

## Wood *WORKS!* E-Bulletin Branché sur le bois

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### National

- **2010 Olympics**

Wood *WORKS!* continues to work with the Olympic Oval design team in providing technical support as necessary, to ensure wood is being showcased in the building. A total innovative wood roof option will be used for the oval making it on of the largest recreational wood structures in the world. Wood *WORKS!* is also working closely with the architects and engineers involved with the other 2010 facilities being a Curling Rink and Nordic Center and provides technical advice to the construction team to ensure wood solutions are used on all 2010 structures.

***Les Jeux olympiques 2010***

*Branché sur le bois travaille de près avec l'équipe de design de la patinoire Olympique en fournissant le soutien technique nécessaire pour assurer que le bois occupe une position importante dans les bâtiments Olympiques. Une option en bois complètement innovatrice sera utilisée pour l'oval, ce qui en fera un des plus grands bâtiments récréatifs en bois au monde. Branché sur le BOIS! travaille de très prêt avec les architectes et les ingénieurs impliqués sur d'autres projets pour 2010, tels l'Aréna de curling et le Centre nordique. De plus, Branché le BOIS! fournit de l'aide technique à l'équipe de construction pour assurer que des solutions en bois soient utilisées dans toutes les structures pour 2010.*

- **Wood *WORKS!* Web Site**

The Wood *WORKS!* web site has been revamped. OPTS has been tested and the new system has been launched. New information has been added and a new user-friendly site has been developed. If you have any comments and suggestions to improve our web site, please forward them to Jennifer Duthie at: [jduthie@cwc.ca](mailto:jduthie@cwc.ca)

***Le site Web de Branché sur le bois!***

*Le site Web de Branché sur le bois! a été amélioré. L'OPTS a été testé et le nouveau système a été lancé. De nouveaux renseignements a été ajoutée et un nouveau site facile à utiliser a été développé. Si vous avez des commentaires ou suggestions pour améliorer notre site Web, veuillez contacter Jennifer Duthie à : [jduthie@cwc.ca](mailto:jduthie@cwc.ca)*

### British Columbia

- **Richmond Speed Skating Oval**

Wood *WORKS!* BC continues to document the innovative use of wood in the Richmond Speed Skating Oval.

Last week the film crew from RealWorld Media had the unique opportunity to film two end arches being erected at the same time as a wood wave panel was installed. As of September 21st, two thirds of the glulam arches and approximately one third of the wood wave panels had been installed on site. Already the building showcases the use of wood to anyone passing by the Oval construction site.

The film crew will be filming the production of the glulams at Structurlam in Penticton in early October. The filming of the glulams will tie in with the filming of the wood wave panels at StructureCraft.

**Wood *WORKS!* is a  
Canadian Wood Council  
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*Branché sur le bois est une  
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du bois*

### Feature Stories

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[Wood \*WORKS!\* BC influences  
School Planners](#)

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[Royal City Star Casino raises  
from the ground with WOOD a  
major signature in its design](#)

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### Upcoming Events

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[Montreal Wood Solutions Fair  
– 27 September 2007](#)

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**Potential Wood Projects  
Pursued by Wood  
*WORKS!***

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When complete, this film will be used as an educational tool for designers and a promotional tool for the general public.

- **Additional Technical Advisor for BC**

An additional technical advisor is being sought for BC Wood *WORKS!* The technical advisor will work closely with key target market audiences, educating them about technical issues concern wood products and wood solutions. Project specific support will be provided, and responsibilities will also include facilitating workshops and training sessions. The technical advisor will be based in the Lower Mainland and will focus efforts primarily on this area. BC Wood *WORKS!* currently has one technical advisor and hiring another advisor will help keep pace with BC's booming construction industry.

The latest figures from Stats Canada show that the value of building permits issued in BC is up 22 per cent this year over last year. According to the province of BC, for the 10th consecutive quarter, investment in non-residential construction in BC continued to increase. In the second quarter of 2007, investment rose by 4.1 per cent, with spending on industrial buildings leading the way (Stats Canada and BC Stats, July 2007).

"A new technical advisor will be a very welcome addition to the BC team," noted Mary Tracey, executive director for Wood *WORKS!* BC. There are so many projects underway and so many requests for assistance that we simply can't keep up with only one technical advisor.

- **Market Research Well Underway**

During the months of July and August, surveys of building permits issued in six of BC's largest cities were conducted.

Using methodology similar to that developed for non-residential market research in Alberta, Ontario and California, the data will be measured in order to cost-effectively determine market segments most conducive to increased wood use. The objective of the market research is to identify building types with fast growing market share in order for Wood *WORKS!* to effectively target these segments of construction.

BC Wood *WORKS!* is collaborating with FP Innovations on the Market Research report, which is expected to be complete in early January 08.

- **Canadian Home Builders Association**

Peter Moonen had an excellent turn out for his presentation to the Sea-to-Sky chapter of the Home Builders Association. Peter has been asked to return for presentation on an annual basis.

