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

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### National

- **2010 Olympics**

A coalition representing the Canadian Wood Products Industry has been formed in order to facilitate the use of wood in the Olympic facilities, with CWC and Wood WORKS! spearheading several aspects of this endeavor. A strategic plan that reviews and addresses the technical issues that might restrict the use of wood products in the 2010 buildings is being developed. The technical strategies proposed by the CWC will be presented to industry members at the next 2010 technical meeting to be held in Vancouver on April 20th, 2004.

***Jeux olympiques 2010***

*Une coalition de l'industrie du bois a été formée afin de faciliter l'accès et l'utilisation des produits en bois dans la construction de structures Olympiques. Le CCB et Branché sur le bois s'occupera des divers aspects techniques. Un plan stratégique est en voie de développement pour revoir et aborder les questions techniques qui pourraient restreindre l'utilisation des produits en bois dans les constructions de 2010. Les stratégies techniques proposées par le CCB seront présentées aux membres de l'industrie lors de la prochaine rencontre technique pour 2010 qui aura lieu le 20 avril prochain à Vancouver.*

- **Wood WORKS! Influenced Project Case Study**

An informative case study bulletin is being prepared to showcase Canadian-built projects, influenced by Wood WORKS!. Featured projects include the West Van Aquatic Centre (BC), the Hinton Government Centre (AB), the Charles W. Stockey Centre for the Performing Arts (ON), the Courtenay Library (BC), the Intuit Canada Headquarters (AB), the Thunder Bay Regional Hospital (ON), the Saint-Prime Golf Clubhouse (QC) and the Kwalikum Elementary School (BC). The case study will be ready for distribution in late March.

***Études de cas Branché sur le bois***

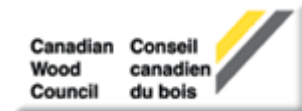
*L'équipe de Branché sur le bois prépare un bulletin d'études de cas mettant en lumière des projets de construction en bois canadiens influencés par Branché sur le bois. En vedette, le Centre aquatique West Van (BC), le Centre Hinton (AB), le Centre Charles W. Stockey pour les arts de la scène (ON), la bibliothèque de Courtenay (BC), le bureau chef de Intuit Canada (AB), l'Hôpital régional de Thunder Bay (ON), le club de golf de Saint-Prime (QC) et l'école Kwalikum (BC). L'étude de cas sera disponible à la fin mars.*

### British Columbia

- **Wood Solutions Fair**

Over 1100 participants at Vancouver's March 10 Wood Solutions Fair set a new attendance record for the BC event. Special guest speakers Jan Inge

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### Feature Stories

[Lumber Industry Promoting Wood for Non-Residential Construction](#)

[Webcam Photos Reveal Construction Progress of Credit Valley Hospital Expansion](#)

[Home-Grown Lumber Proposed for Mount Boucherie Expansion](#)

[Lake Superior Provincial Park](#)

Lindeberg and Terje Rorby of Biong Architecture, Norway and engineer Michael Flach, Austria helped to promote the Wood *WORKS!* initiative for wood in 2010 Olympic venues. We were also honoured to have Michael de Jong, Minister of Forests as the keynote speaker at the luncheon. The Minister appealed to the architects and engineers in the audience to use wood in their construction projects.

- **Vancouver Convention Centre Expansion Project Update**

The design team with the help of Wood *WORKS!* is continuing to look at wood options for a "Structural Wood Signature" for the VCCEP. The current proposals are looking at our family of engineered wood products such as LSL, LVL, PSL, and glulam and are exploring the use of a mix of these products for a roof system that will cover 5 acres of "Green" roof. Ongoing meetings with the wood industry at the design table are focused on a wood solution that will not only meet the needs of the structural design and the code requirements but also result in a "Structural Wood Signature" that will be exposed for all to see, showcasing BC Structural Wood Products to the world.

- **Cluster Seminars**

Les Josza, the 'Wood Guy', completed the first cluster seminar series where Wood *WORKS!* joined together with COFI to present two lectures. Les Josza presented a one-hour lecture on the properties of wood, taking the audience on a microscopic journey through the growing cycle of a tree and exploring the mystery of nature's only renewable resource, WOOD! Over 60 architects, engineers, quantity surveyors and other technical staff attended 5 cluster seminars in five different cities (Penticton, Kelowna, Vernon, Kalmias, and Prince George) to learn the basics of one of nature's best building blocks.

