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for the latest of happenings at WWNS, read on....

**Waste Water Nova Scotia's
SEPTIC PUMPING EXPO & ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

SEPTIC PUMPER EXPO – Friday, April 08

Agridome, located on the Provincial Exhibition Grounds in Truro

WWNS will be holding a Septic Pumping Expo at the **Agridome** located on the Provincial Exhibition Grounds in Truro (3km from the Best Western Glengarry). The Agridome is a large facility which will accommodate both presentations and a trade show (including trucks and equipment) inside the same building. There will be educational presentations and demonstrations of interest to Septic Pumpers, Portable Restroom Operators, Bed Flushers and others in the on-site industry. Newly developed training for Septic Pumpers will be reviewed.

Displays open at 8:00am with presentations beginning at 9:30am.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – Saturday April 09

Best Western Glengarry, 150 Willow Street, Truro

The Annual General Meeting will be a busy day again this year. Displays and registration will open at 8 am and the meeting called to order at 9:00 am with the introduction of your Board of Directors and the trade show exhibitors.

There will be a number of presentations, the annual business meeting of **Waste Water Nova Scotia Society**, product displays from new and returning exhibitors and a delicious buffet lunch (ticket included with your pre-registration).

We hope to have you on your way home no later than 3:00 pm.

Attendance is worth **10 Professional Developments Points**. If you have not already paid your 2016 WWNS membership dues, you may do so either day.

Registration desk and displays open at 8:00am on both days

REGISTRATION

Pre-registration is necessary to make sure that everyone has a seat and a hot meal! The registration fee for both days is only \$10.00 per person, which includes lunch. **Please complete the enclosed registration form and return it** along with payment to WWNS **prior to March 28**.

PARKING

Due to the large attendance at the Annual General Meeting, parking spaces fill up early around the Best Western Glengarry. To help with the congestion, there will be off-site parking nearby (5 minutes) at Cinaplex / Studio 7 in the Power Center located at exit 13A off Highway 102 (see map). A shuttle bus will provide transportation between the parking area and the Best Western Glengarry (**Saturday, April 09 only**).

The shuttle will run all day, leaving the Power Centre at 7:45 am, 8:15am, 8:45am, 9:15am, 9:45am and 10:15am. After the 10:15 run, the shuttle will remain at the Best Western Glengarry and be available for those who want to return to their vehicles. There will be no charge for the shuttle.



DISPLAY SPONSORS

- ***Atlantic Cat** – Dale Ellsworth, Kevin Halfpenny, Mike Harlow
- ***Atlantic Purification Systems Ltd** – K. Reardon, K. O’Leary, S. Dery, M. MacDonald
- ***Bell & Grant / Fraser & Hoyt**– Tom Baker, Tony Conway
- ***Central Equipment Inc** – Ron Kennedy
- ***Fralick Financial & Insurance Inc** – Mike Fralick, Vineeta Fralick
- ***Halifax C&D Recycling Ltd** – Robert Anderson, Jim Simmons, Gary Hines
- ***Infiltrator Water Technologies** – Don Krauss
- ***Island Water Technologies** – Dr. P Keily, J Taran, J Ambler, M Deighan, N Phelan
- ***MacLennan Sales** – Shawn Dowling, Kyle Gracie, Daryl McLennan, Pat Mulhall
- ***Nova International** – Brett Mosher, Forrest Lothian
- ***Nova Scotia Environment** – Steve Conway, Leah Boutilier, Jason Power
- ***Polyjohn Canada Inc** – Pat Desmond, Jake Groen, Shane Sears
- ***Shaw Precast Solutions** - Alden Faulkner
- ***Trident Pump & Filtration** – Joe Chabassol, Andrew Crawshaw, Ben Rudderham
- ***Urquhart-MacDonald & Associates** – J Urquhart, M MacDonald, S Urquhart, B Marr, D Fitch

FRIEND OF THE INDUSTRY AWARD

For the past number of years, the members of WWNS have recognized one of their peers with the Friend of the Industry Award. The award is presented to a deserving individual who has contributed to the Industry by his/her professional conduct and/or work ethic. If you would like to nominate someone for this award, please forward his/her name and a brief write-up as to why you think he/she should be considered, to WWNS.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors for WWNS is a very dedicated group of people volunteering their time so that our province may be a more environmentally friendly area in regards to on-site services and to ensure our families continue to live, work and play in a clean environment. Your current Board of Directors are **Steve Williams**, Chair; **Gary Hines**, 1st Vice, Halifax, Hants; **Tom Curry**, CB Island, Guysborough, Antigonish; **Eric Morse**, Kings, Annapolis; **Andre Veinotte**, Shelburne, Queens, Lunenburg; **Jonathan Lepper**, Cumberland, Colchester and Pictou; **Steve Meuse**, Digby, Yarmouth and **Allan Baird and Darrell MacKenzie**, representing the Septic Tank Cleaners and Portable Restroom Operators for the province.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Nominations will be accepted in advance, in writing or from the floor, for anyone wishing to let their name stand for a position on the Board of Directors for WWNS. If you wish to nominate someone in advance, please fax or email their name and county to Gary's attention at 902-246-2130.