- **Building Design Institute of BC**

Bill Billups was well received at his luncheon presentation "Wood and Sustainable Design" at the annual meeting of the BDIBC. Bill has reported on the new alliance between the Building Design Institute membership and the Architectural Institute of BC.

- **Sustainability Workshops**

Registration is taking place for the upcoming Sustainability Workshops with Green Globe Training that are being held in Vancouver on Wednesday, Oct 10 and in Kelowna on Friday, Oct 12. More information and registration form available at BC Wood *WORKS!* -Workshops via [www.wood-works.org](http://www.wood-works.org)

- **Fall Luncheon Conferences**

The popular Fall Luncheon Conference series will be run again this year. This time events will be held in Kelowna on Tuesday, November 27 and in Victoria on Thursday, November 29. Exhibitors wishing to participate, please contact event coordinator, Lorna Malone at [lmalone@wood-works.ca](mailto:lmalone@wood-works.ca) or 1-877-929-9663 ext 4.

- **Planning for 2008**

Note the following events and dates that have been confirmed...

*projects, please contact the provincial directors by clicking on the project's link.*

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### **British Columbia:**

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[Vancouver Trade and Convention Centre](#)

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[Mission Aquatic Center, Kelowna](#)

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[South Okanagan Entertainment Center, Penticton](#)

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### **2010 Olympic Venues:**

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[Olympic Speed Skating Oval, Richmond, BC](#)

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[Whistler Sliding Center, Whistler](#)

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### **Alberta:**

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[YMCA, Downtown Edmonton, AB](#)

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[Community Hall, La Crete, AB](#)

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[Evergreen Park Conference Pavilion, Grande Prairie, AB](#)

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### **Ontario:**

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[Kitchener Library](#)

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[Aylmer Fire Hall](#)

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### **Quebec:**

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[Tim Horton's](#)

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[Stade de soccer à Québec Quebec City Soccer Stadium](#)

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[Centre sportif Gatineau/ Gatineau Sports centre](#)

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### **Wood Design Awards Competition and Gala**

The date for the 2008 Wood Awards Gala has been set for Monday February 25 to be held at the Fairmont Waterfront Hotel. Parties interested in being sponsors for this event please contact event coordinator Lorna Malone at [lmalone@wood-works.ca](mailto:lmalone@wood-works.ca) or 1-877-929-9663 ext 4.

### **Wood Solutions Fair**

The date for the 2008 Wood Solutions Fair has been set for Tuesday, February 26 to be held at the Vancouver Trade and Convention Centre. Watch for further information coming months.

### **New Sponsor for Wood Catapult Competition - Applied Science Technologists & Technicians of BC**

With the success of last years event, planning has begun for a second competition . The date and location are tentatively set for March 8, 2008 at Spencer Field East, on the UBC campus. We are anticipating that there will be at least five teams entered from the Wood Science Department of UBC, the same as last year.

We are also pleased to announce that ASTTBC (Applied Science Technologists & Technicians of British Columbia) has offered to sponsor the first prize cash award, for the next three years.

We would be happy to hear from any other companies or associations who would be interested in sponsoring the second or third prizes. Please keep posted for further details about this event.

## *Wood Links*

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[Become a Wood Champion - Wood Champions Network!](#)

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[Wood \(IN\)Site, the electronic newsletter for builders, architects and engineers.](#)

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## **Alberta**

- **Life Cycle Assessment Workshops**  
Workshops are scheduled for November 14, 2007 in Edmonton and November 15th, 2007 in Calgary. Registration forms are available on the Alberta Wood *WORKS!* website or by contacting , Juanita Bobbitt at [jbobbitt@wood-works.ca](mailto:jbobbitt@wood-works.ca)
- **Alberta Boilers Safety Association Administration & Training Facility**  
Hosted a tour and designer presentation August 30th, 2007. The event was very successful with 45 guests in attendance. Vivian Manasc was the special guest tour guide. Vivian's message on the ABSA was primarily on the sustainable qualities of the building. Gordon Campbell, GM of the ABSA, spoke on how the nature lighting from the large windows and beauty of the wood design, positively effects the well-being of his staff. Case Study is available through Ken Glover at [kglover@wood-works.ca](mailto:kglover@wood-works.ca)
- **Alberta Forest Products Association**  
Will be holding their annual general meeting September 27th, at the Jasper Park Lodge. Alberta Wood *WORKS!* will be at the business contact session held in conjunction with this event.
- **"Build with Wood" Campaign**  
Has received marginal responses, as the municipalities are just returning to regular schedule meetings. Several communities are on board and communicating the campaign to their constituents. The campaign is an appeal for greater wood use to help Alberta's forestry industry and forestry-based communities endure the effects of the mountain pine beetle. Copies of the media release are available at the Edmonton office, contact Juanita Bobbitt at [jbobbitt@wood-works.ca](mailto:jbobbitt@wood-works.ca)
- **Case study on the Lawrence Grassi Middle School, Canmore, AB**  
Is in the initial stages.

