



**PC Leader shares plans for government at Manitoba Chambers Breakfast**

**Brian Pallister**, the new Progressive Conservative Leader of Manitoba made one of his first public speaking appearances since being acclaimed leader last summer. The Official Opposition Leader spoke at the Manitoba Chambers of Commerce Breakfast series this week. Sponsored by Manitoba Heavy Construction Association (MHCA), **Chris Lorenc**, MHCA President, greeted the full room of business leaders at the Marlborough hotel and stated MHCA's mandate to create partnerships with all levels of government

and elected officials. "Sponsoring this breakfast is in keeping with a long standing MHCA tradition of facilitating public policy debate. The MHCA has sponsored cabinet ministers from the provincial and federal governments, mayoralty debates, an all-party leadership debate prior to the last provincial election and hosted a forum encouraging young people to engage in public life." says Lorenc.

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Henry Borger (incoming MHCA Chair, President Borland Construction), Bob Reidy (MHCA Chair, VP & COO Taillieu Construction), Brian Pallister, Chris Lorenc (MHCA President)

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## Welcome NEW MHCA Members !

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Services: Offers fully equipped machine shop set-up to service and supply hydraulic components to Manitoba's heavy construction industry. Also an exclusive dealer for Breaker Technology, an Astec company, for its construction and demolition products.

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## Heavy equipment sale

The Saskatchewan Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure plans to publicly sell equipment in two separate sales in November and December, 2012. The sales will occur through [www.sasksurplus.ca](http://www.sasksurplus.ca). The tentative schedule is as follows:

### November:

- 4 asphalt lab trailers
- 17 soils lab trailers
- 18 nuclear density gauges
- 1 truck mounted auger rig

It is expected that these items will be posted on the website at 5pm Tuesday, November 13th, 2012, with the sale closing on November 21, 2012 at 10am.

### December:

- 3 asphalt lab trailers
- 14 soils lab trailers
- 1 lab trailer unstocked

Please note that this schedule is subject to change and additional items may be added. Any specific questions about the equipment can be directed to Duane Lavoy at 306-787-4932.

## MHCA Media Monitor

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**"Food Prices Won't Choke Global Growth"** by Peter G. Hall - *Economic Development Canada* - (November 8, 2012)

"Volatile commodity prices have wreaked havoc with the world economy in the past decade. This summer saw yet another surge in food prices. It got many..." **Read the full article:**

<http://www.edc.ca/EN/Knowledge-Centre/Subscriptions/Weekly-Commentary/Pages/food-prices.aspx>

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**"MPI has no business in road repair decisions: Pallister"** Winnipeg Free Press - (November 1, 2012)

"Manitoba Public Insurance should stick to its mandate and leave road repair decisions to the experts at the provincial Infrastructure and Transportation Department, Conservative Leader Brian Pallister said..."

### Read the full article:

<http://www.winnipegfreepress.com/breakingnews/MPI-has-no-business-in-road-repair-decisions-Pallister-176797981.html>

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### The 20th Annual National Conference of the Canadian Council for Public-Private Partnerships

"With Canada considered 'best in class' in the global P3 market, there is much to celebrate and much to share about plans for taking P3 to the next level nationally and globally....."

### Read the full article:

<http://www.pppcouncil.ca/events/national-conference.html>

**PC Leader continued from page 1...**

Entering politics in 1992 as a member of the Progressive Conservative Party of Manitoba, Brian served as a cabinet member in the Government of Gary Filmon until 1997.

As Minister of Government Services he carried out reforms that eliminated almost 3,000 pages of statutory regulations as part of a government campaign against red tape. Additionally, Pallister was elected as the Member of Parliament for Portage-Lisgar for the Canadian Alliance Party (later to become the Conservative Party of Canada) and re-elected three times.

During his hour long speech, Pallister reflected on his early start as a financial consultant and how that business is still going strong 30 years later. "I know what many of you are going through," said Pallister relating to the challenges many business owners in the audience face.

While affable and engaging, Pallister offered very little in policy or how the PC Party of Manitoba will differentiate itself from the governing NDP party. Pallister did say he is currently meeting as many business and community leaders as possible getting feedback and simply listening to ideas. He admitted to the audience that there is pressure to release policy initiatives, but for the time being, is spending his first months as leader building a "foundation" in which to build a successful party on.

Additionally, Pallister told the audience Manitoba has to be a leader in economic growth, job creation, competitive taxes and sustainable social services and to offer the best quality of life. He also took a jab at MPI's idea of funding road repair. (See Pallister's editorial on page 2 under Media Monitor)



Brian Pallister addresses the audience MHCA sponsored Manitoba Chambers of Commerce Breakfast on November 6, 2012



Chris Lorenc, MHCA President introduces Brian Pallister to the podium

**You're Invited to Compliance Day™**

You are invited to the TDS Law Compliance Day™, a full day event for you to learn about various legal compliance issues, including in the areas of human resources, tax, the environment, business immigration and the internet. All businesses must be compliant with law; otherwise they may find the regulators come calling.

