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MOPIA's 31st AGM a Success



MOPIA's 31st Annual General Meeting was successfully held on April 23, 2025.

MOPIA welcomed 2 new people onto our Board of Directors: Will Thrift & Donald Baker.

Reports were shared from MOPIA's Chair, John Kubilanski and Mark Miller. The 31st Annual Report highlighted our activities and accomplishments.

Kent Cielen, Treasurer, shared the Auditors Report for the 2023-24 fiscal year and the related financial statements. He highlighted that MOPIA secured the purchase of a new headquarters at 845 Henderson. Winnipeg possession taking place mid November 2024.

MOPIA is hosting a series of outreach sessions beginning in late May in Brandon at ACC. Many other locations are planned such as Winkler, Winnipeg, Steinbach Portage la Prairie, Dauphin, etc. See locations, dates and times via our website at www.mopia.ca

MOPIA's New Board Members



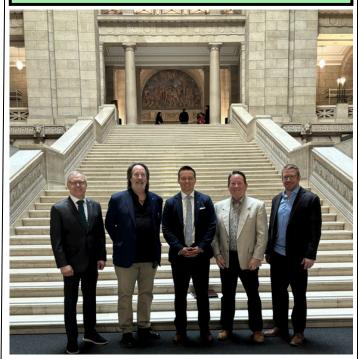


MOPIA is appreciative to have Will Thrift and Donald Baker join our team of volunteer Board of Directors for a two year term. They will help diversify and provide insight from the industry sectors MOPIA is involved.

Will Thrift is a rep from Midwest Engineering who actively promotes environmentally responsible practices within the refrigerant-using commercial HVAC industry.

Donald Baker is an experienced HVAC technician from a company his grandparents began back in 1970 (Custom Vac). Donald is strong advocate for industry innovation.

MOPIA meets with Manitoba's Minister of Environment & **Climate Change**



MOPIA embraced and was thankful at the opportunity to formally meet with Manitoba's Minister of Environment and Climate Change at his office at the Manitoba Legislative Building on May 6.

Attending from MOPIA was Kent Cielen (Treasurer), John Kubilanski (Chair), Mark Miller (Executive Director) and Will Thrift (Board Member) - all seen above with Minister Mike Moyes (Centre).

The discussion involved the importance of regulation amendments to update and better harmonize with federal and international controls, enforcement, stewardship of white goods and supporting First Nations recover refrigerants. MOPIA also shared our many successes, training scope and the importance of maintaining our financial sustainability as a not-forprofit organization by reviewing/updating and fairly increasing our fees to our industry stakeholders.



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Plan to attend on of MOPIA's annual program update, awareness and engagement forums in a community near you. Starting on May 21 at ACC in Brandon and headed next to Steinbach on June 17 and onward. See www.mopia.ca

These events will be approximately one hour in length typically over a lunch hour and include updates on trends, regulatory requirements and time to hear ideas and concerns from you. Environment Enforcement staff are planning to participate to hear any non compliance and related issues.

If you want to hear the latest from MOPIA and other stakeholders and even share information, plan to attend. Each event is absolutely free, include a light lunch and snacks and maybe even a variety of pop and water.

While it is not mandatory to register in advance, we encourage you to do so to ensure we have enough food and refreshments. Send a text to 204 599 8988 or email mopia@mopia.ca to confirm how many and which location.

MOPIA Enlists our 2025 CSJ Staff A Vibrant & Youthful Team







MOPIA is pleased to welcome back Duran and Jesse (seen above) along with new recruits Dallas, Seth and Briana (below) to our 2025 staff team. MOPIA receives support from the Canada Summer Jobs program and applies for employment sponsorship from a variety of other sources. Seaira (top left) was promoted to our front line PR executive team having recently completed Human Resource management from RRC.







New 25-26 Certification Cards



All service technicians will be receiving new wallet certification cards upon renewal. Renew online with MOPIA now, its easy. www.mopia.ca NOTE: Any Postal Strike may delay distribution.

Canada's New Minister of Environment and Climate Change



The Hon. Julie Dabrusin was sworn in as Canada's Minister of Environment and Climate Change with Prime Minister Mark Carneys new Cabinet on May 13, 2025.

She was raised in Montreal and pursued a law degree in Toronto. She was first elected in 2015 in a Toronto riding.