- **Focus Groups**

A series of Focus Groups, conducted by Wood *WORKS!* BC has provided insight and understanding into the issues, concerns and focuses of the design and building community in British Columbia. Wood *WORKS!* BC invited a select group of architects, engineers, quantity surveyors, builders and building code officials to participate in Focus Groups conducted in Vancouver, Victoria and Kelowna over the past several weeks. The Focus Groups were moderated by Jennifer O'Connor from Forintek and focused on the selection process for structural materials in non-residential construction.

- **Wood Art**

Wood *WORKS!* team member Peter Moonen has been working with Michael Geller of Simon Fraser University on the UniverCity development project. The multi-stage project has incorporated wood into its promotion and has undertaken to salvage a cedar and a maple from the land to be developed. This wood will be distributed to artisans around the province to create unique pieces, some of which will be purchased for public art purposes in the new development.

## Alberta

- **Provincial Strategic Plan**

The Forest Industry Suppliers and Logging Association (FISLA) has officially come on board to form a partnership to manage the project in Alberta. A provincial strategic plan is being developed and Wood *WORKS!* activities are being proposed. FISLA is an independent non-profit industry organization devoted to the sustainable development of all forest industry sectors.

- **Survey on the Use of Wood in Construction Applications**

A benchmark survey has been prepared to help develop, package and make

## Visitors Centre

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### *Upcoming Events*

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*Dîner-conférence du Bas Saint-Laurent: Rimouski, le 24 mars*

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CWC / QFIC Annual General Meeting: Québec, May 10-12

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CWC Wood Solutions Fair: Toronto, September 21

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4th Annual ON Wood Awards Gala: Rama, November 17

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### *Wood Links*

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Wood (IN)Site, the electronic newsletter for builders, architects and engineers.

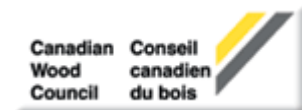
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available wood use education and information materials for Architects, Engineers and General Contractors involved in Commercial, Industrial and large custom Residential developments. The mailback survey was sent to Alberta design and construction firms and results should be available soon.

## Ontario

- **Lumber Industry promoting wood for non-residential construction**  
Pauline Rochefort, President of the CWC, and Marianne Berube, Ontario Director for Wood WORKS! were keynote speakers for the opening of the Canadian Lumbermen's Annual convention held in Montreal, February 19th. The presentation was keenly received by industry participants attending the conference. Following the presentation, Alan Swift published [an article](#) that appeared in the Montreal Gazette and Toronto Star.
- **Projects updates**  
Plans for the new North Bay Regional Hospital are near completion and are awaiting final approval from the Ministry of Health. Wood WORKS! staff has been working hard to ensure the Ministry favours the structural wood components in the project and that they are informed on the merits for using wood.
- **Upcoming events**  
Reinventing the Forest Industry Forum, March 25-26 at the Canadian Ecology Centre in Mattawa. Visit [www.northeasternforestrycommunity.com](http://www.northeasternforestrycommunity.com) for more information.

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## Québec

- **Dîner-conférence du Bas Saint-Laurent**  
*Les membres de Branché sur le bois dans la région du Bas Saint-Laurent organisent un dîner-conférence le 24 mars prochain dans le but de sensibiliser et d'informer les intervenants à différents niveaux de la «chaîne de production» des produits du bois. Les séminaires seront présentées par des conférenciers du CCB. Toutes les personnes intéressées à y participer peuvent communiquer avec Denis Pineault au (418) 724-6440.*  
**Luncheon Conference in Lower St Lawrence Region**  
Project supporters in the Lower St Lawrence region are hosting a luncheon conference to create awareness and inform design and construction professionals on wood products and the newest trends in wood construction. CWC staff will be key speakers at the event. The Conference will be held March 24th, in Rimouski. For more information, contact Denis Pineault (418) 724-6440.

## New Brunswick

- **Moncton Annual Home Show - March 19-21**  
Wood WORKS! will again participate in the 15th Annual Home Show, to be held March 19-21, 2004 at the Moncton Coliseum Agrena Complex. This event is a Home Show comprised exclusively of businesses and people who are in the Home Building, Home Refurbishing and Home Renovation Industry.
- **Atlantic Building Materials Show - March 26-28**  
"Building Partners for 50 Years" is the theme of this year's Atlantic Building Materials Show. The Atlantic Buildings Material Show is the largest of its kind, east of Montreal, and features over 250 exhibitor firms. This show, scheduled for March 26-28, 2004 is open to all retailers in the building supply, home improvement, decorating and hardware industry. Wood

WORKS! has the privilege again this year of attending! Events such as this provides Wood WORKS! with a great opportunity to network.

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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