



*The ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS' Association of Ottawa*



## ECA OTTAWA NEWSWIRE

The ECA Ottawa Newswire is the monthly source for electrical information and communications to our members on issues related specifically to our association, our industry, and our community.

### ECA Ottawa Announces New Board & Executive

**FEBRUARY 11, 2020** - The Electrical Contractors Association of Ottawa held our Annual General Meeting on February 11, 2020. After a reception, dinner and reports from the Board representatives a vote was held to determine the 2020-2021 Board. President Stacy Anderson is pleased to welcome the following Board of Directors:

#### **Executive:**

President - Stacy Anderson (Toban Electric)  
Vice President - Leif Janichen (DanCan Electric)  
Treasurer - Johannes Ziebarth (Ziebarth Electrical)  
Past President - Mark Conrad (Carleton Electric)

#### **Directors:**

Roch Picknell (Wired Synergy)  
Peter Tuck (Black & McDonald)  
Chris Crawford (C & M Electric)  
Adam MacArthur (Adam MacArthur Electrical)  
Scott Winch (City Wye'd Electric)  
Jeff Tremblay (T & M Electric)

### ECA Ottawa Spring 'ALL MEMBERS' Meeting

**April 21, 2020 at Sala San Marco's** - Join us for ECA Ottawa's spring All Members Meeting. It will take place Tuesday, April 21, 2020 at the familiar Sala San Marco's Event Centre at 215 Preston Ave.

The reception will begin at 5:00pm. Dinner will be served at 6:00 pm and the meeting will begin at 7:00pm.

We are very pleased to welcome Angele Harvey from the IBEW and the software development lead working on the new online stabilization fund software. The developers, along with Angele, will provide us with a live demonstration of the new stab fund software and answer your questions. They hope to bring the software online June 1, 2020. Book this in your calendar today.

### 2020 ECA Ottawa Golf Tournament

ECA Ottawa has booked **July 21, 2020** for this years golf tournament. It will take place at the popular Kanata Lakes Golf Club. We look forward to another great day on the links with on course events, lunch, dinner, drinks and prizes. Book July 21 in you calendars today!

## Welcome New Member

ECA Ottawa is very pleased to welcome another new member to our growing ranks. Congratulations to:

**CQS Electric**, Contact: Rudy King  
1606 Main St. Ottawa  
Tel: 613-836-9194, Email: [admin@cqe.ca](mailto:admin@cqe.ca).

## Join Us at the 2020 OCA Symposium & Trade Show

ECA Ottawa will be onsite at the 2nd annual OCA Symposium and Trade Show. This years event features over 175 booths, a 30,000 square foot interactive youth engagement wing, and nearly 50 top speakers offering a rich array of topics to appeal to everyone. It is FREE for all to attend. Go to <https://www.oqa.ca/symposium/index.php> to register.

## WSIB Excellence Program

WSIB launched a new program late in 2019 that integrated the Small Business, Workwell and Safety Groups programs. The program provides the opportunity for Employers to invest in workplace health and safety, which could result in lower premium rates, rebates and recognition. To participate, Employers must first select a WSIB-approved provider (on WSIB's website) to help them achieve the 36 topics spread across three levels: Foundations, Intermediate and Advanced.

The minimum rebate is \$1,000 per topic, up to maximum total rebate of 75% of a businesses' WSIB annual premiums. The maximum rebate is \$50,000 per topic.

WSIB has scheduled several information sessions across the Province over the next few months. To find locations: <https://www.wsib.ca/en/health-and-safety-excellence-program-stay-connected>.

ECAO's Affiliate Partner, 4S Consulting Services, is one of the approved providers and is offering ECAO members assistance working through five topics for \$1,000. For more information, please contact Cathy Frederickson at [cfrederickson@ecao.org](mailto:cfrederickson@ecao.org).

## 3 Reasons Fibre Is the 1st Choice for 5G

It's no secret that 5G will bring us faster speeds, better performance and more reliable service for our mobile devices. (For example, 5G will enable users to download a high-def film in less than one second as opposed to the 10+ minutes it currently takes on 4G/LTE.)

But it will also place huge demands on wired infrastructure. Before 5G networks become prevalent, your network infrastructure needs to be able to reliably and continuously support thousands of devices (or more) — as well as the data collected and transmitted by these devices.

A good example involves the concept of autonomous vehicles. With 5G networks, connected cars will be able to communicate with each other to decrease safety hazards and anticipate potential problems, as well as read live map and traffic data to make route adjustments for time efficiency. To make this a reality, lots of real-time data will need to be collected and shared over a network so that autonomous, immediate adjustments can be made. [Click here to read more.](#)



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