PRODUCT INFORMATION SESSION

Clear Pod, Waterloo-Biofilter and Infiltrator Systems will be hosting a product information session in the evening on Friday, April 08. To register for this free session or for more information, contact Matthew Collins at matthew@essecanada.com or 902-527-7215.

UPDATE FROM NOVA SCOTIA ENVIRONMENT

Thanks to everyone who participated in the regional meetings to date, a friendly reminder to review the handouts that were provided. The NSE presentation on the coming changes is now available in the "Resources" section of the WWNS website.

Revised regulations including the use of notifications and the new on-site sewage Standard will come into effect on May 1, 2016. Please stay tuned for updates to the NSE website including new forms as May 1 approaches.

Updated messages: Development of a new best practices document will be delayed until the summer of 2016 and therefore the additional technical training session for QPs and professional engineers will also be delayed until the best practices document is complete. There will be opportunities to provide feedback during the development of the best practices document, so please check your email and WWNS's website for more information.

Leah Boutilier, On-Site Services Coordinator

ON-SITE SYSTEM INSPECTION TRAINING

There will be an on-site system inspection training course offered at the Agridome in Truro on Friday April 08 from 9am – 5pm. The training will be provided by ESSE Canada at a cost of \$250 per person. To register, please contact Gary at the WWNS office: 902-246-2131 or wastewaterns@eastlink.ca

INSTALLER TRAINING

WWNS is accepting registration for two Installer training courses. The first course will be held on March 9th – 11th (registration deadline February 26) and the second course, if there is enough demand, will be April 18th – 20th (registration deadline April 1st). If you are interested in this training, please contact the office of WWNS for details.

WWNS WEBSITE

The WWNS website has had a major makeover this year and changes continue to be made. When everything is done, we hope the site will have a fresh look and be easier to navigate. Please take a moment to check out the new site and review your contact information and professional development points to ensure that everything appears correct.

INDIVIDUAL MEMBER WEBPAGE

As a member of WWNS, you are now able to create your own webpage which will be linked to your contact information on the WWNS website to provide more details about your business and the services you offer. The login address is: <http://wwns.ca/members/login.php>

To login, you will be asked to provide your member number which is the 5 digit member id # (Mbr Id) on your **2016** membership receipt and a password which is your last name. Login, fill in the information, and click the **UPDATE** button to activate your page.

INSTALLER / OP REGIONAL MEETINGS

WWNS has completed 10 of 14 regional meetings across the province for QP's and Installers. Changes to the on-site sewage program which will come into effect as of May 1st were presented – including a **new set of Regulations**, the **Standard** which will replace the current Technical Guidelines and the **implementation of Notification**. Leah Boutilier's presentation on the changes is available on the WWNS website.

SEPTIC PUMPER / PORTABLE RESTROOM OPERATOR REGIONAL MEETINGS

Regional meetings for Septic Pumpers & Portable Restroom Operators were not held this year. Those with a Septic Pumper or Portable Restroom Operator designation will be credited with the 15 PDP points normally associated with the regional meetings. WWNS will be holding the Septic Pumping Expo instead and hope everyone will have the opportunity to attend.

SPRING IDEAL HOME SHOW

As part of our continuing public education, Waste Water Nova Scotia will once again have a booth at the Ideal Home Show, April 01 to 03 at Exhibition Park, in Halifax. This is a great opportunity to meet home owners and discuss the importance of a properly installed and maintained on-site sewage system. If you are interested in staffing the booth and helping to educate the public, please contact the WWNS office.

ON-SITE SEWAGE PROGRAM TIDBITS

- Waste Water Nova Scotia has a new email address wastewatnrs@eastlink.ca and as well as a slight change in our mailing address to include the civic address 60 Kyle Rd.
- 2016 is the beginning of a new 4 year cycle for the Professional Development Program for QPII's, Septic Pumpers, Portable Restroom Operators & Bed Flushers. Those participating in the program will need to accumulate a minimum of 100 PDP points by the end of 2019. Any extra points from the last cycle (2012 -2015) cannot be carried over to the new cycle.
You can check your point totals on-line any time on the WWNS website or contact the office of WWNS.
- For reservations, please contact the Best Western Glengarry at **Phone:** 902-893-4311 or 1-800-567-4276 **Email:** reservations@bwglengarry.com.