



THE VOICE

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PRODUCED BY THE BC ROAD BUILDERS & HEAVY CONSTRUCTION ASSOCIATION FOR ITS MEMBERS AND INDUSTRY PARTNERS

EVENTS CALENDAR

CCA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

March 19-23, 2017
Barcelo Maya Palace Deluxe,
Riviera Maya, Mexico

ANNUAL IVAN HANCHARD CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

May 5, 2017
Northview Golf & Country Club,
Surrey

FALL CONFERENCE

September 17-19, 2017
Delta Hotels by Marriott Grand
Okanagan Resort, Kelowna

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & WINTER CELEBRATIONS

December 7-9, 2017
The Fairmont Empress, Victoria

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Save the date! BC Road Builders' Annual Ivan Hanchard Charity Golf Tournament taking place on May 5th

Remember to mark your calendars and start planning your teams for the BC Road Builders' 48th Annual Ivan Hanchard Charity Golf Tournament taking place on Friday, May 5th at Northview Golf and Country Club in Surrey.

The registration package for the tournament will be available by mid-March, and **this event sells out so do not delay in getting your registration forms in!** A few important things to remember:

- Registrations and sponsorships are taken on a first come, first served basis
- You are encouraged to get in touch with other members you wish to golf with to confirm their availability before you list them on your team
- Please plan to sponsor a hole(s) or donate a fantastic prize for the charity silent auction taking place during dinner

This year, we will once again be raising money for two great causes, BC Children's Hospital and the Association's Betty Spalton Scholarship Fund. Over the last fifteen years, we have donated

over \$400,000 to the BC Children's Hospital to purchase new equipment and aid with the hospital expansion campaign. In addition, the Association raises funds to award up to two scholarships each year to individuals pursuing educations that will lead to careers in the road building and heavy construction industries.

There are once again opportunities to sponsor holes/contests. Members are encouraged to get creative and think of unique silent auction items. For example, offer a gift certificate towards a service your company provides, or pick up cool electronics, gadgets or other items you would love to get (no corporate apparel please).





Biggest and best turnout at this year's AGM and 50th Anniversary Celebrations!

The BC Road Builders and Heavy Construction Association held its Annual General Meeting (AGM) and 50th Anniversary Celebrations from December 1 to 3 at the Fairmont Empress and Victoria Conference Centre.

The conference had the best ever turnout with over 700 registered participants including members and partners from government and other associations.

As always, the AGM Conference events, including the Leaders' Luncheon, Grand Reception at the Royal BC Museum, AGM, Deputy Minister's Contractor Awards Luncheon, 50th Golden Anniversary Gala Dinner and Dance and Champagne Breakfast were all very well-attended events that provided great networking opportunities for members and industry partners.

SOME NOTABLE HIGHLIGHTS:

Thursday, December 1

- Leaders' Luncheon included a keynote address from Premier **Christy Clark**; **Premier Clark** presented outgoing association President **Jack Davidson** with a special Deputy Minister's Award of Excellence Legacy Award in recognition of his hard work and service to British Columbians.
- Construction and Maintenance Sector Meetings were well-attended; The Construction Sector welcomed to the board **Paul Simpson and Collin Blonarowitz**; The Maintenance Sector welcomed new sector Chair **Dan Beaulac**; The new Service and Supply Sector Chair is **Nikki Keith** (see Getting to Know You Profiles on page 6).
- Special thanks to outgoing directors **William Hoban** (Construction Director), **Jason Sherwood** (Service & Supply Sector Chair) and **Réal Charrois** (Maintenance Sector Chair).
- Member partners had a great time exploring the *Twelve Days of Christmas* displays and indulging in high tea at the Butchart Gardens.
- At this year's Grand Reception at the Royal BC Museum, delegates were able to network and also check out the special *Mammoths! Giants of the Ice Age* exhibit.

Friday, December 2

- Delegates started the day at the Construction Safety Breakfast followed by the Association's 50th Annual General Meeting where the membership bestowed outgoing President **Jack Davidson** and his wife **Marilyn Davidson** with honorary lifetime memberships.
- Member partners had a unique opportunity to participate in a cooking demonstration and competition learning how to make Tarte au Chocolat with Fairmont Pastry Chef **AJ Thalakkat**.
- The Service and Supply Sector welcomed **Chris Moore** from McLean & Armstrong LLP to its executive committee as Secretary.
- Members were recognized by the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure at this year's Deputy Minister's Contractor of the Year Awards Luncheon (see list on page 3).
- The 50th Golden Anniversary Gala Banquet Dinner and Dance lived up to its grand reputation and was a fun evening with great surprises (including special 50th anniversary ornaments for the ladies and scarves for the gentlemen); special retirement and honorary member presentations were made to **Jack and Marilyn Davidson** and presentations were made to outgoing Chair **Chad Tenney** and incoming Chair **Steve Drummond**.

