shubie Drive, Dartmouth NS, B3B 04N. Delegates can book online by pressing "control + click" on the following: [Book your group rate for NSUPA AGM](#) to make a reservation, or go to our website at www.nsupa.ca and follow the link from there. The Courtyard by Marriott has blocked rooms for the seminar for pre-booking before March 16, 2020, after which time rooms will be subject to availability. The Courtyard by Marriott is pleased to offer a guestroom rate for the conference of \$149.00 + taxes.



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NSUPA's Annual Intro to Asphalt Technology Workshop

Below are a few pictures from our highly popular Introduction to Asphalt Technology Workshop. This workshop is held every year in late February at the NSCC Ivany Campus in Dartmouth. It includes both theory and laboratory demonstrations. Details for this year's course are on the following page. Registration is very limited so we encourage you to register immediately if you're looking to attend.



NSUPA's 8th Annual Co-Ed Softball Tournament

The 8th annual NSUPA Co-ed Softball tournament was held June 15 at the Eddie LeBlanc Memorial Ball Field with a total of four teams and nearly 40 participants enjoying the event. We plan to build on our 2019 success and hold the event again in June 2020 at the Eddie LeBlanc Memorial Ball Field. The exact date will be announced at the NSUPA Seminar in April. NSUPA's annual co-ed slow pitch tournament is open to all industry members and offers a day of softball, food, refreshments and of course fun. The cost is \$10 and is payable at the field on game day, with proceeds of the tournament donated to The Alzheimer Society of NS. Thank you to our 2019 Team Captains - Julie Keough, Graham Clark, Yuri Power and Ed Surette. They helped keep the teams organized and helped with a successful day. Also, a big thank you to Molson Coors for sponsoring the event. The 2019 Champions were Team Red captained by Julie Keough. Congratulations!



NSUPA's 4th Annual Golf Tournament

The 4th Annual NSUPA Golf Tournament was held September 12 at the Amherst Golf Club. There were three teams that participated this year led by team captains Stephen Hill, William Costin, and Graham Clark. Awards were handed out to Matt Jobb for longest drive and to Sean O'Connor for closest to the hole. The winning team consisted of Graham Clark, Matt Jobb and Chris Lynds, who were able to hold off the fierce competition of the local favorites by one stroke. Many laughs and stories were shared over a nice steak dinner put on by the Amherst Golf Club. NSUPA greatly appreciated the hard work the Amherst Golf Club put in to repairing the course from storm Dorian before the event. We are excited to announce the event has already been booked again for next year and we are looking at extending our invite with more details to come.