Seating for this event is limited, so please register early. This event is ideal for people in the following positions within your organization. If you are unable to attend, please pass along the invitation.

- CEOs & CFOs
- Presidents
- Vice-Presidents
- Owners/Partners
- Directors & Senior Managers
- Compliance Officers
- In-house Counsel

**Wednesday, November 14, 2012 - 7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.**

75 Forks Market Rd - Inn at the Forks  
 Free parking is available in the Forks parkade  
 Cost: Complimentary

For more info: [www.complianceday.ca/](http://www.complianceday.ca/)

## Debuting MHCA's Heavy Talk with MHCA Chairman, Bob Reidy



Manitoba Heavy Construction Association is pleased to introduce the first installment of **Heavy Talk** on **MHCA's YouTube Channel**: [www.youtube.com/ManitobaHeavy](http://www.youtube.com/ManitobaHeavy) **Heavy Talk** will be an ongoing video feature connecting MHCA's key players directly to you! The first Heavy Talk features MHCA Chairman **Bob Reidy**. In this segment, Bob reflects on his two-year term as Chair that wraps up this month, plus what he's most proud of and the challenges facing the heavy construction industry in Manitoba. You can also hear Bob Reidy's full MHCA Chairman's report at this year's MHCA AGM November 23. (See next page...)

For a direct link to Bob's Heavy Talk, click here: <http://youtu.be/s5k2qrBGqEE>

## Manitoba 'Click Before You Dig'

The MHCA is a founding member of the Manitoba Common Ground Alliance (MCGA) which has been advocating for a one call locate system for Manitoba. Representatives to its Board are Henry Borger and Chris Lorenc. On Friday, November 2, 2012 at a meeting hosted by the Manitoba Heavy Construction Association, the Manitoba Common Ground Alliance (MCGA) voted unanimously to implement Manitoba 'Click Before You Dig' for spring, 2013, with March 31 as the targeted go live date.

Scott Henley, with thirty years experience organizing and implementing One-Call Systems, has been contracted to oversee the project implementation. In a one of a kind solution and in the true spirit that "Damage Prevention is a Shared Responsibility", Quebec's "Info-Excavation" and Alberta's "Alberta One-Call Corporation" (AOC) have united to offer Manitoba a complete One Contact solution.

The MCGA will be hard at work over the next few months organizing and executing the marketing and public awareness campaigns that are required to launch Manitoba Click Before You Dig successfully.

The Manitoba Common Ground Alliance is a non-profit organization established to lead the development of consistent practices and coordination of activities to ensure the highest possible standards of public safety, worker safety and damage prevention in connection with underground infrastructure. It will be hard at work over the next few months organizing and executing the marketing and public awareness campaigns that are required to launch a Manitoba 'Click Before You Dig' service successfully.

# ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Friday, November 23, 2012 8am - 12pm  
Winnipeg Convention Center - Room 2H (2nd Floor)

Keynote Speaker:  
**Casey Vander Ploeg**  
Senior Policy Analyst, Canadian West Foundation

Casey Vander Ploeg will highlight key points from his report, At the Intersection: A Brief on the Importance of Public Infrastructure to Canada's Future Economic and Social Prospects. The report demonstrates a link between sustained investment in infrastructure and economic growth.

Awards & Membership Presentations to follow.

\$40.00 + GST/person                      No. of tickets: \_\_\_\_\_



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## CHAIRMAN'S GALA

Winnipeg Convention Centre

### 'Magical'

Friday, November 23, 2012

- Cocktails: 6:30pm
  - Dinner: 7:30pm
  - Tables of 8 and 10
- \$185 + GST / person (all inclusive)

No. of Tickets \_\_\_\_\_

Delta Winnipeg:

- Room rates starting at \$124/night
- Reservations: 1-800-311-4990
- Block Code: 1112MANI

Manitoba Heavy Construction Association

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For more information call 204-947-1379 or email christine@mhca.mb.ca

