



April 17<sup>th</sup> 2014

## Report to CVRP

- Conference planning for Halifax 2014 is well underway, Theme is Changing Tides in VR and the speakers have been confirmed.
  - Speakers include Stuart McLean CEO WCB Nova Scotia, Dr. Stanish (changes), Dr. Matthew Burnstein (demedicalizing disability management), Dr. Kevin Kelloway (mental health), Paul Radkowski (mental health), to name a few....check our full line up online.
  - Please ensure that you register early and take advantage of the discount.
  - Invitations will also be going out to various businesses in the Atlantic regions who may have staff that might be interested in attending.
  - Sponsorship opportunities still exist.
  
- VRA new bylaws are in the final stages of board approval. They will go to the membership at the June AGM for their final vote before going to the Ministry.
  - There are some significant changes particularly Article 14 Fundamental Changes, and the member class structure for voting and non-voting. VRA will be providing a Guide for members which will highlight the significant changes to ensure they are informed prior to voting. Many of the changes are required in accordance to the new act.
  
- Rehab Matters is at the printer and will be mailed next week. Articles have been peer reviewed and we have now re-instituted our 20 questions for 2 credits. Peer-review was a requirement of CVRP to ensure these credits would be accepted.
  
- VRA Saskatchewan held their AGM on April 9<sup>th</sup> and Wanda Adair will be their president.