

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 one 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 près 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 is being revamped. OPTS has been tested and the new system will be launched later this fall. New information will be added and a new user-friendly site will be developed. The new site should be ready to be launched later this year. If you have any comments and suggestions to improve our web site, please forward them to Jennifer Duthie at: jduthie@cw.ca

Le site Web de Branché sur le bois!

Le site Web de Branché sur le bois! est en cours de mise à jour. L'OPTS a été testé et le lancement de ce nouveau système aura lieu plus tard cet automne. De nouveaux renseignements seront ajoutés et un nouveau site facile à utiliser est en voie de développement. Le nouveau site devrait être lancé plus tard cette année. Si vous avez des commentaires ou suggestions pour améliorer notre site Web, veuillez contacter Jennifer Duthie à : jduthie@cw.ca

- **Wood WORKS! On-line Project Tracking System (OPTS)**

The project tracking system is being tested and a new system will officially be launched later this fall.

Système en ligne de suivi des projets

Le système de pistage est actuellement testé et un nouveau système sera officiellement lancé cet automne.

**Wood WORKS! is a
Canadian Wood Council
initiative**

*Branché sur le bois est une
initiative du Conseil canadien
du bois*

Feature Stories

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

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

Upcoming Events

[National Association of Home
Builders' - International
Builders' Show](#)

British Columbia

- **Vancouver Wood Solutions Fair March 13, 2007**

The annual Vancouver Wood Solutions Fair will be held on Tuesday, March

13, on the meeting level, Vancouver Trade and Convention Centre. Organizers are pleased with the line up of speakers including international guest Hannu Tikka, principal architect, Artto, Palo, Rossi, Tikka Architects, Helsinki, Finland, architects for the world famous Sibelius Concert Hall in Lahti, Finland. Gunilla Beyer from the Swedish Forest Industries Federation will be speaking as well. Exhibitor registration is now available online at: www.woodsolutionsfair.com

- **Wood Catapult Challenge**

Following on the success of the engineering student, catapult competition over the past three years in Ottawa, Wood WORKS! BC/Canadian Wood Council will be hosting the first Western Canadian Engineering Competition. Anyone interested in watching the competition proceedings is welcome to attend at Spencer Field East at University of British Columbia on February 17, 2007. The purpose of the competition is to challenge registered college or university students to design and build a wood catapult capable of accurately hitting targets at 20, 30 and 50 meters using a one-kilogram ball. Teams consisting of students and one faculty member will submit a short report prior to the competition about their catapult design. On the morning of the competition they will give a fifteen-minute presentation, independent of the trials. Timed performance trials and distance trials will determine the winners. See attached for photos of competitors in Ottawa.

- **Nominate an Industry Leader for 2007 Wood Awards**

Wood WORKS! BC is now accepting nominations for the 2007 Wood Awards Competition. Industry representatives are reminded of the Industry Leader Award and are encouraged to nominate a deserving colleague. In all 12 awards will be presented this year. Award category criteria and nomination forms for this year's event are available on line at the Wood WORKS! Award site at: www.wood-works.org. Nominations close February 7, 2007.

Awards will be presented at the Awards Gala to be held on Monday, March 12, 2007 at the Four Seasons Hotel in Vancouver. Tickets for the reception and 4 course meal, may be reserved by contacting event coordinator Lorna Malone at lmalone@wood-works.org or 877-929-9663 ext 4.

Event Sponsor -Forestry Innovation Investment Award Sponsors -Canfor, Coast Forest Products Association, Council of Forest Industries, Gorman Bros, Interfor, Structurlam, Tembec, Western Archrib, Western Forest Products, Weyerhaeuser

Silver Sponsor - West Fraser

Bronze Sponsor - Dunkley Lumber Reside

- **Township of Langley Events and Recreation Centre to Feature Wood**

A new events and recreation centre that can be used for sporting events, concerts, exhibitions, and trade shows will be built in the Township of Langley, thanks to funding from British Columbia's Ministry of Forests and Range. The multi-use facility will be developed through a shared financial partnership between the Township, the provincial government, and a private partner, the Langley Development Group, which will split the \$45 million in construction costs three ways.

The events and recreation centre will feature a variety of wood in many uses, and will act as a global showcase for wood construction. The innovative structure will promote BC forestry products as a desirable material for major facility construction. The building, which will include a gallery of BC wood, will be used as a demonstration facility for trades and businesses around the world, which will be able to see firsthand how BC wood can be utilized on a grand scale. "British Columbia, despite our rich history with forestry, has very few significant wood buildings," said Coleman, BC Minister of Forest

Potential Wood Projects Pursued by Wood WORKS!

For more information on the projects, please contact the provincial directors by clicking on the project's link.

British Columbia:

[Vancouver Trade and Convention Centre](#)

[Mission Aquatic Center, Kelowna](#)

[South Okanagan Entertainment Center, Penticton](#)

2010 Olympic Venues:

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

[Whistler Sliding Center, Whistler](#)

Alberta:

[YMCA, Downtown Edmonton, AB](#)

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

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

Ontario:

[Kitchener Library](#)

[Aylmer Fire Hall](#)

Quebec:

[Tim Horton's](#)

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

and Range.

“We want to show the world what can be done with BC wood. This facility will inspire foreign trade delegations, forestry companies, training schools, private developers, and others to use our wood products in greater ways than ever before.”

