



Manitoba Association of Regional Recyclers **NEWS**

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MARR is a not-for-profit, membership-based and volunteer-governed organization that plays a unique and valuable role in helping Manitoba communities and their many partners implement effective and efficient waste reduction, reuse and recycling programs.

MARR members include individuals who are the "implementers" of recycling and waste reduction at the community level.

MARR provides a central place for information sharing and dialogue between communities and their peers.

MARR also provides an efficient and effective forum for government policy makers and PROs (industry stewardship program administrators) to interact and communicate with those who implement recycling and waste reduction activities at the community level.

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October 12th and 13th, 2016 - Tentative Dates for 2016 MARR Annual Forum in Winnipeg.

We are in the early stages of planning the 2016 MARR Forum in Winnipeg. Based on very limited hotel availability, it looks like **October 12th and 13th, 2016** are the most likely dates for this year's Forum. We will send you final confirmation as soon as we can. For now, please make a note in your calendar and tell your friends and colleagues.

Mike Fernandes, StrategyMakers Consulting Inc. will be coordinating the Forum on behalf of MARR. If you have any ideas for speakers, information sessions and/or tours you would like considered for the agenda, please contact Mike at 204-223-4460 or by email at mikefernandes@strategymakers.ca.

Meet your 2016 MARR Board of Directors

A Call for Nominations and Elections to the MARR Board of Directors was held over the month of June. All eligible voting members of MARR were given the opportunity to volunteer themselves or nominate a peer member and then vote for candidates via email. In the end, 23% of MARR members submitted their votes and a full 10 member Board (listed in sidebar of page 2 of this newsletter) were announced at the June 10, 2016 AGM in Winkler as your 2016 MARR Board of Directors.

A special meeting of the board was subsequently held on June 21st and we are pleased to announce the following Officers were appointed:

- Dan Robidoux (Chair), Director, ECO West
- Darryl Marsch (Vice-Chair), Vocational Services Coordinator, Eastman Recycling Services
- Pam Penner (Secretary-Treasurer), Manager Public Works City of Brandon

The Board wishes to thank departing Chair Ray Frey and departing Secretary-Treasurer Ian Broome for their many years of service and effort to MARR and to Manitoba's recycling and waste reduction community. Cheers gentlemen!

**Current MARR
Board of Directors**

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Services

Pam Penner
(Secretary-
Treasurer), Manager
Public Works City of
Brandon

Laurie Hunt,
Councillor/Deputy
Mayor, RM of St.
Andrews

Deb Odegaard,
Administrator, Flin
Flon & District
Environmental Council

Elmer Keryluk,
Councillor, RM St.
Andrews

Dave Sutherland,
Councillor, RM St.
Clements

Dave Weiss, former
President, Pembina
Valley Containers

James Bolton, CEO,
Portage & District
Recycling Inc.

Bob Giesbrecht,
Director, SWAMP
Waste Authority

MARR Administrator:
Karen Johnston

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What You Need to Know – Important News & Announcements for Manitoba’s Community Recycling & Waste Reduction Sector

- **Call2Recycle** has launched a new public education campaign to promote battery recycling. Check out www.call2recycle.ca/summersmile for details and encourage your residents to participate.



- Call2Recycle, and Take Pride Winnipeg, have also launched a Manitoba-wide Back-to-School Battery Recycling Contest to motivate kids to recycle batteries and help the environment. Manitoba schools, enter at www.call2recycle.ca/back2school/ by July 22 to win prizes up to \$3000.
- Help spread the word to farmers in your area...Manitoba farmers can now recycle bale/silage wrap, twine and grain bags. **CleanFARMS Inc.**, with funding assistance from **Green Manitoba**, will accept materials at 7 collection sites across the province. [Click here to see a list of sites and details about the program.](#) Municipalities interested in participating as a collection site for the fall 2016 collection period, or next year in 2017, are encouraged to call CleanFARMS toll-free at 1-877-622-4460.
- Looking for a business directory that provides a one-stop shop for information about Manitoba’s environment-friendly building products and services? **Green Manitoba** encourages you to visit www.greenbuildingproductsmb.ca and www.greenbuildingservicesmb.ca where you can also create your company’s business profile.
- CBCRA announces that Manitoba's beverage container recovery rate continues to improve with 55% more containers recycled in 2015 than in 2010. Over 45,000 Recycle Everywhere bins are now in public places across Manitoba making it convenient for consumers to recycle beverage containers. Visit RecycleEverywhere.ca to get your free bins today.

Have news to share with Manitoba’s recycling and waste reduction community? Interested in advertising in future newsletters? Email office@marrmb.com for details.

MARR is a volunteer-led, member-driven organization. Here are three ways you can help us make MARR responsive to your needs...

1. Encourage your colleagues and peers to become members of MARR. Contact us for details and application forms.
2. Consider volunteering or nominating someone from your organization to stand for election to MARR Board of Directors.
3. Send us your ideas for MARR site tours, events, topics, speakers, etc.

You are the grassroots of Manitoba's community and regional recycling and waste reduction efforts. Get engaged in MARR activities.

Do you need to stay connected to Manitoba's recycling and waste reduction sector? Would your team benefit from sharing ideas and information with their recycling and waste reduction peers across Manitoba? Does your team need to keep up to date on Manitoba's solid waste and recycling regulations, policies and funding programs?

You've come to the right place! Join MARR today.
MARR memberships are available in a wide range of categories.

Details and Membership Application Forms are now available online. Just click on the appropriate link below:

[*Municipalities and First Nations/Northern Affairs Communities click here*](#)

[*Recycling collectors, processors and service providers click here*](#)

[*Industry/Corporate entities, Producer Responsibility Organizations, Government and public sector agencies, ENGOs and other interested groups or individuals click here*](#)

- ✓ *Members received priority registration and special discounted rates for all MARR events, including the Annual MARR Forum*



- ✓ *Members also receive priority registration and special discounted rates on exclusive site tours and educational visits to see Manitoba's innovative recycling and waste reduction operations*

