



THE SPARK

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President's Message

Well, we all made it back from Africa. 30 people finally completed an adventure that had been in the making for 39 months. It did not disappoint. I joked with the travel agent that it wasn't very good on one of the first days as my view from my accommodation was being blocked by an elephant.

We returned on March 8th and I hit the ground running. With the restrictions lifted, the Chapters were in full swing with in person meetings. I have been able to attend Edmonton, Red Deer, Lloydminster, and Calgary in the past four weeks. It was great to get out and see people in person again. Edmonton had a great presentation regarding fire alarm systems, codes, verifications and inspections. Other Chapters had presentations from Brandt Equipment, Michelin Tire, STI Firestop, Hubbell and John Knoll. Calgary Chapter had a presentation from Dan Olesen, and man is he ever passionate about his job. With his enthusiasm, I can't see why today's youth wouldn't want to give the trades a try.



We have been meeting every two weeks to plan and take care of details for the upcoming AGM at the JW Marriot. We toured the facility yesterday and made some decisions on the menu. The space and amenities are amazing and the food delicious. I really hope to see as many of you as possible out for this event. Early bird registration ends soon so don't put it off.

Respectfully,
Scott Hutton
ECAA Provincial President

2022 ECAA AGM & TRAINING DAY



Have you registered yet?

Full Conference Early Bird Registration Deadline April 23rd

For a full detail of the scheduled events and conference package [visit the event site here.](#)

Interested in becoming an investment partner for our conference?

[View the complete package here.](#)

[Register for ECAA Conference Here](#)

Call for Nominations



[Provincial Call for Nominations](#)

[Associates Call for Nominations](#)

[PEC Call for Nominations](#)

Looking to volunteer on one of our committees? Have aspirations towards moving your way to the Provincial Board? Contact Robin Bobocel and find out how to get more involved.

Upcoming Events

LETHBRIDGE CHAPTER MEETING

EDMONTON CHAPTER MEETING

Wednesday April 13th at the Sandman Signature Lethbridge Lodge in person or attend virtually. Networking 5:00 pm – 5:30 pm with meeting and dinner to follow.

Associate Spotlight Presentation: Hubbell Canada, Jason Carl – Floor Boxes, Cord Reels and What's New From Hubbell.

New Associate member Michelin Tire has some great ECAA member benefits to let you know about as well.

[Register to attend In Person Here](#)
[Register to attend Virtually Here](#)

NORTH WEST CHAPTER MEETING

Thursday, April 21st in person, masks are not required and zoom is still an option. **Location: Better Than Fred's** Networking Starts: 5:00 pm with dinner and meeting to follow at 5:30 pm

Associate Spotlight Presentations: Tim Hydzik(Phoenix Lighting) and Kyla(Michelin Tire)

[Register to attend in Person Here](#)
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Looking to hire? Have questions about current apprenticeship and training programs? Then join us for the answers.

"BRIGHT FUTURES CHAPTER MEETING"
Wednesday April 20th at WOW Lighting. Doors open at 4:45 pm, networking 5:00 - 5:30 pm.

Presentations by:

- Careers, The Next Generation
- Women Building Futures
- Apprenticeship & Industry Training
- Tradewinds for Success
- Electrical Industry Training Centre
- NAIT

***As dinner is being catered, RSVP by April 17th.**

[Register to attend In Person Here](#)
[Register to attend Virtually Here](#)

FORT McMURRAY CHAPTER MEETING

Tuesday, May 10th. We are scouting out a new venue to wrap up the season, watch for an email to follow with more details. Networking 5:30 pm Meeting & dinner to follow.

Associate Spotlight: ECAA Michelin Tire Program introduction and Industry presentation.

[Register to attend in Person Here](#)
[Register to attend Virtually Here](#)

CALGARY CHAPTER SOCIAL

Join us to wrap up the season on Cinco de Mayo (May 5th) with a Mexican meal and beer pairing at Inner City Brewing Company. Event starts at 5:30 pm



Get your Cinco de Mayo Tickets Here



EDMONTON CHAPTER SOCIAL

Join us as we wrap p the season with **Casino Night** and a presentation from Money Mentors. More details and location to be confirmed.