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

Alberta

- **Case Study**
Alberta Pressure Equipment Safety Authority building Case Study is now complete. To obtain copies please contact Ken Glover at: kglover@wood-works.ca
- **Business Plan**
Alberta Wood *WORKS!* completed a 3-Year Business Plan. To obtain copies please contact Ken Glover at: kglover@wood-works.ca
- **Alberta Awards Gala Website**
Now up and running! Nomination Forms available on line at: <http://www.woodworksawards.com/alberta/>
- **2007 Alberta Wood Awards Gala**
Calgary, Alberta April 18th, 2007
- **2007 Calgary Wood Solutions Fair 2007**
Calgary, Alberta April 19th, 2007

Wood Links

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

Ontario

- **Ryerson Lecture Series, January 11th, 2007**
Wood *WORKS!* sponsored the annual “Robert McIntyre Lecture” at Ryerson University, featuring Ian McDonald of Ian MacDonald Architect Inc. Wood *WORKS!* was introduced as the evening’s sponsor. Ian discussed his design relationship and then progressed into his practice and various award winning residential projects. Most projects in his presentation included major wood components, both structural and non-structural. Ian MacDonald and his firm, located in Toronto, are a two-time Wood *WORKS!* Awards winner.
- **Timber Connection Design Workshop, February 1st, 2007**
Wood *WORKS!* Ontario and CWC will organize a one-day Timber Connection Design Workshop at Ryerson University on February 1, 2007. The speaker, Dr. Pierre Quenneville, is professor and head of the Civil Engineering Department at the Royal Military College in Kingston, Ontario. His research activities focus on the resistance and behavior of connections failing in a brittle mode. He has presented at many Wood Solutions Fairs on the topic of timber connection design.
- **Wood *WORKS!* Ontario at International Builders Show, IBS, in Orlando, Fla., February 7-10, 2007**
Wood *WORKS!* will have a trade booth at IBS, the housing industry’s largest annual light construction trade show and exhibition, which is expected to attract over 100,000 attendees.
- **Presentation for Town of Markham**
Max Torossi will give a presentation to the Town of Markham’s building inspectors and plant examiners at a breakfast meeting on February 13th, 2007.
- **Lunch & Learn**
Max Torossi will hold a lunch & learn session at the offices of Stone Kohn McQuire Vogt Architects in Toronto on January 25th, 2007.
- **Sustainability Seminars in North Bay and Toronto, March 8th and 9th, 2007**

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

Following the successful events in Markham and London in November, Wood *WORKS!* has scheduled a new round of sustainability workshops in March, this time in North Bay and Toronto.

- **Algonquin College**

On January 16th Algonquin College publicly announced a \$65 million expansion of their campus (Building Trades and Science Building) in Ottawa on Woodroffe Avenue. Conversations with Algonquin College about their proposed expansion began back in November when Wood *WORKS!* approached the college and department heads, John Paul Tapp and Michael Nauth. The new facility will house the building trades (carpentry, electrical, mechanical) and the architectural students in a new building. Wood *WORKS!* had a meeting with the College on January 16th and had a quick tour of the facility. The project is in the very preliminary stages. There were discussions about where and how to incorporate wood. Wood *WORKS!* reiterated the importance of issuing an RFP/EOI including wood as a building material from the onset.

Québec

- ***Développement économique Canada soutient le développement du secteur de la construction non résidentielle au Québec***

Branché sur le bois! a reçu une confirmation préliminaire à l'effet que sa demande pour un financement de 200 000 \$ s'échelonnant sur deux ans a reçu l'approbation de Développement économique Canada. L'argent sera utilisé à bon escient car il servira à financer les activités qui sont dans le plan de travail. Ces activités ont été spécifiquement choisies pour faire avancer les objectifs du projet, soit d'accroître l'utilisation du bois dans le marché de la construction non résidentielle. L'industrie apprécie le geste d'appui de Développement économique Canada et se réjouit de pouvoir collaborer de plus près avec ce nouveau partenaire. Pour de plus amples renseignements, veuillez contacter Patrice Tardif à: ptardif@videotron.ca

- ***Economic Development Canada supports the development of the non-residential construction sector in Quebec***

Branché sur le bois! has received preliminary confirmation from Economic Development Canada that the funding request for 200,000\$ over two years has been approved. The funds will be put to good use by applying them to the activities identified in the Work Plan. The activities were specifically identified to move the project's objectives forward: that of increasing the use of wood in non-residential construction. Industry is appreciative of this gesture on the part of Economic Development and looks forward to a closer collaboration with this new partner. For more information please contact Patrice Tardif at: ptardif@videotron.ca

- ***L'étude de cas sur les coûts d'assurances est terminée***

Le Health Lambert Group a terminé l'étude de cas sur les coûts d'assurances. Cette étude avait été entreprise pour aider l'industrie à mieux comprendre pourquoi les coûts d'assurances sont différents dans le cas d'un bâtiment en bois et ce, pendant et après sa construction, par rapport à un bâtiment construit en acier ou en béton. Le rapport est présentement à l'étape de l'analyse. Un résumé des conclusions sera disponible au début de la nouvelle année à des fins de consultation.

- **Insurance case study completed**

The insurance case study, undertaken by the Heath Lambert Group, has been completed. The study was undertaken to help industry understand the variations in insurance costs for wood buildings, both during and post construction, as compared with steel and concrete construction. The report is

currently being studied – results will be synthesized and available for consultation early in the New Year.

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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