

Water



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WELL DRILLERS – WELL DIGGERS – PUMP INSTALLERS – MANUFACTURERS & SUPPLIERS - TECHNICAL

Fall 2024

Who We Are

NSGWA is an Industry Association of five divisions: Well Driller's, Well Digger's, Pump Installers, Manufacturers and Suppliers and Technical. The Board of Director's consists of five volunteers and a Secretary-Treasurer. Our By-Laws, Memorandum of Association and Memorandum of Understanding with NS Environment can be found on our website: <<http://www.nsgwa.ca>>.

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Message from the Chair

Once again fall is here. Seem's like summer went by pretty quickly. Still lots of new construction taking place. The result: lots of wells being drilled and dug and pumps installed.

I'm not sure how long this abundance of work will be around for, but, for the meantime, we will take it and hopefully charge accordingly.

It seems like all construction trades are crying about the same thing: not being able to obtain staff. If you have good staff, you better hold onto them. As everything is going up in price in this economy, make sure your staff wages are too.

This fall meeting will be the last meeting to get points for the year. In other words, this is the year that our 100 points need to be obtained in our 4 year cycle. You can

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also obtain points by certain safety courses, and presentations and seminars based on the Groundwater industry. Your points can be viewed online on the NSGWA website. Please do not wait for the last minute to start crying and trying to pull points out of your ass.

This fall meeting will be taking place November 8 at the best Western in Dartmouth at 15 Spectacle Lake Drive from 1 to 5. . Hopefully will be done way before five, lol.

There was not an abundance of people looking to write certification tests, so no test will be written during the meeting. Dave Pentz has been watching over the pump installers testing and allowing people to write at the EMS facility in Dartmouth, Thank you, Dave!

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Message from the Chair **(continued)**

National Groundwater week in Las Vegas is also coming up the second week of December. An amazing time, if you've never been. Lots of information and seminars as well as a tradeshow which has just about all the equipment you could ever think of and the main suppliers, as well as distributors and manufacturers of everything to do with Groundwater.

A big thank you to Rideau pipe for organizing Johnson screens guest speakers for our Regional meeting back in the spring. It takes a lot of work and effort to put something like that on. Much appreciated.

Also, during our Spring meeting, for those of you that weren't there, we presented the NSGWA Annual Awards, I would like to congratulate the following recipients: Steven Full (Driller of the year), Noreen McGuire (Founders Award), Tim Veinot (Digger of the Year), Larry Jacobs (Pump Installer of the Year).
Congratulation!

Beers and pizza was great afterwords!

Jordan Rogers
NSGWA Chair

Upcoming Dates

NSGWA 2024 Fall Meeting

Where: **Best Western, 15 Spectacle Lake Drive,
Dartmouth, NS**

When: **Friday, November 8, 2024**

Time: **1PM – 5PM**

Agenda

1pm - 5pm

- **Opening/Introductions**
- **NSECC Well Log Database Presentation:
New developments with well records and
the well logs database.**
- **New Business**
- **Other Business**
- **Adjournment**

Coffee, tea, cookies, muffins available

Please be advised Agenda is subject to change

This Fall Meeting is worth 10 points.



Upcoming Dates (cont'd)

Ideal Home Show

Where: **Exhibition Park, 200 Prospect Rd, Halifax**

When: **March 28, 10am-8pm,
March 29, 10am-6pm,
March 30, 10am-4pm**

Booth # 648

VOLUNTEERING is a great way to help promote your company while promoting the NSGWA. You also receive **1 CEP point/hour** (e.g.: man booth for **6 hours –get 6 points**).

If you would like to volunteer for the NSGWA, please contact Theresa at the NSGWA office for times.



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Radon Gas Monitors • Locate Buried Well Cables/Lines
Salt Water Well Intrusion Downhole Temp/Cond Profile



CEP points cycle ending this December 31 2024

The end of this cycle is fast approaching. For those of you who may not have your points, there are opportunities online to catch up. There are also opportunities to pay overdue memberships as these are part of the requirement for your overall points.

Most of you can check your points online at <http://www.nsgwa.ca/>. Just go to our website and under CEP there is a pull-down menu for Diggers, Drillers, and Pump Installers. Choose your certification and check to see if your name is there. The number of points you have will be at the far right column. If you do not have your 100 points needed for continued certification, the fall meeting will provide 10, but, as was mentioned, there are a number of online options to make up the difference if you need to.

If your name is not on the website, it is because you have opted out of having your points posted online. This is perfectly acceptable. All you need to do is contact me (Theresa Eldershaw) by email: nsgwa@ns.aliantzinc.ca or by phone 1-888-242-4440. Please leave a message so I can return your call as I am not always by the phone.

I can not stress enough that your points are your responsibility, as was explained upon your certification, but I will do all I can to assist you in ensuring that you have them **before December 31, of this year.**

Tick Tock!

And the winners are....

The 2024 Award Recipients were both surprised and happy with the well-deserved recognition of their skill and dedication to their trade.



Thank you so much Noreen. This can't come close to enough thanks for all you have given to the Association.



Wasn't sure you were going to make it Tim. Glad you did! Congratulations!



Now that's surprised. Well deserved Larry. Congratulations.



Wow! It's as big as you. Congratulations Steve.