[Register for Casino Night Here](#)

Upcoming Training

Last Chance to take your Code Update Training. [May 2nd \(Calgary\)](#) and [May 3rd \(In Person & Online\)](#)

[Last Chance To Take the Code Update](#)

Free 2 hour introductory session in using **Bluebeam Revu** as a construction document tool. The following sessions scheduled for April 22nd and May 7th. For more information and to register, [click here. Bluebeam Brochure](#)



Alberta Fire Alarm Training Course April 25th - April 29th. In Person (Edmonton)

This course meets the requirement for those journeypersons who wish to apply for a Personal Identification Number (PIN) for the maintenance of Fire Alarm Systems, as well as a refresher course for those working in the field. Alberta Electricians certified prior to 1991 as well as journeypersons with credentials from out-of-Province will be eligible to receive a PIN upon successful completion of the exam

[Register Here](#)

EXIT Planning Networkshop (May 5th (Edmonton) May 12th (Calgary))

In partnership with MCA (Mechanical Contractors Association)

Instructor: Brad Gaulin, P.Eng., MBA

These sessions will take place in person. Click to register for the [Edmonton Session](#), here to register for the [Calgary Session](#).
[Exit Planning Session Information - Edmonton](#)
[Exit Planning Session Information - Calgary](#)

2022 - 2023 PEC Course Schedule

[2022 - 2023 PEC Course Schedule & Course Descriptions](#)



Electrical Project Management - April 27th & 28th, 2022 (Online) Instructor: Phil Perry

Once given a successful bid package, you will develop an awareness of how to apply ten project management knowledge areas and five processes to derive a project charter and project schedule. From here you will then learn how to manage the project to successful commissioning and close out.

[REGISTER HERE](#)



Safety Principles - May 5th & 6th (Online) Instructor: Barry Lawrence

Legislation recognizes a PEC as an "Employer". This course lays the groundwork to develop a successful safety program, and mitigate additional employer risk. We'll learn to identify common gaps found in safety systems, simple ways to interpret legislation, and many other valuable tools including: OH&S Obligations (Employer & Worker); Employee Competency; WCB Expectations; Claims Management Strategies; CSA Z463 & Z462.

[REGISTER HERE](#)

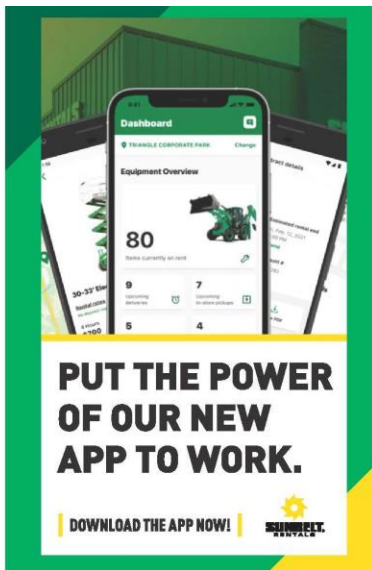
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Did you know that water damage is second only to fire when it comes to insurance claims?

Issues can be caused by rain and weather-related events, underground sources, and even the improper installation of piping and drains. If not attended to immediately, damage can quickly spread to other areas and cause significant property loss.

Having the proper water damage protocols in place, along with adequate planning and continuous property monitoring, can go a long way in helping to mitigate this risk—saving both time and money.

To help you develop a water damage risk management program, Federated Insurance has created [this guide](#), which outlines best practices to consider, including:

- Key program components
- Identifying potential for leaks
- Handling unwelcomed water
- Minimizing your risk potential
- Establishing an emergency response team
- Documentation and recordkeeping
- Use of water management devices

While this resource references construction sites, the principles are applicable to all property owners and can help prevent water damage caused by plumbing fixtures, sprinkler lines, roof surfaces and drain lines, window and door openings, HVAC condensation, and more.

A water damage program can be used broadly or be tailored to individual properties or business locations, and it should outline any potential areas of concern, as well as detection, prevention, and emergency procedures.



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