

2023 NEPPA RodE&O Conference and Expo Agenda

(May 9 – 11, 2023)

(Agenda details are subject to change)

Tuesday, May 9, 2023	
7:30 am	Registration, Continental Breakfast
9:00 am	Competition begins 15th Annual Lineworkers Rodeo New Hampshire Electric Co-op (NHEC) 579 Tenney Mountain Highway Plymouth, NH 03264
5:00 pm	Reception & Award Dinner (at The Common Man Inn & Spa)
6:30 pm	Awards and Raffle

Wednesday, May 10, 2023	
7:30 am	Registration, Breakfast
8:15 am	Welcome & Intro
8:30 am	Keynote Leadership “What’s Love Got to Do with It?” by Colonel Arthur J. Athens, USMCR (Ret.) <i>Tina Turner made a song with this title popular in the mid-1980s. If we were to consider this same question in the context of leadership . . . we might answer by saying that love has little to do with leadership. But it may be time to reconsider the connection between leadership and love . . . we might find the connection to be surprising and one of the genuine keys to extraordinary leadership.</i>
9:30 am	Break
9:45 am	Management Track Is It the Jetsons or Gen Z?: Creating an Out of this World Workplace for the Future by Danette Scudder, Tennessee Valley Public Power Association. <i>There are 5 generations in the workplace today – each with differing value systems and priorities. That means there is potential for miscommunication, conflict and</i>

	<p><i>confusion. At the same time, the diversity of thought, capabilities and expertise that a cross-generational team can bring to the table can take creativity, innovation and problem solving to a new level. In this session we will explore what drives – and divides – the different generations with a goal of creating a better understanding of how we can bridge the generation gap to create resilient organizations in the rapidly-changing utility industry.</i></p> <p>Operations Track Spacers Cable - Tips & Tricks, Do's & Don'ts by Bill St. Cyr, Marmon Utility and Scott Larsen, Hendrix.</p> <p>Engineering Track AMI, AMR, MDMS... DOA? Facilitated by Chris Boucher, TMLP; Presenters: Chris Adley, LELWD, Vince McMahon, WMGLD, Sue Blanchette, Groton Utilities</p> <p><i>Much like the transition to AMR, the new transition to Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) brings myriad advantages to the utility landscape. Access to new technologies like outage management, load analysis, and automated distribution system technologies is changing the way municipal utilities can do business and serve customers. However, this access to emerging technologies comes with difficulties as the metering profession shifts from behind the steering wheel to in front of the computer. Join us for a roundtable to discuss these pros and cons of AMI and hear first-hand from three utilities in various stages of deployment.</i></p>
10:45 am	Break
	Exhibit Hall Open (11:00 am - 4:00 pm)
11:00 am	<p>Management Track Black-out/ Brown-out Procedure Plans by TBD</p> <p>Operations Track Things Happening today with Substations Security, Do's & Don'ts by TBD</p> <p>Engineering Track Data, Data Everywhere and not a drop to drink... by EJ Gomes, Sensus, a Xylem Brand</p> <p><i>Attend this session to hear how utilities can use the all the data in the 'Data Lake' to become more aware, more efficient, and reliable.</i></p>

11-4:00 pm	Trolley Shuttle to The Barn on the Pemi for Lunch and Exhibit Hall
12:30 pm	Lunch (THE BARN on the Pemi, 341 Daniel Webster Highway, Plymouth, NH)
1:00 pm	Mutual Aid Committee Meeting at THE BARN
1:30 pm	Cornhole Tournament – See sign -up sheet
2:30 pm	Demo #1 Piercing Insulation
3:00 pm	Demo #2 Drink Tasting
3:30 pm	Demo#3 Von Thumper
3:45 pm	Raffle Drawing in Exhibit Hall
4:00 pm	Adjourn & Exhibits Breakdown/ Load Out

	Thursday, May 11, 2023
7:00 am	Breakfast
8:00 am	Board of Directors Meeting at NHEC
8:30 am	<p>Management Track Moultonborough Battery Project by Brian Callan, New Hampshire Electric Cooperative, LLC.</p> <p>Operations Track - (1.5 hour session) Mutual Aid Do's & Don't's by TBD</p> <p>Engineering Track Who's afraid of the big, Bad Wolf...I mean Electrification! by Louis Santilli, Quanta Technology</p> <p><i>Electrification - new buzz word for technologies displacing conventional fossil fuels with new technologies for decarbonization and how does it affect me?</i></p>
9:45 am	<p>Engineering Track - (1.5 hour session) Engineering Roundtable facilitator TBD</p> <p><i>Subjects for discussion include Change updates, working with small staff, distribution transformers, etc.</i></p>
11:00 am	<p>Benevolent Fund Activity: Golf Tournament – Shotgun 11:00 am Waukewan Golf Club – 9 holes 166 Waukewan Road Center Harbor, NH 03226</p>
11:45 am	Conference Adjourns

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