# Training Schedule

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## Winnipeg Schedule:

|                                               |               |                |                |
|-----------------------------------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|
| Safety Committee Training (1/2 day AM)        |               |                |                |
| COR™ Leadership in Safety Excellence          | October 15-16 | November 5-6   | December 3-4   |
| COR™ Principles of Health & Safety Management | October 17    | November 7     | December 5     |
| COR™ Auditor                                  | October 18-19 | November 8-9   | December 6-7   |
| Safe Work Procedures                          | October 1     | November 12    | December 10    |
| Prime Contractor                              | October 2     | November 13    | December 11    |
| Back Injury Prevention (1/2 day AM)           | October 3     | November 14    | December 12    |
| Fatigue Management (1/2 day PM)               | October 3     | November 14    | December 12    |
| Toolbox Talks (1/2 day AM)                    | October 4     | November 15    | December 13    |
| Safety Administrator (1/2 day PM)             | October 4     | November 15    | December 13    |
| New Worker Orientation (1/2 day AM)           |               |                |                |
| Train the Trainer                             | October 22-23 | November 19-20 | December 17-18 |
| WHMIS (1/2 day AM)                            | October 24    | November 21    | December 19    |
| TDG (1/2 day PM)                              | October 24    | November 21    | December 19    |
| COR™ Auditor Refresher (1/2 day AM)           | October 25    | November 22    | December 20    |
| Excavation & Trenching (1/2 day AM)           | October 26    | November 23    | December 21    |
| Flagperson (1/2 day PM)                       | October 26    | November 23    | December 21    |
| First Aid 1- CPR                              | October 26    | November 23    | December 21    |

To Register: Email: [sarah@mhca.mb.ca](mailto:sarah@mhca.mb.ca) OR Fax: 204-943-2279

**Construction Safety Excellence™**

### REMINDER:

WORKSAFELY™ requires at least six people registered to deliver the course.

### CANCELLATION POLICY

The WORKSAFELY™ policy states cancellation must be made at least two business days in advance, otherwise full course fee charge will apply.

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Customized training is available for your specific requirements.  
Call the WORKSAFELY™ Office at (204)947-1379 for more information.



# THOMPSON, MB WINTER ROADS TRAINING

Winter Roads Training will be held in Thompson Manitoba at the Thompson Royal Canadian Legion, 101 Elizabeth Drive, December 3rd – December 7th

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|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| COR™ Leadership in Safety Excellence          | December 3rd        |
| COR™ Principles of Health & Safety Management | December 4th        |
| COR™ Auditor                                  | December 5th        |
| Winter Roads Training                         | December 6th        |
| WHIMIS                                        | December 7th (a.m)  |
| Transportation of Dangerous Goods (TDG)       | December 7th (p.m.) |

**\*This training is open to anyone, Training for Aboriginal Communities building winter roads will be sponsored by Manitoba Infrastructure and Transportation**

For any other training requests and to register please contact:  
Sarah Higgins at sarah@mhca.mb.ca or by phone at 204-594-9060



Please note that a minimum of 6 students is required to hold the training. WORKSAFELY™ policy states cancellation must be made at least twobusiness days in advance otherwise full course fee charge will apply.



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## Heavy Construction

# EXPO

**April 8 - 10, 2013**

Victoria Inn,  
1808 Wellington Avenue Winnipeg, Manitoba

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## Mark Your Calendars! - EXPO Registration Coming in Early 2013

### Second Annual Manitoba Heavy Construction Association EXPO

- » Offering 80+ quality education courses for entry level, skilled labourer, equipment operator, front line supervisors and management
- » Featuring dynamic keynote speakers, interactive workshops and course content delivered by subject matter expert professional instructors
- » Providing Gold Seal Certification, human resource leadership and project management development
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**From accredited courses, to dynamic speakers, EXPO has it all!**

## WCR & HCA Annual Convention

Orlando, Florida

March 17-20, 2013

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[www.wcrhca.org](http://www.wcrhca.org)



## Deadline to Book Direct Flights is Fast-Approaching Reserve your direct flight by **Noon CST November 15, 2012**

The Western Canada Roadbuilders and Heavy Construction Association (WCR & HCA) reminds you to reserve now to ensure you benefit from the convenience and savings of a direct flight to the WCR & HCA Convention

March 17 - 20, 2013 at Disney's Yacht Club Resort Orlando, Florida.

Until **Noon CST, November 15, 2012**, WCR & HCA has reserved direct flight packages for delegates with our partner travel agency Carlson Wagonlit Travel.

To enjoy the peace of mind only direct flights can bring for you and your family, we encourage you visit [www.wcrhca.org](http://www.wcrhca.org) for Carlson Wagonlit reservation contact information, plus flight options...

## Registration for convention, air and hotel is NOW open!

[www.wcrhca.org](http://www.wcrhca.org)

Thanks to the generosity of our sponsors, participants will experience four fun filled and informative days with workshops and events exploring heavy construction's key issues and enjoying world-class entertainment.

If you require more information or have any special requests, please e-mail [info@wcrhca.org](mailto:info@wcrhca.org)

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