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2019 CARE AWARDS

The 2019 CARE Awards Gold Winners were announced on Saturday, Sept 21 at the Fairmont Empress. Congratulations to all! The info will be available at www.careawards.ca Project photos will be posted shortly. Thank you to CARE Awards Chair & VRBA President Jenny Martin, the CARE Awards committee, judges and our valued sponsors. The annual CARE Awards magazine will be distributed in Oct in partnership with the Times Colonist. This is the ONLY publication supported by VRBA and the CARE Awards. The media release is at <https://careawards.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/2019-CARE-Awards-Gold-Winners-Media-Release.pdf> Check out the upcoming 2-page spread of photos in the Times Colonist. Photos will be emailed to attendees in the coming weeks. Here are a few more photos of the event:

Support our sponsors supporting the CARE Awards!







2019 Gold Sponsors



Silver



Bronze



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VRBA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: WEDNESDAY NOV 13

Based on our survey of members, VRBA has moved to a lunch meeting for our General Meetings.

VRBA's Annual General Meeting is Wednesday, Nov 13 at Gorge Vale Golf Club, 1005 Craigflower Rd.

The Annual Financial Statements will be reviewed, Board of Directors will take their Oaths, and President's Awards will be presented.

Our speaker will be Jim Baker, Senior Codes Administrator, BC Building and Safety Standards presenting an overview of the proposed changes to the National Building Code. This includes a wide range of changes including:

9.23.13. seismic *[if it makes it to the NBC public review]

ICF Remove the Limitation to Single Dwelling Units

Safety Glazing Terminology

Safety Glazing for Shower and Tub Enclosures - Part 9

Open Risers in Private and Public Stairs (Part 9)

Required Landing at the Top of Stairs
Required Handrails for Stairs Serving Single Dwelling Units 1,2 or 3 Risers (Option2)
Protection of Raised Walking Surfaces
Picket Deflection. In-plane Loads on Guards
Open Stringers
Update Fire and Sound Tables
Penetrations through Fire Separations (Part 9)
Application of 9.10.14. to carports
Type of construction for detached garages
Limiting Distance and Fire Department Response
Application of 9.10.15. to Wired Glass and Glass Blocks
Protection around Cooktops
Appendix Note Revision (Flat ICF Walls)
Correct the formula for Basic Footing Widths and Areas
Standard for Insulating Concrete Form Units
Lateral Support of ICF Foundation Walls
Lateral Support of ICF Foundation Walls (Top)
Lateral Support of ICF Foundation Walls (Bottom)
Coatings of connectors and fasteners in contact with masonry
Coatings of connectors and fasteners in contact with pressure treated wood
Fasteners and Connectors for Wood-Frame Construction
Structural Analysis for Anchorage of Building Frames
Roof Trusses
Installation of Thermal Insulation
Protection of Vapour Barriers
Vapour Barrier Materials
Location of Low Permeance Materials
Include ICF in General Cladding Application
Attachment of Cladding to Flat ICF Walls
Exterior Insulation Finish Systems, Application, Geometrically Defined Drainage Cavity
Gypsum Board Application for Flat ICF Walls
Grab bars in bathtubs and showers
Location of Exhaust Discharge
Measured Airtightness
Prescriptive Solutions for Energy Tier Compliance
Tiered Performance Requirements

HVAC Equipment Performance Requirements

Service Water Heating Equipment Performance Standards

Alignment of Subsection 9.36.5. with Energuide Rating System

Referencing the EnerGuide Rating System in 9.36.5.

This event has been submitted to BC Housing, Licensing and Consumer Services for one hour of Continuing Professional Development (CPD) for Licensed Builders in British Columbia.

AGM Agenda

11:30 am – Reception

11:45 am - AGM/President's Awards

12 noon - Lunch

12:15 pm - Speaker

Cost: Members: \$40 + GST

Future members: \$60 + GST

RSVP required: Debra at admin@vrba.ca

VRBA DUFFER HOCKEY Sept 4 – May 27



There are still spots available for our annual co-ed duffer hockey. The schedule starts Sept 4 and ends May 27, 2020. We play Wednesday nights for a total of 37 games and all games are from 9:15 pm - 10:30 pm (with a quick 5-min warmup) at Oak Bay Rec. No contact, no slapshots, no scorekeeping – just fun pond hockey. The total cost is \$650 per person including tax (will be pro-rated). We are looking for full-time players only.

