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# Updates

ADDRESSING ISSUES AND CONCERNNS OF THE  
CANADIAN CONCRETE MASONRY PRODUCERS  
ASSOCIATION

*Several emails will be forwarded to keep members informed of activities and important issues that are occurring. If you have some industry information you wish to share with CCMPA members, please forward it to the CCMPA Office..*

## What is CCMPA doing for you ?

### Upcoming Meetings:

#### CCMPA Members Meeting

November 4th 2015 —9:30am —CMDC Office—360 Superior Blvd. Mississauga, ON

#### CCMPA Christmas Luncheon

12 noon— International Plaza Hotel, Dixon Road,

CCMPA 2015 MID-YEAR MEETING  
MONTREAL, QUEBEC  
August 16th & 17th 2015



The Mid-Year meeting for 2015 took place in Montreal, Quebec prior to the NCMA meeting. This was a good idea as it allowed members to attend both events if desired.

The reason CCMPA had a meeting in Montreal was to encourage potential Quebec producers to consider joining CCMPA. We had our meeting on Monday and had a combination of attendees from NCMA, CCMPA and potential members from the Quebec region.

There were 38 CCMPA members present (2 from BC, 3 from the East Coast), 5 NCMA members and 6 potential Quebec members in attendance.

Sev Samulski TriStar & Gary Belisle Oldcastle Architectural Canada



The guests from Montreal found the meeting informative and especially liked the ad placed across the country and in Quebec papers on August 16th 2015. The history of CCMPA was discussed as was the Levy program and Marketing initiatives undertaken since 2005.

Additional information can be viewed through the presentation given by President Paul Hargest .

## CCMPA Annual General Meeting & Classic Golf Tournament 2015

The Annual General Meeting and John Grimo Cup Golf Tournament will be held on Wednesday, September 16th and Thursday, September 17th at the White Oaks Resort (Niagara-on-the-Lakes) in Ontario.

This year we changed the format of the event. We started the event off on Wednesday afternoon and had the Annual General Meeting at 1pm that afternoon followed by a meet and great reception from 7-9pm.

On Thursday morning, we had presentations by the four cement companies who showcased their companies and anything new to our membership. This was followed by the John Grimo golf tournament at a nearly by course ( less than 12 minutes away from the resort, so issues of travel time will be resolved) called Royal Niagara. There was our closing dinner at the hotel on Thursday evening followed by the fundraising for the two charities we supported, LUSO Canadian Charitable Society & Community of Hearts.

As we have had in the past, we had 18 Hole Sponsorships ( ACM Chemistries, Brampton Brick, Boehmers Block, CMDC, CRH Canada, Day & Cawmpbell, Dixon Gordon, Essroc, Expocrete, SpecMix, Hess, Lafarge, NCMA, Niagara Block, Richvale York, St. Marys Cement, Solomon Colors and Walker Aggregates) to raise money for the two charities. The raffle tickets had a winning prize of an Air Canada certificate for two people (worth \$2500CDN). Thanks to John Hellyer who won and put it back for a live auction.

The Air Canada Certificate prize was sponsored by Santerra StoneCraft, Boehmers Block and CCMPA. There were two other items up for auction, Cobble Beach golf and stay, partially sponsored by Richvale York & CCMPA.

We would also like to thank our other sponsors: Brampton Brick, Century, Essroc Italcemnti, Lafarge, CRH Canada, St. Marys , Blok Lok, Niagara Block, Spec Mix and Permacon.

In terms of attendance, the Annual General Meeting drew 35 people. The golf tournament had 51 players. The dinner drew 44 people.

This year the two charities received cheques for \$3,000.00 each. Thank you to all contributors.

