

Conference Preview

BC LTBIA 22nd Annual Conference

Quaaout Lodge, Chase BC
February 21st to 23rd, 2019

Conference begins Thursday, February 21st, 2019 at 4:00 pm

Your conference registration fee includes admission to all workshops, seminars, and competitions, as well as coffee, snacks, and amazing meals. Accommodation is not included. **Please book your room as soon as possible as the hotel is filling up fast! Quote BC LTBIA conference when booking to ensure the preferred rate of \$105.00 per night.**

Quaaout Lodge 1-250-679-3090

Conference kicks off at 4:00pm on Thursday evening with a meet and greet, and a supplier showcase. Cocktails start shortly after and a reception-style dinner will follow beginning at 7:00pm. This promises to be a festive evening of socializing, catching up, and sharing tall (log and timber) tales.

Friday and Saturday feature 2 full days of diverse workshops with time set aside for re-connecting with old friends and colleagues and checking out our awesome sponsor displays.

Makita promises to bring new tools for you to try out and our friends from Sansin and Plastifab/Insulspan will also be on hand to discuss your project needs. Other sponsors including TNH Trade Shows, Insulspan, Total Wealth Concepts, WoodSURE Insurance, Dietrichs NA, Lee Valley Tools, and Magard Ventures promise to bring you great information on their products and services that are sure to benefit your business operations. We hope you will come out and take advantage of the expertise they have to offer.

Friday evening features a turkey dinner buffet with all the fixins' and is followed by presentations from our generous sponsors and you, our builders. **Be sure to bring slide shows and videos of projects that you have completed this past year to show to everyone.**

Saturday evening features a AAA NY striploin steakhouse dinner buffet. This is followed by our action-packed annual fund-raising auction with all sorts of tools and specialty items donated by our sponsors and fellow conference delegates. You don't want to miss out on these great finds – remember you must be at conference to get in on the auction! Don't forget to bring something to contribute to the auction and help make it a success!

Events Highlights

Builder Slideshow Presentations and Supplier Feature Presentations

Friday night is slideshow and presentation night! Bring along a memory stick or disk with photos and video clips that you want to share with your colleagues, and we will gladly help you present them to the group.

Axe Throwing Competition

Sharpen your axe and hone your skills! Back by popular demand, this year we are hosting an axe throwing competition. Bring your own or use ours, as long as you hit the target and win conference bragging rights! There will be Ladies and Men's categories. Ingrid are you ready to defend your title?

Truss Building Competition, Workshop, and Truss Strength Testing

This seminar and competition is separated into 2 categories.

1. Offsite construction. Participants will be asked to build 1/10 scale timber trusses prior to conference using a defined set of parameters with the goal of designing and constructing the strongest truss possible. Trusses will then be tested at conference to catastrophic failure.
2. Onsite (conference) construction. Participants will be asked to build the same 1/10 scale timber truss within the prescribed time frame to the defined set of parameters with the goal of designing and constructing the strongest truss possible. Participants building at conference will be provided with materials and supplies but must bring their own hand tools.

Our resident engineer Maik Gehloff will provide analysis and commentary on the truss projects throughout the event.

Please send an email to bclogandtimber@gmail.com if you plan to participate in this event. Detailed rules and instructions will be sent to all participants by Monday February 11, 2019.

Note: Trusses are to be constructed using handtools only, such as a square, chisel, handsaw and hammer. Cordless drills are permitted for drilling holes and installing fasteners only.

Live Auction

Saturday's live auction is a conference mainstay and the premier highlight of the weekend! Delegates and sponsors alike donate unique, useful, and beautiful auction items for fast and furious bidding, including tools, artwork, wine and more!

Workshops and Seminars

Carbon Construction and COP 21 – Guideline Position Wood to Address Global Climate Change by Peter Moonen of Wood WORKS

As local, regional, national, and international governments adopt more policies to battle climate change, reductions to carbon footprints are critical. This seminar provides information on the changing carbon impact regulations it will affect your industry directly. You will hear the benefits of how incorporating effective design and changing other practices helps lessen your emissions and actually enhances performance.

Succession Planning / Health Spending Accounts / Employee Benefit Programs by Candace Dodson-Willis and Brenda Sawada of Total Wealth Concepts

Brenda will be speaking regarding succession planning for your business as well as health spending accounts - how to get the highest tax deductions for your medical costs as a company owner. Candace Dodson-Willis will be speaking on the employee health benefits plan for the BC LTBIA specifically designed for our members, and now available.

Effective Leads Management at Trade Shows Walter Bramsleven of Sitka Log Homes

Walter discusses how to come up with a pre-tradeshow strategy for approaching leads and how to efficiently process and vet these contacts and leads after the fact. He simplifies the procedure enabling you to strictly qualify who is worth contacting and what is a priority.

Internet Security 2019 by R. Simon Kaebe of teccrab inc.

This seminar covers what you need to know to protect you and your business from internet threats, including how to weed out phishing and scam emails and how to secure your website and business online.

Design for Durability by Peter Moonen of Wood WORKS

This informative seminar provides an overview on weathering and wear factors and how wood is impacted, and thus how design should adapt. Actual projects will be reviewed with participants so they can walk away with practical information that can be applied in real life builds.

Any questions? Call Patti at 250-574-0562 or email bclogandtimber@gmail.com

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