

76th Annual Truck Loggers Association  
**CONVENTION  
 + TRADE SHOW**  
 2019

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Wednesday, January 16, 2019

	Room	Start Time	End Time
<b>Registration Opens</b>	Westin Foyer	7:00am	5:00pm
<b>Continental Breakfast</b> - Grab a coffee & snack before the sessions start!	Upper Foyer	7:00am	8:00am
<b>Welcome</b> <a href="#">Mike Richardson – President, TLA</a> <a href="#">Musqueam First Nation Welcome &amp; Blessing</a>	Stanley Park Ballroom	8:00am	8:30am
<b>The Inside Story of the Political Battle for BC</b> Authos of "A Matter of Confidence" <a href="#">Rob Shaw, The Vancouver Sun</a> <a href="#">Richard Zussman, Global BC</a>	Stanley Park Ballroom	8:30am	9:30am
<b>A Look Forward</b> A Business investment decisions will be made based in what we will likely have to work with regarding the forecast of forest product markets and the global economy. <a href="#">Paul Quinn, RBC</a>	Stanley Park Ballroom	9:30am	10:15am
<b>Coffee Break</b>	Upper Foyer	10:15am	10:45am
<b>Get Ready - USW Collective Agreement 2019</b> During 2019 will be the start of collective agreement on the BC Coast for loggers and sawmill workers. Contractors were frustrated being left out of the last collective agreement negotiation and then forced to absorb associated imbedded costs. This panel will provide an update on recent negotiation trends seen so far in the interior and what to expect for the coast. <a href="#">Michael Kilgallin, Roper Greyell LLP</a> Contractor rights relating to union agreements under Labour regulations; options for new labour collective agreement. Labour movement trends under the new government – labour code changes. <i>Other panelists to be confirmed</i>	Stanley Park Ballroom	10:45am	11:45am
<b>Keynote Lunch - The New Zealand Style of "Making it Work"</b> Falcon Forestry Equipment's Dale Ewers, whose companies include 14 logging operations spread throughout New Zealand, speaks to conference delegates about a range of innovative new logging systems that his large team of loggers and equipment designers have developed and implemented. The largest selling innovation has been the camera grapple carriage that removes the need for men to go on the slope, to hook logs. <a href="#">Dale Ewers, Owner, Moutere Logging and DC Equipment, New Zealand</a> How timberland owners and contractors work to achieve success in the New Zealand forest industry.	Stanley Park Ballroom	12:15pm	1:30pm
<b>Coffee Break</b>	Upper Foyer	1:30pm	1:45pm
<b>Making Tech Work for You</b> Using technology to deliver efficiencies in data management, communications, and drones – in other words how tech can make your business better (particularly for your supervisors!). <b>Electronic Time Cards</b> - <a href="#">Sara Hipson, Timber Tracks Inc.</a> <b>Remote Communication</b> - <a href="#">Aaron Gowanlock, Townsend Bros Construction Co. Ltd.</a> <b>Drones for Logging Operations</b> - <a href="#">Mark Stanley, Work Safe Inc.</a>	Stanley Park Ballroom	1:45pm	3:15pm
<b>Wildfire Fighting - What Contractors Saw and What Needs to Change</b> Contractor concerns observed during the 2018 wildfires and discussions on how to improve the province's effectiveness in forest fighting for 2019.	Stanley Park Ballroom	3:30pm	5:00pm
<b>President's Welcome Reception</b>	Lower Foyer	5:00pm	7:30pm

