# CANADIAN LAND RECLAMATION ASSOCIATION ATLANTIC CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

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### A Message from the President

On behalf of the Board of Directors for the Canadian Land Reclamation Association, Atlantic Chapter, we would like to extend our best wishes in hopes that you are all staying safe and healthy during these strange times. The virus and global pandemic have certainly had an effect on everything we do, in our personal and professional lives. There will be reaching effects on how we do things now and in the future. That said, we all look forward to a wonderful and exciting second half of 2020!

Thank you once again for your continued support of the activities of the Atlantic Chapter of the Canadian Land Reclamation Association.

Abby van der Jagt President, Atlantic Chapter Canadian Land Reclamation Association

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### Welcome New Board Members!

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Atlantic Chapter of the Canadian Land Reclamation Association, we would like to welcome several new board members and wish all the best to those stepping down.

Many thanks to Marc Skinner who served on the board for several years and was a valued asset to the team. We look forward to working with your referral, Andrew Sullivan. We also welcome Stephanie DeRuiter and Christopher Kennedy.

Looking forward to working with all of you!

### **ARC2020 Postponed**

I'm sure it won't be a surprise that the board, with the support of CLRA National, has chosen to postpone the 2020 Atlantic Reclamation Conference (ARC2020) to-2021 and will aim to continue with our fall conference the uncertainty once surrounding these types of gatherings is cleared up. In the meantime, a webinar is being planned for the week of November 16<sup>th</sup> 2020 to share projects, techniques, and technology that have been helping us stay on track throughout the pandemic. If anyone has an idea for a presentation they would be willing to give we would love to hear it! Submit your presentation by following the link at the end of the newsletter.



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### 2020 RE3 Conference Postponed

According to the National CLRA site, the Reclaim, Restore, Rewild (RE3) conference is officially postponed until June 19th to 24th 2021. Please visit the website for more details:

#### https://www.clra.ca/blog/2020/05/21.

Due to the postponement, SWS are unable to participate, however SER and CLRA will continue to host in partnership with the Université Laval. SER will be opening up their participation globally, and CLRA will be hosting the National AGM at this time as well.

All abstracts previously accepted will remain accepted. A global call for symposia, workshops, and trainings will open on August 3rd 2020, with registration for the conference reopening November 13th 2020.



New growth observed in August 2019 on stakes planted during May 2019 field workshop with David Polster

## 2019 Restoration of Drastically Disturbed Sites Workshop Update

The National CLRA site posted an article regarding the Restoration of Drastically Disturbed Sites Workshop our Atlantic CLRA Chapter hosted in May 2019, which featured both an in-class and field workshop with David Polster. The article can be viewed here:

https://www.clra.ca/blog/2020/4/1/natural -processes-restoration-of-drastically-disturbed-sites.

In August 2019 new growth was observed on most of the stakes planted (see photo above). Due to Covid-19 travel restrictions a 2020 update is not available at this time.

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### Call for Articles and Updates!

Canadian Reclamation Magazine

Spring/Summer 2020 edition is now available.

A copy can be downloaded here:

https://www.clra.ca/publications.

If you would like to submit an article or an update, please reach out to Lyndon McLean to inquire about editorial content. Lyndon can be reached at:

lyndon@delcommunications.com

Note that submissions must be received for consideration before August 13th 2020.

### We'd love to hear from you!

Contact us with your ideas and feedback on our Newsletter and submit ARC2020 webinar presentation ideas by following the link below:

Contact the CLRA

#### **New Members Welcome!**

To become a member of the CLRA, follow the link below:

Become a Member