
MCABC

THE INFORMER

December 2019



MCABC staff wish all members a wonderful holiday season. We look forward to working with you in 2020 as we action our new strategy, ***Taking a New Route.***

TAKING A NEW ROUTE



December Office Hours

December 24 – 27: Office closed for the holidays

December 30: Business as usual: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

December 31: 8:30 am – 12:30 pm

January 1, 2020: Office closed for New Year's Day

January 2: Business as usual: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm



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EDUCATION



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LEADERSHIP



COLLABORATION

**Membership renewals underway. Please renew by
January 2, 2020.**

Membership renewals for 2020 are underway this week. For members whose dues correspond with their WorkSafe BC declaration, your category is based on your commitment this year; we will ask for confirmation of your WorkSafe BC declarations in the Spring, after which time the differential will be payable/refunded. We appreciate your membership and ongoing support!

Welcome to the following companies that have joined MCABC in the past month:

- HSL Automation <http://www.hslautomation.com/>
 - Tino Mechanical <https://www.tinomechanical.com/>
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Save the Date 2020

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March 3: BuildForce Canada 2020-2029
BC Construction and Maintenance Industry Scenario Forecast

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June 12: MCABC Golf Tournament, Northview Golf Course



ADVOCACY



COLLABORATION

Working Together the theme of first-ever provincial ‘Day on the Leg’

It was a day of raising awareness of our industry, our economic impact and our desire to be an active participant in discussions regarding the province’s climate change initiatives and a lead resource striving to attract skilled trades and build the bench strength of mechanical trades in B.C. Together with CIPHBC and related associations, TECA and HRAI, MCABC met with provincial ministers and members of the opposition November 18th, taking an important step in positioning MCABC as a qualified and engaged contributor to discussions that impact mechanical contractors in B.C. A special thank you to CIPHBC for leading this collective initiative.



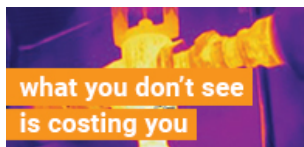
EDUCATION

2020 Course schedule TBA

Education planning for 2020 is underway. Courses and dates will be announced shortly. The 2020-21 suite of courses will include:

- Estimating
- BIM

- Project Management
- Service
- Field Supervisory



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EDUCATION

Registering for an MCABC course in 2020? Apply for a BC Education Grant

Continuing education is important to your employees and, ultimately, to your company's success. Did you know that employers in B.C. are eligible for a B.C. Employer Training Grant? To learn more and apply, visit: www2.gov.bc.ca.

For assistance to have the grant apply to an MCABC course offered through MCAC, contact Tania Johnston, Executive Director, Education & Special Projects: Tania@mcac.ca or call: (613) 232-5169

BC Fire Code 2018, Revision1

Revision 1 to the BC Fire Code was approved and changes effective December 12, 2019. Free online access to the recent revisions to the [BC Building Code](#) and the [BC Fire Code](#) are available on the BC Publications [website](#). A list of the Revision 1 changes is available on the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing's [web page](#). If you have any questions about these code changes, please email codequestion@gov.bc.ca.

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New Welders Program open for applications

Working as a pressure welder and meet certification requirements? You have almost one year (up to Dec, 2020) to transition to the new program without a cost. Recent graduates, apprentices, and pressure welders from outside of B.C. can apply for a certificate without fees before January 3, 2020. To learn more about the program and how to apply, visit: www.technicalsaftybc.ca.

Pressure welders in British Columbia are required to hold this certificate of qualification. This nationally recognized program assesses a welder's skills and abilities, ensuring all pressure welders in B.C. are working to the relevant codes and standards.

Interested members can also apply for a class PW contractor licence, which allows the holder to perform subcontracted pressure welding on regulated equipment under a class A, Au, Ap, B, or REF licensed contractor's permit.

[Learn more about the PW contractor licence and how to apply.](#)



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SKILLED TRADES

Promoting Skilled Trades to Indigenous Youth

Read the Canadian Apprenticeship Forum's report that sheds light on experiential opportunities for learning about skilled trades in high schools.

Visit: caf-fca.org



NextGen's Bowling Event Sells out again in 2019

The NextGen Committee's 2nd Annual Bowling Evening Nov 27th was a striking success. The sold-out event attracted top talent from within the mechanical contracting community. Competition was fierce and camaraderie contagious.

Spreading Christmas cheer for the Langley food bank

Thank you to everyone who joined us at MCABC's Annual Christmas Open House on Dec 4th. We are particularly grateful for the generosity of our prize donors, silent auction bidders and ticket winners who raised just over \$3,500 for the Langley Food Bank in only a few hours.



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