Please contact Casey at admin@vrba.ca

VRBA MEMBERSHIP

New Members:

CWH Construction – Craig White

Membership Applicants:

MacMinn Contracting – Alan MacMinn

Upward Elements Contracting Inc – Alison Melis, Ryan Ward and Laurie Melis

VRBA continues to look for opportunities to maximize your membership value!

VRBA BUILDERS COUNCIL MEETINGS: WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 16; WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 20

On Wed October 16, 12 noon – 1 pm, Builders Council will feature a presentation by Anton Van Dyk, Centra Windows on options for windows for energy efficient home construction and achieve levels required by Built Green and the BC Step Code.

On Wed Nov 20, 12 noon – 1pm, Grahame Strawson, Manager Commercial Real Estate, Coast Capital Savings will deliver a presentation on Construction Financing - what's expected by lenders, construction financing options, and

establishing credit for spec homes, subdivisions and multi-family projects. RSVP admin@vrba.ca

All are welcome and pizza and pop will be served. These Builders Council meetings have been submitted to BC Housing, Licensing and Consumer Services for 1 CPD credit each for Builder Licensing.

JOIN BCCA EMPLOYEE BENEFIT TRUST

Does your company need a benefits program? VRBA partners with BCCA Employee Benefit Trust, to take advantage of a great flexible package designed for the construction industry. Plans are affordable and easy to set up. Contact Charlene da Cruz or Laura Bonney at info@bccabenefits.ca.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct 16 – Builders Council with Anton Van Dyk, Cantra Windows, 12:00 noon – 1 pm. RSVP admin@vrba.ca

Nov 5 & 6 - Murray Frank, The Mechanicals Series, Controlling Comfort in Net Zero Homes www.buildingitright.com

Nov 13 – VRBA AGM & Jim Baker, BC Building & Safety Standards 11:30 am – 1 pm; Gorge Vale Golf Club

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Nov 20 - Builders Council with Grahame Strawson, Coast Capital Savings, 12 noon – 1 pm. RSVP admin@vrba.ca

Jan 15 – Crystal Ball Housing Forecast

EDUCATION & TRAINING



Licensing & Consumer Services Branch of BC Housing approved offerings for CPD builder licensing [click here](#)

Murray Frank's Building It Right Courses www.buildingitright.com 65 CPD points available online!

Victoria - The Mechanicals Series, Controlling Comfort in Net Zero Homes – 14 CPD, 7 each day

Tues, Nov 5, 2019 | Wed, Nov 6, 2019

Early Bird Pricing! Only for limited time!

2-Day: **\$499** (reg. \$645)

1-Day: **\$269** (reg. \$345)

Session 1: The Basics of Air | 3.5 Hours

Session 2: Ventilation - Why and How | 3.5 Hours

Session 3: Heating and Cooling - From Hearth to Heat Pump | 3.5 Hours

Session 4: Plugging the Holes - Inviting In Free Energy, and Trapping Escaping Energy | 3.5 Hours

Register: <https://constructivehomesolutions.thundertix.com/events/146563>

Online webinar on changes to the 2018 BC Building Code

<https://constructivehomesolutions.thundertix.com/events/136663>

Get your CPD at Sea <http://buildingitright.com/cpd-at-sea.html>

Info on job grants <http://buildingitright.com/applying-for-grants.html>

Hands-on Training <http://buildingitright.com/>

VICA: Builder Education Courses from the Vancouver Island Construction Association available at the [VICA Calendar](#). To get the VRBA member discount contact: Contact Chenelle Falconer, Education Coordinator, Ph:

250.388.6471 education@vicabc.ca View courses at <https://www.vicabc.ca/training/find-a-course-course-calendar/>

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