

Water



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WELL DRILLERS – WELL DIGGERS – PUMP INSTALLERS – MANUFACTURERS & SUPPLIERS - TECHNICAL

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Who We Are

NSGWA is an Industry Association of five divisions: Well Driller's, Well Digger's, Pump Installers, Manufacturers and Suppliers and Technical. The Board of Director's consists of five volunteers and a Secretary-Treasurer. Our By-Laws, Memorandum of Association and Memorandum of Understanding with NS Environment can be found on our website: <<http://www.nsgwa.ca>>.

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Message from the Chair

Hello,

With winter now behind us its time to get ready for hopefully a busy season again. Not a long snowmobile season but what's new.

Hopefully our economy stays strong and growth continues in our province and all of Canada, regardless what government gets elected.

With water being so important and us being a small industry, it is important for us to continue to work together, provide a professional service and at a profitable rate.

This year we will be holding the AGM in Dartmouth, Friday April 25 from 1-5 at the Delta Hotel on Brownlow Avenue.

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We will be going over financials of the NSGWA, discussing ideas on the Fall Regional meeting and Nova Scotia Environment and Climate Change (NSECC) will be there talking about the updated website database and the work that is underway to update our well log submission.

We will also do a review of the CWQA Groundwater Expo, that took place in Truro in March. It was well attended by both exhibitors and attendees from all over, it was a great time. I'd like to thank Jon O'Brien from Rideau pipe and Shelly Peters from Canadian Water Quality Association (CWQA), along with a few others. They worked very hard to make this event happen.

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Message from the Chair **(continued)**

New year, new point cycle. The start of 2025 is the start of obtaining your 100 cep points in a four-year cycle. Remember 10 points for being a nsgwa member and 15 points for a region meeting, that we design to be easily accessible online or in person. It's that easy, 25 points per year. (Shouldn't be any crying about not enough points)

NSGWA had a booth in the Ideal Home Show in Halifax last month, as we have done for the last few years. I would like to thank the following volunteers: Bill Graham, Steve Full, and myself Jordan Rogers for volunteering their time at the booth. The home show is three days long, and it would be nice to have a few more volunteers, so people could do half days instead of full days. You get a point per hour for manning the booth as well you can promote your own business to people that ask you questions

Jordan Rogers
NSGWA Chair

Upcoming Dates

NSGWA 2025 AGM

Where: **Delta Hotels Marriott,
Dartmouth, NS**

When: **Friday, April 25, 2025**

Time: **1PM – 5PM**

Agenda

1pm - 5pm

- Opening/Introductions
- NSECC Well Log Database Presentation:
New developments with well records and the well logs database.
- Financials
- New Business (upcoming meetings)
- Other Business
- Adjournment

Testing for certification will taking place in an adjacent room for those that have applied and shown their qualifications to NSECC

Coffee, tea, cookies, muffins available

Please be advised Agenda is subject to change

This **AGM** is worth **10** points.
No online option for this meeting

Recent Events

Ideal Home Show

March 28, 29, 30 2025

Another successful **Ideal Home Show** under our belt, mostly due to our steadfast volunteers. I am so grateful to you all and I hope, with so many new members, we will see some new faces manning the booth next year.

Remember these hours at the booth amount to points toward your CEP and gives valuable exposure for your company at the largest trade show in Nova Scotia.

Thank you, Bill Graham, Jordan Rogers, and Steve Full. It couldn't happen without you guys!

CWQA Groundwater Expo 2025

The Expo was a huge success. Large attendance, tons of information, good food and lots of networking. If you would like more info on individual sessions, we may be able to provide that upon request.



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New CEP points cycle started this January 1, 2025

The beginning of the new four-year cycle is now in full swing. All the points that were earned in the last cycle are no longer posted on the NSGWA website. The numbers you will see now, reflect those that have paid 2025 memberships, attended the CWQA Groundwater Expo, manned the booth at Ideal Home Show, or took individual courses on their own. If you want to know anything regarding the last cycle's points, just contact me at nsgwa@ns.aliantzinc.ca.

Moving forward, you need to make 100 points over the next four years ending on December 31, 2028. These points **must** include your membership fees (10 points per year). In other words, even if you have 100 points without having paid your membership, you still have to pay each year's membership to accomplish your certification obligations for the four-year cycle.

To keep track of your points, go to our website www.nsgwa.ca and under CEP at the top of the page, there is a pull-down menu for Diggers, Pump Installers and Drillers. Click on your certification to see the list of points.

There will continue to be online options for the Regional Meetings (which will be in the fall this year), but not for other meetings. You will be informed in each case moving forward in Newsletters and on our website. If you need more information or are having trouble navigating the process or our website, please, always feel free to contact me.