

# WHITEWATER ONTARIO

Dear Whitewater Ontario Members:

On Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016 our Annual General Meeting will take place. Given the distance of our clubs and members we will host the AGM at two live locations:

- Glashan Public School                      28 Arlington Avenue in Centretown Ottawa
- Emergency Training Centre              827 Consilla Avenue in Peterborough

Our meeting will begin at 10:30a.m. Registered participants are asked to arrive by 10:15 so we can verify attendance, complete the registration process, and prepare for the election.

As previously communicated, we are again adding an exciting and innovative component to our meeting with online access being available through GoToMeeting Video Conference to those members who have registered using this link:

<https://goo.gl/forms/GbCiOTUVPCwoPzrm1>

All WO members attending the AGM must register for the meeting whether you plan to attend in person (Ottawa, Peterborough) or online (GTM). Only those who have registered will be permitted to vote since the ballot will be sent out electronically for the Board Election.

Hard copies of the ballots will be available to those in attendance in Ottawa and Peterborough or you may use your own device to access email and vote online. The AGM in two locations will link using the GTM service from their respective boardrooms.

By using the GoToMeeting service WO members will be able to hear the audio portion of the AGM and be able to use the chat feature to communicate with the meeting's Technical Advisor in order to ask questions or make inquiries. As well the screen viewing function will allow online registrants to see the live copies of reports and documents.

Only those registered AGM attendees will receive the link to the election ballot. Members will be able to mark their ballots electronically and submit the form. The Technical Advisor will synthesize the submissions after the link is closed and present the election results as soon as possible.

This is only the 2<sup>nd</sup> time we will utilize this format so we are aware there may still be some user issues along the way. However, this online tool has been effective at linking members and facilitating our organization to move forward in a new and exciting way.

## **The Nomination Process**

You may self-nominate for any position or nominate another individual for any position on the Board but they will need to accept the nomination prior to being placed on the ballot. We recommend contacting individuals before nominating them to gauge their willingness and interest.

To nominate yourself or someone whom you think would be a successful Board member, please click on the following link:

<http://goo.gl/forms/4p8NB4cUQs>

Nominations will be accepted electronically until the identified "Nominations Closed" item is reached on the agenda at the AGM. This will be done in advance of sending the voting link to registered members to ensure all candidates are included on the ballot.

We look forward to your participation. Please forward any questions to Donna at [info@whitewaterontario.ca](mailto:info@whitewaterontario.ca).

See you on the 19th.  
Jim Tayler  
President