## **Ontario**

- **New Technical Advisor**

Wood WORKS! Ontario is pleased to announce the addition of a second Technical Advisor, Steven Street, to the Ontario team. Steven brings with him a strong background in the wood industry, recently working for Cullen BP and previously Tampa Hall. Steven can be reached by email at [ssstreet@wood-works.ca](mailto:ssstreet@wood-works.ca) , by phone at 1-886-866-3574 or on his cell at 1-226-338-7835.

- **Record breaking number of submissions for Ontario Wood WORKS! Awards**

All submissions for the 7th Annual Wood WORKS! Awards have been received and they are impressive! Don't miss seeing the winners unveiled at the Awards Gala on November 7, 2007 at the Fairmont Royal York in Toronto. Call Ontario Wood WORKS! Director, Marianne Berube, toll-free at 1-866-886-3574 (ext 224) to reserve your Gala tickets or corporate table today.

- **IIDEX/NeoCon (International Interior Design Expo & Conference) – Toronto**

September 27th & 28th

Wood WORKS! has been a key partner in developing the new “Wood Focus on Green Boulevard” at this year's show.

- **Long-Term Care Case Study**

We are finishing up production of a case study of two Ontario long-term care facilities: Norview Lodge and Parkwood Mennonite Home. Look for this new study to be published by the middle of October.

- **Upcoming ....**

- **7th Annual Wood WORKS! Awards Gala – Toronto**

November 6th

For sponsorship opportunities contact Marianne Berube, Ontario Director at 1-866-886-3574.

- **Toronto Wood Solutions Fair – Toronto November 7th**

To exhibit at the Toronto fair, complete the exhibitor registration available online at [www.cwc.ca](http://www.cwc.ca) (click on menu item Events / Wood Solutions Fairs / Toronto). To attend the fair, please pre-register online at [www.woodsolutionsfair.com](http://www.woodsolutionsfair.com)

- **Construct Canada – Toronto November 28th - 30th**

- **Student Competition – New Wood Product Design**

Wood WORKS! launched an exciting new student competition designed to foster interest and innovation in the value-added wood manufacturing sector. Students at five Ontario Colleges, studying some aspect of wood manufacturing, have the opportunity to win up to \$10,000 for designing a new wood product and creating a viable marketing plan. Go to [www.woodworksawards.com](http://www.woodworksawards.com) and click on the Wood Products Design Competition Brochure PDF for more details. The extended deadline for submissions is October 1, 2007.

## Québec

- **Salon Solutions en Bois, Montréal, 27 septembre 2007**

*Le Salon solution en Bois de Montréal se tiendra au Palais des congrès le 27 septembre 2007. Des conférenciers de renom provenant d'Autriche, des États-Unis et du Canada, de même qu'une trentaine d'exposants seront présents pour informer et sensibiliser les professionnels de la conception et de la construction de la grande région montréalaise. Les séminaires couvriront plusieurs sujets comme l'architecture, le génie, les questions environnementales, les codes et les outils de conception. Le public ciblé comprend les professionnels de la conception, soit les architectes,*

*ingénieurs, technologues, promoteurs, représentants gouvernementaux, professeurs, étudiants, etc. Pour plus d'information, incluant l'horaire complet des séminaires, visitez le [www.woodsolutionsfair.com](http://www.woodsolutionsfair.com) ou communiquez avec Patrice Tardif au [ptardif@videotron.ca](mailto:ptardif@videotron.ca).*

- **Montreal Wood Solutions Fair – 27 September 2007**

The Montreal Wood Solutions Fair will be held at the Palais des congrès on the 27th of September 2007. An impressive line-up of speakers from Austria, the United States and Canada as well as North American industry exhibitors will be present to inform and educate design professionals in the Montreal region. Seminars will cover architectural, engineering and environmental topics, codes, and design tools. The target audience for the Fair is the professional design community, including architects, engineers, technologists, property owners, government representatives, professors, students and the like. More information, including the full seminar schedule, can be found at [www.woodsolutionsfair.com](http://www.woodsolutionsfair.com) or by contacting Patrice Tardif at [ptardif@videotron.ca](mailto:ptardif@videotron.ca).

**Wood WORKS!** would like to thank its project partners.  
*Branché sur le bois remercie ses partenaires.*

The Wood WORKS! project is a national, industry-led initiative, spearheaded by the Canadian Wood Council, to promote the use of wood in commercial, industrial and institutional construction. The Wood WORKS! E-Bulletin is our method to communicate to you the many activities, accomplishments and successes of the initiative throughout the past month, as well as upcoming projects and events we are currently working on.

*Le projet Branché sur le bois est une initiative nationale, lancée par l'industrie et menée par le Conseil canadien du bois, afin de promouvoir l'utilisation du bois dans la construction commerciale, industrielle et institutionnelle. Le Bulletin Branché sur le bois s'avère notre méthode de communication pour vous informer des activités, résultats et succès du projet au cours du mois, en plus de vous mettre au courant des événements à venir.*

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