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FROM THE CHAIR

On behalf of the membership, I would like to express our gratitude to Gary Cameron for his 15 years of service as Executive Director with Waste Water Nova Scotia. Effective October 1, 2024, Gary has retired from the position as Executive Director to focus on his Onsite Sewage Consulting business.

Gary has a great connection with people and has formed many friendships over the years. He has gone above the call of duty on many occasions for Waste Water Nova Scotia. We thank Gary for his hard work, dedication, and stewardship over the years. We will miss working with Gary but look forward to staying in touch with him at our AGM and Regional meetings.

After a recruitment process this summer, we are pleased to announce that Glenda MacAskill has accepted the position of Executive Director with Waste Water Nova Scotia. Glenda is a member of Waste Water Nova Scotia and brings over 20 years industry and human resource experience to the position. Please join me welcoming Glenda to the new position.

Eric Morse, P. Eng., NSLS

Chair, WWNS

WWNS CONTACT INFORMATION

The new mailing address for WWNS is:

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BURSARY PROGRAM

Waste Water Nova Scotia is pleased to announce the recipients selected for its 2024 Bursary Program. In 2024 Waste Water Nova Scotia sponsored four \$4,000 bursaries to support students who are enrolled in full time post secondary studies.

Congratulats to our four bursary recipients for this year.

Bursary recipient Bryden Cameron of Greenwood with Executive Director, Glenda MacAskill. Bryden is enrolled in Engineering at St. FX University



Bursary recipient Chris Logan of Parrsboro. Chris is enrolled in Business Administration Program at NSCC.



Bursary recipient Mya McFadgen of Glace Bay. Mya is enrolled in Engineering at Cape Breton University



Bursary recipient Austin Smith of Windsor. Austin is enrolled in Plumbing at NSCC



TRAINING UPDATE

In 2024 a total of 117 participants attended training courses instructed by Peter Berrigan P.Eng. From May to September there were five installer courses and one Qualified Person course held in Truro. Waste Water Nova Scotia is seeing an increase each year in the number of applicants for the Installer training course. Once completing the training and exam, participants can apply with Nova Scotia Environment and Climate Change to complete their licensing requirements. If you have any questions regarding the process, or would like your name on a waitlist for future training please contact the Waste Water Nova Scotia office.

WWNS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Your current Waste Water Nova Society Board of Directors are:

Eric Morse, Chair, Kings, Annapolis

Derek MacIsaac, 1st Vice, Halifax, Hants

Arthur Backman, Shelburne, Queens, Lunenburg

Tom Curry, Cape Breton Island, Guysborough, Antigonish

Jonathan Lepper, Cumberland, Colchester and Pictou

Steve Meuse, Digby, Yarmouth

David Roy, Halifax, Hants

Mark Jodrey, representing Septic Tank Cleaners, Portable Restroom Operators

The contact information for the Board members can be found in the Contact Us section of the WWNS website should you have any comments.

BOARD VACANCY

Waste Water Nova Scotia is looking to fill a vacancy on the Board for the position representing Septic Tank Cleaners, Portable Restroom Operators. If you are a current member and want to get involved, please send an email to wastewater@eastlink.ca along with your resume by October 25, 2024

PDP CYCLE

The last year in the Professional Development Process (PDP) cycle is 2024 for Qualified Persons and Septic Tank Cleaners, Portable Restroom Operators. The new website will go live in the coming weeks, and you can check your points online. You can also contact the Waste Water Nova Scotia office if you have questions regarding your Professional Development points. Certification renewals are issued by Nova Scotia Environment & Climate Change at the end of each PDP cycle.

Qualified Persons are required to have 100 points by the end of 2024. Septic Tank Cleaners and Portable Restroom Operators are required to have 50 points. These points are generally earned by attending a Regional meeting and the Annual General Meeting as well as being a member of WWNS each year. Membership is 10 points, Regional Meetings are 15 points, Septic Pumper Expo is 10 points, and the AGM is 10 points. If you do not have the required points for this cycle, you can earn additional points by:

Paying membership for a year you have missed during the cycle (2020-2024)

If you missed the following meetings, recordings are available of the 2022 AGM Regional Meeting or 2023 AGM. After viewing the recordings, you must submit the attendance form to be credited with

the associated points. (Insert training attendance form). Training attendance forms for additional points are to be submitted by December 1, 2024.

2022 Annual General Meeting (25 pts)

The meeting was recorded and is available for viewing through the Dropbox link below.

The video may open up with a preview and you will need to download the video to view the entire meeting (approximately 3 hours).

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/87ewmkgp9q4r1v7/Waste%20Water%20Video.mp4?dl=0>

2023 Regional Meeting (15 pts)

Electronic Logging Devices <https://youtu.be/e4-75LM1xFM>

Environment and Climate Change 2023 Regionals <https://youtu.be/CF108BUBUfk>

2023 Annual General Meeting (10 pts)

August BioPro Presentation [https://youtu.be/eayk\]katcfw](https://youtu.be/eayk]katcfw)

Environment and Climate Change https://youtu.be/okml_4hf-qg

Gravity Distribution <https://youtu.be/WHogZEo7uQI>

Wetlands Identification <https://youtu.be/JmPrm5o5FbQ>

Importance of Landscaping <https://youtu.be/RicBUzEgEb4>

C. Submitting any additional training you may have taken during the PDP period to have a point value assigned. This training should be industry related but may include occupational health and safety courses like First Aid, WHMIS, etc.

2024 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

WWNS membership applications for 2024 are still available in the Members section of our website. For membership renewals please include the membership application with your payment so that the payment can be applied to the correct person. (Insert application form)