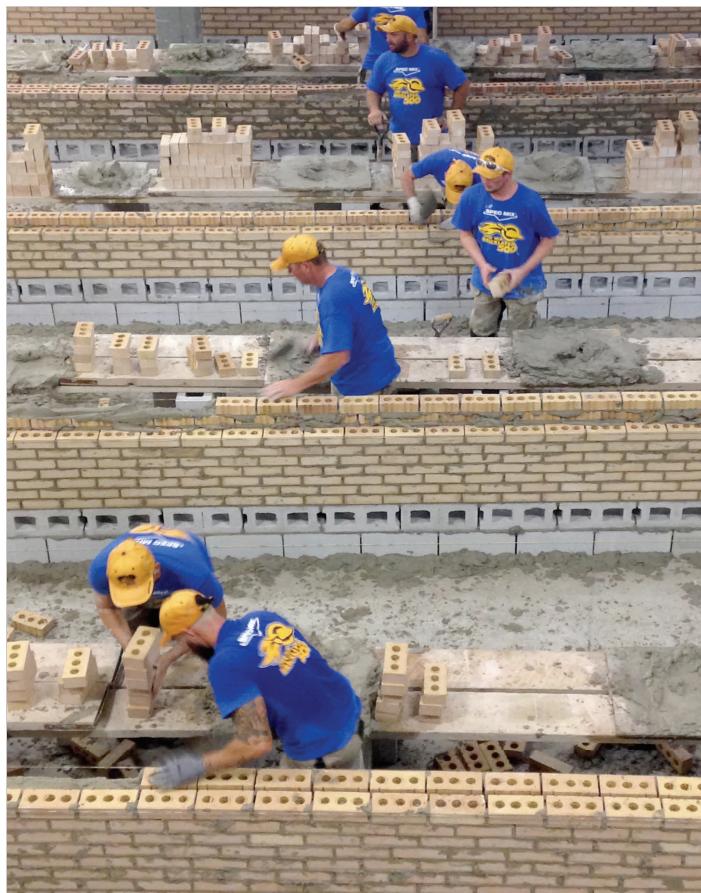
## WATERLOO CAMPUS HOSTS MASONRY COMPETITION

Eighteen teams competed in the challenge, which requires competitors to build a 26 ft. wall. Each team of two includes a bricklayer and a mason tender. The win goes to the team able to lay the most bricks in one hour, but the brick count drops if judges spot poor workmanship. Winners from each regional competition move on to the world championship in Las Vegas next February.

"The event helps the college by promoting the trades and keeping the ties in this industry strong," said faculty member Rene Letoile. "It also helps our students network and meet possible employers while they get a chance to experience the fast-paced work they will do some day." This was Conestoga's eighth year hosting the competition.

Masonry students assisted with the set up and mixed mortar for the competitors. Two students also stepped in to take the place of one team that dropped out the challenge, giving them a chance to experience the pressures of a professional competition. The first place winner laid 618 bricks, just 18 more than the second place finisher.

While judging for the event was underway, a special ceremony was held for licensed masons who attended Conestoga this year for Level 3 apprenticeship training. Each apprentice was presented with a Conestoga branded jacket made available by the Canadian Concrete Masonry Producers Association.



On October 7, the Roofing Skills and Training Centre at Conestoga's Waterloo campus hosted the [\*\*SPEC MIX Bricklayer 500\*\*](#) - an annual industry competition held in 20 regions throughout Canada and the U.S. Conestoga was just one of three Canadian locations to host.

Thanks to Dean Garbutt and Spec Mix.

ONTARIO  
SPEC MIX BRICKLAYER 500  
REGIONAL  
WATERLOO, ON  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2015  
**WINNERS**  
**(Craftsman & Fastest Bricklayer)**  
**Mario Alves & Kevin Avila**  
**A&M Masonry (MCAT Member)**



# RED SEALS



## RED SEAL AT Conestoga College

Skilled Tradespeople obtain a Red Seal Certificate which provides the journeyman with greater mobility across Canada which allows them to practice trade in any province or territory across Canada where the trade is designated. Marina de Souza represented CCMPA at the event.

