Message from the President

From the desk of the President, Martin Poulin

I would like to wish you all a happy Biomedical/Clinical Engineering Appreciation Week. I do hope you had a chance to celebrate and promote the great work you do to facilitate the maintenance and development of safe and effective medical technology. At Island Health we managed to get an article into the weekly newsletter and had some information booths located in central locations to make staff and the public aware of our role in healthcare.

It will be great to see a lot of you at the World Congress which is only a few weeks away. If you have not yet registered or made travel arrangements, now’s the time. This is a unique opportunity to attend an international conference on Biomedical Engineering and Imaging Physics. Cheers, Martin

World Congress: Special Sessions for Clinical Engineering

From the desk of the Vice–President, Mike Capuano

For Clinical Engineers and BMETs, WC2015 aims to address important issues that affect our field; specifically in–house programs in our hospitals. A World Summit on Medical Device Supportability is being held on Wednesday June 10th (10:30AM– 12) – Rm 713A. This do–not–miss event is sure to attract all who are interested in the success of
our in-house CE programs. The session will be interactive and will look for all viewpoints on current client/vendor challenges. These may include difficulties obtaining service information and parts for certain products and technologies. Do we go along with the vendor tide or do we make a stand and vouch for better and more cost effective support of medical devices in hospitals?

For those interested in improving their CE program, there is a session on Challenges and Benefits of Clinical Engineering Peer Review. This will cover all of the steps needed leading up to peer review and the challenges faced along the way. The session takes place on Tuesday, June 9th 2015 (8AM–10) – Rm 701A. The CMBES Peer Review Program is designed to affirm well-established programs, provide recognition of excellence in Clinical Engineering, and to provide programs with a baseline for improvement and knowledge exchange. This presentation will cover the necessary steps as well as past experiences and perspectives. The benefits of Peer Review and the most challenging aspects of the process will be examined.

World Congress: CMBES Booth # 2305

CMBES will be exhibiting at the World Congress in Toronto. Please make sure to stop by our booth #2305 to say hi, meet the Executive team, learn more about the Society, membership benefits, the 2016 CMBES Conference in Calgary and participate in the draw! You can win a complimentary delegate registration to the 2016 CMBES conference and a one–year online subscription to the Journal of Clinical Engineering, including online access to all current and past articles published in the journal.

We are looking forward to seeing you in Toronto!

Welcome to New CMBES Members!
From the desk of the Membership Committee Chair, Sarah Kelso

A new and exciting feature in our monthly bulletins is a welcome to new CMBES members.

When new candidates apply for CMBES membership, each application is reviewed individually before final approval. Upon approval each new member is sent a welcome package including a sealed certificate of CMBES membership. This process is run on a monthly cycle.

In the new member process, we do not include individuals whose memberships have temporarily lapsed, but we do include anyone who has been away from the Society for five years or longer. This is an excellent opportunity to welcome these individuals back and thank them for returning to our membership, as the diversity of our membership is one of our greatest strengths. Please join me in welcoming the following new members (applications approved in April 2015):
Biomedical Engineering Appreciation Week  
*From the desk of the Chair of Professional Affairs Committee, Andrew Ibey*

Like most professional organizations in the hospital such as nursing, pharmacy and physiotherapists we need to toot our own horn too! Biomedical Engineering appreciation week took place May 17–23rd, 2015 this year. Our colleagues on the West Coast Vancouver Island provided photographic proof of what it’s all about.

We all hope you got the recognition that you deserved! If you have any ideas we could consider for next year’s planning please send an email to the professional affairs representative, Andrew Ibey.

Nanaimo Regional General Hospital, Nanaimo BC  
Dov, Layla, Tammy, Alan, Delmar, Vladimir, Ryan, Rodger  

Royal Jubilee Hospital, Victoria, BC  
Roy and Co–op students Dylon and Sebastion

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**CMBES WEBINAR SURVEY SUMMARY**  
*From the desk of the Vice–President, Mike Capuano*

Earlier this month we asked for your feedback and thoughts on the future CMBES webinars’ topics to help us tailor the CMBES Webinar program to your educational needs. The Survey was sent to the CMBES database of industry contacts. A total of 37 surveys were completed. The main objective of the survey was to find out the topics of
The Survey reported that over 63% respondents would like to learn about IT in Biomed, 45% would be interested in learning more about Xray /CT/ MRI and 42% of respondents would like to learn about CMBES Clinical Engineering Standards of Practice. The other two topics that ranked highly were Incident Investigation and Cardiac Signals and Hemodynamics.

The respondents were offered an opportunity to suggest their own topics of interest. We received many good suggestions. We will be considering the proposed topics for our future educational programs.

We also asked how often we should be offering the webinars and what day of the week would work the best. Many responded that webinars should be offered once every three months and Friday would be the best day for the educational opportunities.

As a special gesture of appreciation for sharing the valuable feedback, we offered an opportunity to win a free webinar registration to one of the survey’s participants, selected on a random draw among the submitted names.

We are pleased to announce that the Winner of the draw is Karen Samson! Congratulations!

Karen Samson, M.Sc. Biomedical Eng Jr, CHU de Québec

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**Professional Affairs Update**

*From the desk of the Chair of Professional Affairs Committee, Andrew Ibey*

Looking to advance your career, showcase competency or give yourself a challenge? Consider a certification in biomedical engineering! There are many different certifications that may interest you! Visit the [certifications](#) page for more details.

Certified Clinical Engineer (CCE) – **Deadline for Canadian Applicants July 11, 2015**
Certified Biomedical Engineering Technologist (CBET)
***NEW*** Certified Healthcare Technology Manager (CHTM)

If you would like to know more about one of the certifications, CMBES will try to link you with someone who is already certified to answer your questions, please send an email to the professional affairs representative, [Andrew Ibey](mailto:Andrew.Ibey@CMBES.ca)
CMBES Forum Update
From the desk of the Secretary, Michael Hamilton

Have you been keeping up with the CMBES Forum? To join in, simply sign into your CMBES Network account and select “Forum” from the drop down box. Outlook users can also receive CMBES posts in their inbox by following some simple instructions. If you haven’t logged in recently, here’s some of what you’ve been missing:

Zeiss VISULAS 690s
Friday, May 22, 2015, 11:20:30 AM by Michael Hamilton
I'm looking for service manuals and PM procedures for the Zeiss Winkle Visulas 690s photodynamic...

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General Electric
Friday, May 22, 2015, 8:49:10 AM by Bob_Best
I can't believe General Electric is looking to employ a National Interventional Sales Specialist...

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GE DASH Monitor Backlight Lamps
Friday, May 15, 2015, 11:15:13 AM by JeanLouisSala
I am looking to source the backlight lamps for the GE DASH monitors 3000/4000/5000...

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