## TLA ANNUAL SPONSORS

### PREMIER



### DIAMOND



### SUPPORTING



Thursday, January 17, 2019	Room	Start Time	End Time
<b>Registration Opens</b>	Westin Foyer	7:00am	5:00pm
<b>Loggers Breakfast Buffet</b>	Upper Foyer	7:00am	8:30am
<b>AGM - For TLA Members Only</b>	Cyprus Room	8:00am	10:00am
<b>Big Picture Issues for Small Business</b> A higher elevation view of the broad issues affecting small businesses that have been introduced by the NDP government – new taxes, policy changes, commitment to UNDRIP – learn how these speakers see making it work (or not). <i>Panelists to be Confirmed</i>	Stanley Park Ballroom	10:00am	11:30am
<b>Networking Time</b>	Upper Foyer	11:30am	12:00pm
<b>Leaders' Luncheon</b>	Stanley Park	12:00pm	1:30pm
<b>Trade Show Opens</b>	Grand Blrm.	1:30pm	5:30pm
<b>Trade Show Networking &amp; Coffee</b>	Grand Blrm.	1:30pm	2:00pm
<b>Labour Shortage - What Are We Going to do About It?</b> If the forest industry is to continue benefiting from global markets, who are the stakeholders that we expect to deal with the aging workforce and an acute skilled labour shortage. Contractors need people TODAY! What is the strategy and who is trying to help fill the gaps? <i>Lucy Sager, All Nations Driving Academy</i> <i>Dan O'Brien, O'Brien Group</i> <i>John Betts, Western Forestry Contractors Association</i>	Stanley Park Ballroom	2:00pm	3:15pm
<b>Legalization of Marijuana</b> Marijuana is on its way to legalization in Canada. The Supreme Court of Canada has issued a new decision that sets out employee obligations and employer rights relating to drug policies, testing, addiction and discipline. While the incompatibility of marijuana in the workplace is relatively obvious, there are several tricky issues that require a deeper understanding and analysis. This panel session will prepare workplaces of all sizes on the proactive steps that can be taken generally and what reactive options can be applied individually, when marijuana shows up in the workplace. <i>Panelists to be Confirmed</i>	Stanley Park Ballroom	3:30pm	5:00pm
<b>Loggers' Dinner &amp; Comedy Theatre</b> Reception 5:30pm - 6:30pm Dinner 6:30pm - 8:00pm Comedian 8:00pm - 9:00pm <i>Tim Nutt, Comedian</i>	Stanley Park	5:30pm	9:00pm
<b>Loggers' Lounge</b> After some laughs with our comedian, continue the good times with friends in a lounge environment along with music and libations.	Cyprus Room	9:00pm	12:00am

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HOTELS & RESORTS

## The Westin Bayshore

Hotel reservations:

**1(800)937-8461**

When making your reservations, be sure to mention that you are a delegate of the TLA's 2019 convention.

**Book before January 4, 2019  
for the  
TLA Group Rate!**

## TRADE SHOW VIEWING HOURS

**Thursday, January 17, 2019**

1:30pm – 5:30pm

**Friday, January 19, 2019**

11:30am – 1:30pm

4:30pm - 5:00pm

6:00pm – 10:00pm

## CONVENTION REGISTRATION

**Order your event tickets online!**

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Registration is available online 24 hours a day! Remember, you are able to go back into your registration to make changes on your own!

REGISTRATION FEES	MEMBER	NON-MEMBER	PRICE AFTER DEC 7th (Members)	PRICE AFTER DEC 7th (Non-Members)
<b>All-Inclusive Convention Pass (Members Only - Max. 200)</b> <i>Includes all meals, sessions and ticketed events except the Spousal Event.</i>	\$995.00	N/A	\$1095.00	N/A
<b>3-Day Session Pass</b> <i>Includes all non-ticketed sessions</i>	\$650.00	\$750.00	\$750.00	\$850.00
<b>1-Day Session Pass</b> <i>Includes all non-ticketed sessions for a single day. Tickets to special events can be purchased separately.</i>				
<b>Wednesday</b>	\$350	\$450	\$400	\$500
<b>Thursday</b>	\$300	\$400	\$350	\$450
<b>Friday</b>	\$350	\$450	\$400	\$500

TICKETED EVENTS	MEMBER	NON-MEMBER	PRICE AFTER DEC 7th (Members)	PRICE AFTER DEC 7th (Non-Members)
<b>Wednesday</b> <i>Keynote Luncheon - Dale Ewers</i>	\$100	\$110	\$110	\$110
<b>Thursday</b> <i>Leaders' Luncheon</i>	\$100	\$110	\$110	\$110
<i>Loggers' Dinner &amp; Comedy Theatre</i>	\$100	\$110	\$110	\$110
<b>Friday</b> <i>Spouse Event</i>	\$100	\$110	\$110	\$110
<i>Lunch on the Trade Show Floor</i>	\$45	\$55	\$55	\$55
<i>A Meeting with the Minister</i>	\$100	\$110	\$110	\$110
<i>Suppliers' Night (incl. after party)</i>	\$100	\$110	\$110	\$110