Saturday, December 3

- The conference concluded with the fantastic Champagne Brunch.

Thank you to all of our members and partners who sponsored elements of the conference, and to all delegates for participating and taking the time to celebrate the Association's 50th anniversary!

SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR 2016 AGM CONFERENCE SPONSORS

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 WINVAN PAVING
 YELLOWHEAD ROAD & BRIDGE



BC Road Builders' History Book and Transportation Infrastructure Magazine are available now!

The BC Road Builders proudly released its history book during the AGM and 50th Anniversary Celebrations in December. The book entitled, *Fifty Years of Building BC – A Proud History of the BC Road Builders and Heavy Construction Association*, highlights the storied history of the Association from how it first formed, to how it progressed into the great organization it is today.

It includes a lot of pictures of important people in the Association's history along with the spectacular infrastructure projects our members have been involved in and we hope you enjoy it. The books are available for order through the Association's website now.

The BC Road Builders also worked hard to produce a new *Transportation Infrastructure in BC* magazine which highlights the importance of continued investment in transportation infrastructure across BC. The magazine is being sent to all members, association partners, government representatives and MLAs. Thank you to all members who placed ads in this special publication.



CONTRACTOR OF THE YEAR AWARD WINNERS

The Deputy Minister's Contractor of the Year Awards recognizes excellence in the delivery of transportation infrastructure projects. Transportation contractors make seismic upgrades to keep roads safe, build relationships with local communities to minimize traffic flow disruption during construction, respond to emergency situations and work within short construction windows and sometimes adverse conditions to ensure our roads and bridges are safe and reliable.

AWARD FOR PAVING

Winner

Adventure Paving – A Division of YCS Holdings Ltd.

Award of Excellence 2016 in Recognition of Excellence in Paving for Tuck Inlet Road Paving

Honourable Mentions

Interoute Construction Ltd. DBA Selkirk Paving

Honourable Mention 2016 in Recognition of Excellence in Paving for Hwy 6 Burton to Fauquier and Local Area Side Roads

Lafarge Canada Inc.

Honourable Mention 2016 in Recognition of Excellence in Paving for Asphalt Resurfacing – H10, H15, H91, H99 – Lower Mainland Area

AWARD FOR GRADING

Winner

MRC Total Build Limited Partnership

Award of Excellence 2016 in Recognition of Excellence in Grading for Stanley Park Causeway Pedestrian and Cycling Safety Improvements

Honourable Mentions

Tybo Contracting Ltd.

Honourable Mention 2016 in Recognition of Excellence in Grading for Malakwa Bridge

Jakes Construction Ltd. of Chilliwack

Honourable Mention 2016 in Recognition of Excellence in Grading for Dragon Lake Rd to Quartz Rd Four Laning

AWARD FOR BRIDGES & STRUCTURES

Winner

Ardy Rigging Ltd.

Award of Excellence 2016 in Recognition of Excellence in Bridges and Structures for Hagwilget Bridge Rehabilitation

Honourable Mentions

Eurovia BC

Honourable Mention 2016 in Recognition of Excellence in Bridges and Structures for Bertrand Creek Bridge Replacement

Surespan Construction

Honourable Mention 2016 in Recognition of Excellence in Bridges and Structures for Hudson Hope Bridge Post-Tensioning Strand Rehabilitation

AWARD FOR ROAD & BRIDGE MAINTENANCE

Winner

Yellowhead Road and Bridge (North Peace) Ltd.

Award of Excellence 2016 in Recognition of Excellence in Road and Bridge Maintenance for Area 22 - North Peace (Fort St. John)

Honourable Mention

Mainroad South Island Contracting Limited Partnership (LP)

Honourable Mention 2016 in Recognition of Excellence in Road and Bridge Maintenance for Service Area 1 - South Island (Victoria)

AWARD FOR SAFETY INNOVATION

Winner

Mainroad Lower Mainland Contracting Ltd.

Award of Excellence 2016 in Recognition of Excellence in Safety Innovation for High Speed Traffic Control Training

Honourable Mention

JPW Road and Bridge Inc.

