

# NEWS THIS MONTH

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## THE PLACE TO BE THIS MONTH

The ISEE's annual conference on explosive's and blasting techniques is back for its 50th year this coming January. Held for the first time in Savannah, Georgia, this conference is sure to be an exciting and valuable event on the calendar. This is the largest conference in the blasting community, fostering discussions and presentations on the latest explosives-related technology and techniques. With attendance drawn from more than 20 countries and highlighting the latest and greatest from over 125 exhibitors, The show represents the best way to keep your company on the leading edge. Ground-breaking information sharing through paper presentations keeps the entire

industry on a path of continual improvement. ISEE blaster training during the conference also provides a valuable opportunity for continuing education and recertification hours, it's a great way to advance both you and your employees.



We'll be at booth's 307/406 to discuss the best ways to utilize Nxburst, MacLean Engineering's MDA rock drills along with our ever popular QuickDraw Cannon, the world's best solution to underground hang-ups.



## ISEE EASTERN CANADA CHAPTER

Coogar Sales & Services is proud to be a new member of the ISEE Eastern Canada Chapter. The Eastern Canada Chapter is a chapter of our parent ISEE, formed to encourage and promote safe blasting practices and to educate and assist the blasting industry in Eastern Canada. We strive to ensure that in the deflagrating cartridge space, we are a leader within the industry. If you are interested in the chapter or our annual general meeting and social in Kingston, Ontario on February 27th contact Jeff Corace at (613) 791-9222 or [info@iseecanadaeast.org](mailto:info@iseecanadaeast.org)

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## THE PASSING OF A GIANT



A giant in Canadian mining was lost. The chairman and founder of MacLean Engineering, Donald MacLean passed away earlier this month. A professional Mining Engineer, long-time miner and entrepreneur, Don built his namesake company into a global force for hard rock mining innovation on the back of flagship, industry-changing products. In 2014, Don was inducted into the International Mining Hall of Fame. In 2023, he was honoured with the "Safety Leadership" award by the Canadian Mining, Metallurgy, and Petroleum association in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the mining community. We are proud here at Coogar Sales to work with his company, selling the MDA pneumatic rock drills that carry his name. We offer our condolences to his family and friends and may Don rest in peace.