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In the Penalty Box



ATTENTION!

There are a number of ATs about to be put on the suspension list for failure to renew their memberships by January 31st, 2013. The OATA membership renewal period began last November and people took immediate advantage of early renewal. **Suspension of unpaid members starts on February 1.** There is a late fee of \$25 per month. **Following this suspension period, individuals who have not renewed their membership by March 31 must petition the Executive Committee/Board and pay a reinstatement fee.** You will have no access to the OATA website. You will have to call to get the Reinstatement Form. Those outstanding must complete a Petition for Reinstatement Form and provide a brief explanation of why renewal could not be completed on time. Petitions to the Board for reinstatement will be put on the agenda at the next available meeting of the OATA Board of Directors.

Big Savings for a Few

As of January 31st, almost 20% of the membership took advantage of Hub's professional liability insurance coverage. OATA negotiated this new program to secure discounts for you and to offer insurance coverage consistent with RHPA requirements. As for the Group Auto & Home Insurance through the Waterloo Insurance Company, we are proud to report that every member who requested quotes for their auto and home insurance signed up; a success rate of 100%. Congratulations to these members who ended up saving between 15% and 25% and are also now receiving higher limits of coverage. Highlights for the new Group Home/Condominium/Tenants & Auto Insurance Program include:

- 25% discount off Waterloo's regular rates on auto insurance.
- 20% discount off Waterloo's regular rates for homeowners insurance.
- Dedicated Insurance Broker, Al Dicarolo and team.
- Free Claims Assistance from Hub International's Claims Assistance Department



Hub and Waterloo will continue to provide competitive quotes to ATs. These are potentially large savings.



Contact your HUB International representatives for a quote today.
Bob Burns, Professional Liabilities at 1-800-563-9441 ext 242
Al Dicarolo, Home and Auto Insurance at 1-800-563-9441 ext 228



OATA Supports EATA



From January 4th to the 7th, OATA President, Drew Laskoski attended the 65th Annual Eastern Athletic Trainers' Association (EATA) Meeting and Clinical Symposium in Buffalo, New York. EATA attended our 2011 conference and we are experiencing cross-border support and strengthening this relationship.

April AGM with Board Election **VOTE**

Stay tuned for an update on our 2013 AGM date and venue. Although CATA will be in Toronto in May for its conference, there was no room in their conference schedule to fit OATA's AGM, so we will be organizing something for April. Please save the April 13th date to attend the AGM. There will be positions opening up on the OATA Board and we hope a number of you will consider some of these one and two year commitments. Board positions will be advertised with the AGM announcement.

What is Quiz Bowl

Quiz Bowl is a regularly-scheduled competition that challenges participants on topics in sports medicine. The EATA created this competition to include the students in their organization in a fun, yet challenging test of what they had learned over their academic endeavors. The challenge was extended to the OATA to attend the first-ever International Quiz Bowl. The format was a Jeopardy-style competition with topics ranging from anatomy, orthopedic special tests, common injuries etc.

Team Canada members were **Jessie Dalton** and **Michael Robinson** from Sheridan College, **Brandon Downing** from York University and **Sarah Rose** from Concordia University. The EATA competitors were the winners from District 1 and 2 who had won the previous night. The competition was fast, furious and very exciting as the lead changed back and forth. In final Jeopardy-style the correct answer of Kienboch's Disease wrapped up the first International Quiz Bowl Competition for Team Canada. Who cares about the World Junior Hockey Championships!!

Congratulations to Team Canada and our OATA members!!!



*Get ready
to Vote.
Fill a
Board
Position.*



AGM 2013 ATs on the Ball

Saturday, April 27, 2013 | Online registration coming soon...

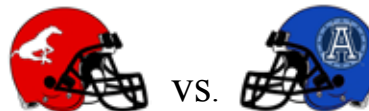
Grey Cup Contest Winner

In November, we asked members to “Give us Your Best AT Story”. We received quite a few entries from members about experiences responding to multiple injuries, while working a sporting event. Join us in congratulating Jill Bell, for her winning story. Here is an excerpt from Jill’s story of working with Peel Region football while in her third year of the Athletic Therapy program at Sheridan College.

Thursday November 15, 2012

In school they prepare you to work with athletes, but now I was face to face with a three year old that got a full tilt running back’s helmet square in the middle of her forehead! She had a major laceration across her forehead and her frontal bone was caved in.

Jill Bell



For her submission, Jill won two tickets to the 100th Anniversary of the Grey Cup where the host Argonauts defeated the Calgary Stampeders 35-22. Jill also won a framed collection of Canada Post’s 100th Grey Cup Anniversary memorial stamps with first day covers. The OATA was pleased with the participation the contest generated and is planning future contests. Be sure to keep an eye on the OATA website and “like us” on Facebook so you don’t miss the next chance to win amazing prizes.

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