Honourable Mention 2016 in Recognition of Excellence in Bridges and Structures for Portable Vacuum Hole Excavator

AWARD FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE

Winner

Emcon Services Ltd.

Award of Excellence 2016 in Recognition of Community Service



The 2017 Strategic Work Plan is available now and will be sent to all MLAs, MPs and municipalities this spring.

Kelly Scott has been appointed president after spending the last year as vice president. Kelly is well known to the industry in Western Canada. He has held senior leadership positions in the heavy equipment industry throughout Western Canada and the UK over the past 35 years.



The BC Road Builders and Heavy Construction Association is now accepting applications for 2017. Please encourage any of your employees, family or friends who may be eligible to find out more about the Betty Spalton Scholarship Program (information is on our website at www.roadbuilders.bc.ca/education_fund.php).

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2016 AGM Conference



Members, MLAs and industry partners network at the Leaders' Luncheon.



Premier Clark addresses attendees at the Leaders' Luncheon.



This year's Grand Reception was at capacity!



Special presentations were made to the existing founding members of the BC Road Builders at the 2016 AGM.



It was a full house at the Deputy Minister's Contractor of the Year Awards Luncheon.



This year's Gala Dinner and Dance celebrated the BC Road Builders' 50th Golden Anniversary.



A special presentation was made to Jack and Marilyn Davidson.



2017 Chair Steve Drummond presented outgoing Chair Chad Tenney with the BC Road Builders' Past Chair gold pin.



The conference concluded with the popular Champagne Brunch.



GETTING TO KNOW YOU

BCRB DIRECTOR PROFILES

For this issue, we are pleased to introduce you to the new faces on the 2017 board of directors. If you would like to have your company profiled in a future issue, please contact Parveen Parhar (parveen@roadbuilders.bc.ca).



Dan Beaulac - Nechako Group of Companies
www.nechako-northcoast.com

What are the principle activities of your company?

Road and Bridge Maintenance and Construction; Municipal Construction.

What is your role with the company?

I am General Manager of Operations for Nechako and Billabong Road Maintenance.

What is your favourite thing about working there?

Every day brings new and different challenges; never gets to be mundane.

Why are you excited about joining the BC Road Builders' board of directors? What do you hope to accomplish?

I am excited to learn how the board functions, what it really does and contribute to its ongoing success.



Collin Blonarowitz - Emil Anderson Construction
www.eac.bc.ca

What are the principle activities of your company?

Heavy civil, paving, mining, railway, maintenance, land development and housing.

What is your role with the company?

General Superintendent overseeing project execution, resourcing and scheduling.

What is your favourite thing about working there?

Sense of accomplishment; pride in building BC infrastructure.

Why are you excited about joining the BC Road Builders' board of directors? What do you hope to accomplish?

Being part of a long-term BC wide institution influencing change to the industry.



Nikki C. Keith, CAIB - Wilson M. Beck Insurance Services
www.wmbeck.com

What are the principle activities of your company?

Providing bonds, general insurance and risk management to the various construction industries, as well as other industries.

What is your role with the company?

Partner; manage a book of business; client/corporate/association relationships.

What is your favourite thing about working there?

Building and maintaining client relationships; problem solving; learning industry issues and how

they relate to insurance and risk management.

Why are you excited about joining the BC Road Builders' board of directors?

I've been involved with the BC Road Builders for most of the 21 years working at Wilson M. Beck Insurance. Many of our clients are members of the Association so working within a board position will help me bring forward issues that we see with respect to insurance and bonding. It will also improve my understanding of the issues from the contractor's perspective allowing us to better assist our clients and keep the insurance and bond rates down and provide better risk management practices.

What do you hope to accomplish?

I hope to help the Association grow the membership; assist in resolving industry issues (such as working on ICBC issues and risk management); improve my knowledge of the industry; and continue to build and grow relationships within the industry.



Paul Simpson - Jacob Bros. Construction
www.jacobbros.ca

What are the principle activities of your company?

Jacob Bros. Construction is a multi-disciplined general contractor with primary business focus on civil construction and building construction.

What is your role with the company?

Internal Operations Manager

What is your favourite thing about working there?

Diversity, continual learning and never a dull moment.

Why are you excited about joining the BC Road Builders' board of directors? What do you hope to accomplish?

As a past board member, I am aware of the significant contribution the BC Road Builders makes to our industry and I am excited and appreciate to once again be given the opportunity to participate as a board member. I am looking forward to being a part of the team that enables the BC Road Builders to set and achieve their strategic goals and objectives.