Friday, January 18, 2019

	Room	Start Time	End Time
<b>Registration Opens</b>	Westin Foyer	7:00am	5:00pm
<b>Continental Breakfast</b> - Grab a coffee & snack before the sessions start!	Upper Foyer	7:30am	9:00am
<b>Let's Talk Business Over Breakfast</b> Business matters discussion on issues such as succession planning, negotiating, business structure, and starting and ending your business(s). Your chance to get advice on critical issues affecting your business. <a href="#">Chris Duncan, MNP LLP</a> <a href="#">Peter Pringle, JLT Canada</a> <a href="#">Kristen Nielson, Inland Group</a>	Stanley Park Ballroom	7:30am	9:00am
<b>Rate Models – Hourly Equipment Rates</b> The development of standard rate models was the first recommendation of the Contractor Sustainability Review. In support of this recommendation, the TLA has partnered with TimberTracks to prepare Hourly Equipment Rates for logging specific equipment in the province of BC. <a href="#">Panelists to be Confirmed</a>	Stanley Park Ballroom	9:00am	10:00am
<b>We Are Not In Business Without A Working Forest</b> Where it is old growth timber on Vancouver Island, caribou in the Kootenays, the area of working forest doesn't ever seem to be growing. That's a problem because our sector relies on sustainably managed forests to be in business. The presentation will cover the issues affecting (or soon will be) our ability to harvest timber and manufacture forest products. <a href="#">Panelists to be Confirmed</a>	Stanley Park Ballroom	10:15am	11:30am
<b>Trade Show Open</b>	Grand Blrm.	11:30am	1:30pm
<b>Trade Show Lunch</b>	Grand Blrm.	12:00pm	1:30pm
<b>Spouse Event</b> During a successful career as a CEO in the Skateboard Industry and after being chosen as one of Vancouver's top 40 under 40, Kelly Jablonski's goal of competing as a world class Road Cyclist took an abrupt turn when he Boarded Flight 204 to attend a business summit with a group of 7 other business leaders. Kelly is the founder of Just Giver 4 Parkinson's and the humble recipient of Queen Elizabeth II's Diamond Jubilee Medal (2012) an award served to honor significant contributions and achievements by Canadians. <a href="#">Rebecca Menini, BC Children's Hospital</a> <a href="#">Kelly Jablonski, Speaker</a>	Cyprus Room	11:30am	2:00pm
<b>Working Relationships – Making It Work</b> How do we all "make it work" given the immense dynamic of the BC forest industry? The Contractor Sustainability Review identifies the underlying problem is relationships between contractors and major licensees. We will hear from panelists on their views of making it work. <a href="#">Lennard Joe, Stuwix Resources Ltd.</a> <a href="#">Kevin Horsnell, CANFOR</a>	Stanley Park Ballroom	1:30pm	2:45pm
<b>TLA Forestry Education Fund Presentation of Annual Scholarship Awards:</b> <b>Presenters:</b> <a href="#">Doug Donaldson, Ministry of Forests</a> <a href="#">Dave McNaught, Seaspray Log Scaling Ltd.</a> <a href="#">Mike Richardson, Tsibass Construction Ltd.</a> <b>Speaker:</b> <a href="#">Don Banasky, PLC Incoming President</a>	Stanley Park Ballroom	2:45pm	3:00pm
<b>A Meeting with The Minister</b> The TLA Executive spend much of their volunteer time lobbying the Minister on behalf of the TLA membership. Along with his team, the TLA President will discuss the current hot topics facing logging contractors and the forest industry at large with Minister and staff, - Contractor Sustainability Review, other major forest policy initiatives, interior timber supply. Audience participation will be expected. <b>Moderator:</b> <a href="#">Tracey Russell, Inland Group</a> <a href="#">Doug Donaldson, Ministry of Forests</a> <a href="#">Mike Richardson, TLA President, Tsibass Construction Ltd.</a> <a href="#">Bill Nelson, TLA Vice President, Holbrook Dyson Logging Ltd.</a> <a href="#">Jacqui Beban, TLA Immediate Past President, Nootka Sound Timber</a>	Stanley Park Ballroom	3:15pm	4:30pm
<b>Trade Show Networking and Coffee</b>	Grand Blrm.	4:30pm	5:00pm
<b>Trade Show Closed</b>	Grand Blrm.	5:00pm	6:00pm
<b>SUPPLIERS' NIGHT DINNER + LIVE &amp; SILENT AUCTION</b>	Grand Blrm.	6:00pm	10:00pm
<b>It's a Wrap! After Party!</b>	TBD	10:00pm	12:00pm



**Cancellation policy:**

For cancellations prior to or on January 4, 2019 a 10% administration fee applies. Cancellations received after January 4, 2019 are non-refundable. Please allow 30 days for refunds.  
If you wish to transfer your registration to another individual please give us at least 24 hours advance notice.