



# the LubeRoom

News to Keep You in Good Working Condition



Sept-Oct 2021

We continue to showcase our certified pros and [members](#) through the guest author program, sweepstakes drawings, and speaking gigs. FWIW, this issue's "Where Are They Now?" honoree is literally the longest-standing ICML-certified practitioner in the world!

And, yes, the new varnish badge exams are out now! We are also in the thick of conferences again, with [several more appearances](#) coming up during Q4, complete with 2020 Gill & Battle Award winners and a panel discussion with MLE professionals. It's a busy time and we are glad you are with us.

Remember to check out our [timeline infographic](#): ICML's story is also *your* story. **Lube on!**

-- Paul Hiller, Marketing Manager  
International Council for Machinery Lubrication

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## You can make varnish history with VIM and VPR



Since our last issue, we rolled out two new badges--the "varnish badges" known as VIM and VPR. These two badges are like micro-certifications that confirm your specialized knowledge of identification, measurement, prevention, and removal of machinery varnish and deposits. VIM and VPR exam applications follow the same process as our regular certifications. Apply today...

[Read More & Apply](#)

# Here is what we are doing at Reliable Plant this year

We are excited to return as an Endorsing Sponsor of [Reliable Plant 2021](#), jam-packed with workshops and roundtables just 2 weeks away! You can still [register](#), especially with the economical "Exhibit Hall Pass." We have much going on at this conference, so it will be easy for you to find us:

1) **PANEL DISCUSSION:** We are leading an impressive panel on Wednesday afternoon-- "*What Does a Machinery Lubrication Engineer (MLE)® Actually Do in the Real World?*" It features three MLE practitioners discussing their experiences:

- Roger Story, Covestro
- Nathan Wright, Transformational Performance Solutions LLC
- Muhammad Ali Qureshi, Saudi Aramco

2) **GILL & BATTLE AWARDS:** These are the [longstanding industry awards](#) that recognize excellence in lubrication and oil analysis programs. Two new winners will be presented during the opening ceremony on Tuesday morning.

3) **EXAM SESSION** onsite Tuesday evening. If you are ready to sit any of our exams (even MLE or one of the new varnish badges) using pencil and paper, just [apply](#) with us in advance ASAP.

4) **PRACTITIONER VIDEOS:** We will have a camera set up at our Booth 514 for visitors who would like to record a few words about their on-the-job experiences as ICML-certified practitioners. These will be edited into promotional media to encourage future certification candidates.

We look forward to seeing you in Louisville!

[Register for Conference](#)

 **We're Exhibiting!**  
Come See Us on the Show Floor.  
ICML Booth #514

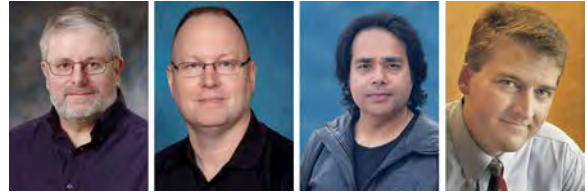


 **ICML Panel Discussion**  
Come Hear Us Speak at Reliable Plant.

**What Does a Machinery Lubrication Engineer (MLE)® Actually Do in the Real World?™**

Nathan Wright, MLE  
Roger Story, MLE

Muhammad Ali Qureshi, MLE  
Paul Hiller, ICML Moderator



## Guest Author: Is Coolant Analysis Necessary?



Even if you are already conducting routine oil analysis on your engines, guest author Randy Clark of POLARIS Laboratories® recommends coolant analysis as a preventive measure before anything suspicious shows up in your oil analysis reports.

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## Pro Tip: Start with ICML's Independent Training Partners

We would not be in our 21st year of operation without the impressive efforts of training partners all across the globe who have built relevant classes based on our bodies of knowledge. Training "partners" are those organizations who have signed our Trainers Code of Conduct agreement to assure us that their course offerings meet the specific and substantive needs of ICML certification exams.



[Review Partners List](#)

## Longtime certifiants: Where are they now?



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With 20 years of exams behind us, we celebrate those who have maintained unbroken track records of ICML certification since the early days. Meet Rendela Wenzel, MLE, MLA II, the Global Maintenance and Reliability Leader at Eli Lilly and Company, who also happens to serve on ICML's board of directors. Rendela has been continuously certified since our very first exam session in January, 2001, which literally makes her the longest-standing, ICML-certified professional in the world!...

## Only one more drawing for a free ICML 55.1 Standard (But who won the Q3 drawing?)



In celebration of our 20th Anniversary, we have been giving away the ICML 55.1 requirements standard to one lucky winner each quarter of this year—FREE!\* Keven Albert, a mechanical supervisor with SULB Company in Bahrain, was our Q2 winner. And now we announce our Q3 winner in this [latest video](#). Each drawing requires separate entry, so just click the button below and fill out a short entry form to enter our fourth and final drawing in mid-December.

*\* See terms & conditions on the entry form.*



[Enter Q4 Drawing](#)

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## Still time to register for November's hybrid OilDoc

Once again, we are sponsoring and exhibiting at Germany's trend-setting event in the fields of lubrication, maintenance and condition monitoring. It is a hybrid this year--take part live or remote. Virtual participants will enjoy dynamic presentations with the option for real-time questions, answers, and discussions via the conference app. And on-site participants will notice a sustainable protection and hygiene concept, to encourage everyone to share their experiences face-to-face. We will be remote; come visit us at virtual booth #39.



[Read More & Register](#)



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