

# OPENING SHOT

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## The Shot Peener of the Year

It was a privilege to give the 2022 Shot Peener of the Year award to Yoshihiro Watanabe at the USA Shot Peening workshop. His keen understanding of the needs of the shot peening industry and his contribution to various academic organizations have greatly benefitted this community. Read more about Dr. Watanabe on page six.

#### **ICSP14 Review**

The International Scientific Committee on Shot Peening (ICSP) has held conferences every three years since 1981. After being delayed by Covid by two years, the 14th meeting was held in Milano, Italy with 168 attendees and 20 commercial exhibitors.

The international committee meets during the conference to conduct business such as accepting new members and selecting the site for the next event. Three members have resigned from the committee: Emmanuelle Rouhaud (France), Professor Katsuji Tosha (Japan) and Professor Martin Levesque (Canada). Three new members were inducted into the committee: Delphine Retraint (University of Technology of Troyes, France), Professor David Bahr (Purdue University, Head of School of Materials Engineering) and Dr. Yuji Sano (Board Member Japanese Shot Peening Technology). Professor Mario Guagliano (Politecnico di Milano) was elected as new chairman and Professor David Bahr will serve as host for ICSP15 in September 2025 at Purdue University.

See a photo review of ICSP14 in this magazine.

# **New Product Announcement**

The new LM Series MagnaValves for wheelblast machines have completed field trials and are now available for 25 Hp and 50 Hp machines. Installation uses the same electrical plug as the LP-24 and VLP-24 series. The polycarbonate case is lighter in weight for easier installation. The mounting pattern is the same for 1000 lb/min and the 2000 lb/min versions of the valve thus making changes very easy. Built-in air aspiration provides cooling of media and internal valve components. Learn more about the new MagnaValves on page eight. •



These attendees are enjoying a champagne toast at the beautiful ICSP14 gala. From left to right are myself, my wife Yuko, Mario Guagliano (ICSP14 Conference Chairman), Martin Lévesque (President of ISCSP), Sara Bagherifard (Coordinator of the Organizing Committee), and Michele Bandini (General Manager of Peen Service).

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