

## The Alaska Driller

The Newsletter of The American Association of Drilling Engineers  
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### A.A.D.E. Monthly Technical Forum

**When:** Wednesday – May 21  
**Time:** 11:30 am – 1:00 pm  
**Where:** **BP Building (1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Conference Rms)**  
**Speaker:** Nelson Allen – Grant Prideco  
**Topic:** High Speed Wired Drillpipe Applications  
**Reservations:** Send an E-mail to [Sandy Hamilton - Hamis0@bp.com](mailto:Sandy.Hamilton@bp.com)

**RESERVATION DUE BY**  
**EOB, Tuesday**  
**May 20<sup>th</sup>**  
**RSVP NOW!!!**

### A.A.D.E. LOOK AHEAD

5/16/08 **FFFFF @ Kincaid Park**  
5/16/08 RSVP's due to Sandy Hamilton  
5/19/08 Board of Directors Meeting at the PCA  
5/21/08 Final AADE Luncheon for the Spring

### From the President by Vance Hazzard, Pioneer Natural Resources Alaska

It's that great time of year when we are all busy working while thinking of all the wonderful summer Alaskan adventures that are about to be upon us. We are down to our last luncheon meeting of the spring and then it's our break in the speaker action until September.

#### Luncheon Topic

Our speaker this month is Nelson Allen of Grant Prideco. Mr. Allen will be presenting 4 case histories from around the world discussing the benefits of Ultra High Speed Telemetry Systems while drilling.

The first use of Wired Pipe to Drill the first Horizontal Well in North America  
Myanmar – Drilling the Undrillable – Managed Pressure Drilling  
Mexico – Drilling depleted Reservoirs under balanced  
Norway – Reducing Risk and Enhancing Efficiency

The case histories and equipment overview will show how the application of this technology can lead to improved information at the surface in real time which in turn leads to better decision making in the field, reducing the risk, allowing previously unmanageable drilling circumstances to be managed and improving drilling efficiency.

I think this presentation should be well received. For me, I really like seeing how new technology can be applied in a number of real application.

## **FFFFF**

Since this newsletter is going out so late in the week, we are only a day away from our big event of the year. The weather outlook doesn't look as rosy as past years, but you never know how things will turn out on Friday. We have a great team count for the food festival – **24** teams are planning to dazzle us with their best shot at our taste buds. This **Friday May 16<sup>th</sup>** is coming right up on us. Not only is our team count up, but the advance ticket sales have reached levels we have not experienced before – hats off to the FFFFF Committee and all the Team Captains for all the work they have done to make this event successful.

**As a reminder, the event starts at 3:00 pm on Friday on the hill adjacent to the Chalet at Kincaid park.**

## **Election Ballots**

The election ballots for the next year should be out by the time you read (probably included in this email). Please fill out this ballot and return it to Sandy Hamilton ASAP so we can finalize the election results before the meeting next week (if at all possible).

## **Tips from the State by Tom Maunder, Alaska Oil & Gas Conservation Commission**

Permitting Statistics (as of May 5, 2008)

Permits to Drill:	2008- 70	2007-57	2006- 59
Sundry Notices:	2008-167	2007-156	2006- 155

Accuracy and Completeness of Reports: This is a topic that I have addressed in several columns and messages, but it bears repeating.

As I review the 404 and 407 reports, there are occasions when the information attached to the form is not complete. This appears to usually involve not covering all the days where operations occurred.

There is another matter generally with the 404. As successive sundry approvals and reports are examined in the files, information regarding specifically packers will change when no work was done to effect the packer depth. 404 forms should be reviewed to assure that the information on it accurately reflects the wellbore condition.

Please share these tips with others in your organizations that may not be AADE members. Your attention to these matters is appreciated. Having accurate information submitted greatly speeds our review of the documents. Contact an AOGCC representative for further information.

Best regards for the summer.

**Student Section Report by Greg Hobbs, BP**

We are always looking for AADE presenters at the University. If you are willing to present on a Friday afternoon at the University next fall, please let me know at [hobbsg@bp.com](mailto:hobbsg@bp.com). Also, Greg Hobbs is soliciting Senior Project ideas.

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**The Knowledge Box** is a traveling exhibit showcasing the many aspects of the oil and gas industry. Includes teacher resources, hands-on activities and interactive lessons correlated to state and National Science Standards. This educational curriculum follows the line with other national initiatives such as "Project Learning Tree", "Project Wild", and "Project Wet". With forestry, wildlife, and water resources covered, and education guide covering energy is a natural fit for the next national initiative - particularly an education guide that would cover all aspects of energy including engineering issues. The curriculum would be for all grade levels.

Contact Dallas Rhodes, AADE National Representative for further information.

**How to Make Lunch Reservations:** Reservations for luncheon meetings are accepted up to EOB two business days prior to the meeting. Since we have little financial pad in our bank account, we cannot afford many "no-shows" or "new-shows". E-mail reservations to [Sandy Hamilton - hamis0@bp.com](mailto:hamis0@bp.com)

- Include the names and company names for those that plan to attend.
- **Note: The charge for the Technical Luncheon this month will be \$25 for all attendees.**

## Meeting News

(Please post in Coffee Rooms)

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Wednesday, May 21, 2008</b>
<b>Topic</b>	<b>The Application of Ultra High Speed Wired Drill Pipe</b>
<b>Speakers:</b>	<b>Nelson Allen – Grant Prideco</b>
<b>Time:</b>	<b>11:30 am – 1:00 pm (doors open at 11:15)</b>
<b>Place:</b>	<b>BP Building</b>
<b>Cost:</b>	<b>\$25 for all attendees</b>
<b>Reservations:</b>	<b><u>Sandy Hamilton - hamis0@bp.com</u></b>

**Please renew your membership or join at the tables outside of the conference room!**

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on Tuesday – May 20<sup>th</sup>  
(Please help by sending your RSVP early!)**