## CGSA GREENMATTER ONTARIO JANUARY 2014 SUBMITTED BY JIM FLETT

Ontarian's are in the midst of an old fashioned winter with blistery cold temperatures and significant snowfall surrounding the holiday season. Ice storms caused widespread power outages throughout southern Ontario displacing many homes during Christmas. The weather is now showing a welcomed break in the cold with an early January thaw this past weekend.

OGSA's 2014 Golf Course Management Conference and Trade Show is just under two weeks away running January 22-24 at the Westin Harbour Castle, Toronto. If you have not registered do so immediately to avoid the onsite registration charges. The 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event is highlighted by the Dinner and Show included in your registration thanks to the generous sponsors. Make sure to confirm your attendance to this part of the conference.

If you haven't already done so, I encourage you to review the program for the upcoming Canadian International Turfgrass Conference and Trade Show running next month from February 17th – 21st. Consider how you could both gain from attending and, at the same time, contribute to the health and success of your national professional body. With over 100 hours of education and professional development opportunities to choose from, a trade show with 90+ exhibitors and over 40 leading experts available to consult with, not to mention the tremendous social networking events that are part of the CITCTS 2014, this event provides tremendous opportunity for growth for everyone in the golf course industry, from the seasoned veteran to the new recruit and everyone in between.

Plan to be in Vancouver from February 17 to 21 to experience all that CITCTS 2014 has to offer. For details and to register online go to www.golfsupers.com/vancouver2014 or fax your registration form to 416-626-1958 or call 1-800-387-1056 or 416-626-8873 and speak to any member of the CGSA staff.

I look forward to seeing you in Vancouver at CITCTS 2014!

Best regards,

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