

UPCOMING EVENTS

- FSANL 14th Anniversary July 10
- National Forestry Week September 17 - 23
- 11th Annual Forest Industry Health and Safety Conference September 27th
- Fire Prevention Week October 8 - 14

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Message from the Executive Director

It's hard to believe that 2023 is half over. The birds are singing and the flowers have bloomed. Summer in NL is a wonderful time for travelling the province, hiking, fishing and just getting outside. We must keep in mind that even though the weather has warmed up, we still need to dress and pack appropriately for all situations.

A person can still get hypothermia when they are wet in 17 degrees of heat with a light breeze blowing. Please remember that the weather can change and the temps drop rapidly throughout the day. Take adequate clothing and remember to dress in layers.

We also need to consider the effects of ultraviolet rays from exposure to the sun. There are more and more cases of skin cancer or melanoma being diagnosed daily. We need to protect our skin from the sun by applying sun block, covering our heads with a hat, wearing a light covering over our shoulders and wearing sunglasses that provide UV protection.

Now that the weather is getting warmer, working in the heat can be a problem. Remember to drink lots of water and avoid alcohol or liquids containing lots of sugar. When taking your breaks, cool off in the shade and wear loose, lightweight, light coloured clothing, a brimmed hat and sunglasses. Don't forget your sunscreen!

Stay safe!

SAFETY ALERT Nackawic Mill Located in New Brunswick

There was a terrible accident that recently happed at the Nackawic Mill. One of the machinist was at the polishing phase of a pump shaft. While using the equipment, the machinist's hand and arm got drawn into the lathe. It resulted in him loosing his hand and part of his arm.

The preliminary investigation determined the emery cloth got wrapped around the shaft which pulls his hand into the unit. The tool holder actually prevented his chest from entering the lathe, which saved his life. The employee is doing well as can be expected.

In their investigation, a simple cheap device known as a "sanding belt holder for lathes" could have prevented the employee's injury. The senior machinist at Nackawic Mill never knew that device existed.

Apparently the trade schools today are still teaching students the "old way" of doing this by polishing using their own hands. They are being taught the same way to use sand paper as the employee who got injured.

(Unknown, 2023)



Figure 52-9 A high surface finish can be produced with abrasive cloth. (*Kelmar Associates*)

SAFETY MOMENT <u>Camping Safety</u>

Now that the weather is warmer, people are starting to go camping. Either going to their camper trailer or even just camping out in a tent.

Safety Tips:

-Check the weather before you go camping.

- *Always bring extra clothes and blankets.
- -Pack sunscreen and insect repellent.
- -Give wildlife space.
- -Keep your campsite clean.
- -Check yourself for ticks.
 - *Ticks carry Lyme Disease.

-If you are having a campfire, make sure it is completely out before you go to bed or leave the area. -Pack extra food and water.

-Let someone you know where you are going camping and around what time you will return home.

-If you plan on hiking, hike in a group.





Stay safe!

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FSANL Course Offerings!

Chainsaw Safety Awareness Brush Saw Safety Awareness Industrial Chainsaw Safety Awareness Power Line Hazard OHS Committee Training Emergency First Aid (1 Day) Standard First Aid (2 Day) Standard First Aid (2 Day) Wilderness First Aid (3 Day) Fall Protection (2 Day) Fall Protection Recertification Confined Space Awareness Lock out/Tag-out ATV Safety UTV Safety Snowmobile Safety

Don't forget to wear the proper safety equipment for the job!



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Don't Forget to Register for Our Conference!

September 27, 2023 Corner Brook Civic Centre 9:00 am - 4:30 pm Registration is at 8:30am, the conference begins at 9:00am! Limited Seating!

To register, email admin@fsanl.ca or call 388-0374 Registration fee is \$60.00 for in person and \$25.00 for virtual attendance (HST included)

This year, our grand door prize is a Husqvarna Chainsaw!

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