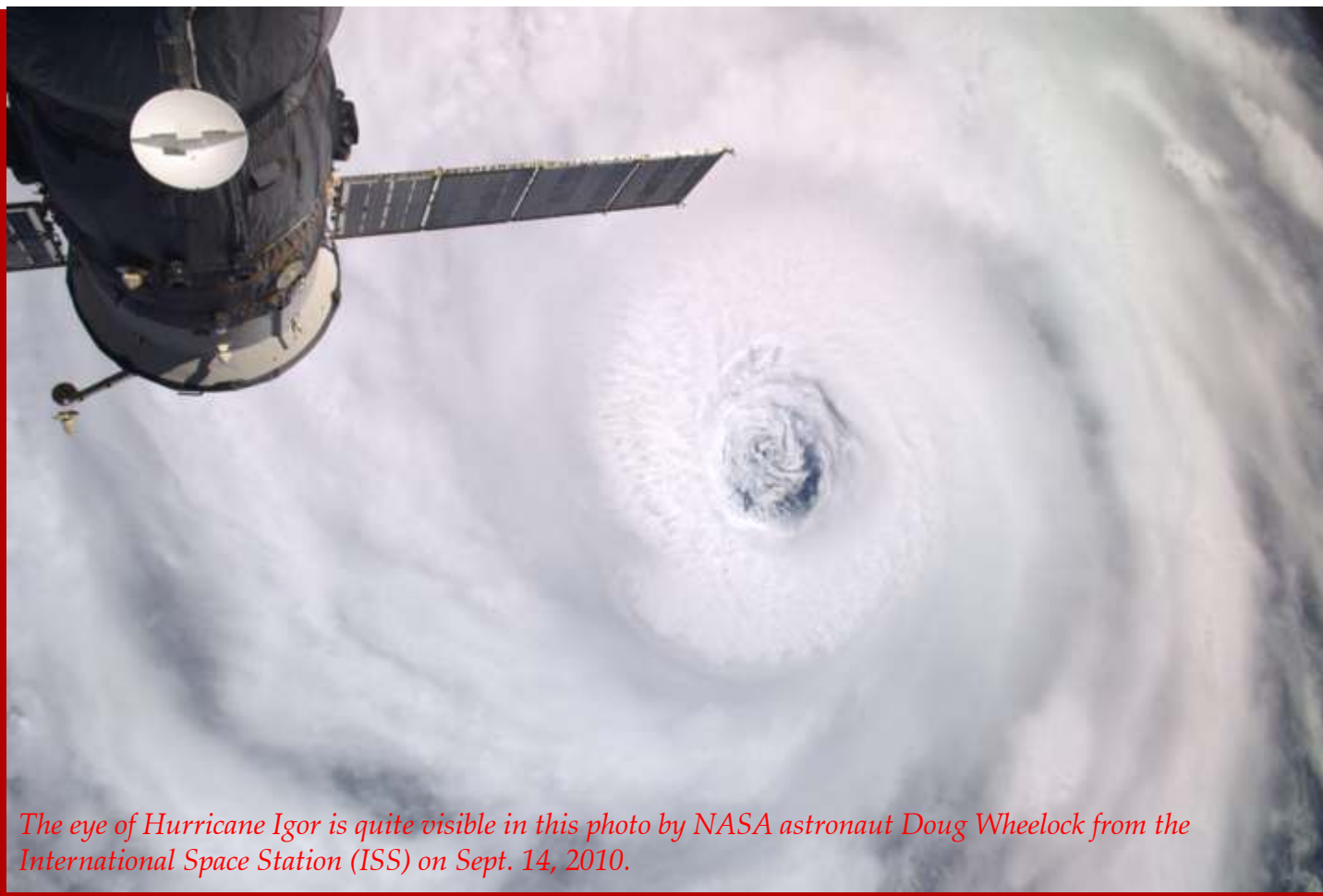


Marystown



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The eye of Hurricane Igor is quite visible in this photo by NASA astronaut Doug Wheelock from the International Space Station (ISS) on Sept. 14, 2010.

STORM WARNING!

Learning from Hurricane Igor

A Special Panel Presentation

Mount Pearl



This September 20, 2010 NOAA satellite image shows Hurricane Igor churning in the Atlantic Ocean southeast of the island. Newfoundland was on high alert as Hurricane Igor approached from the Atlantic, unleashing fierce winds and torrential rains that caused coastal flooding and prompted evacuations.

Jacques Fontaine



Date: 4th of November
Time: 7.30pm to 8.30 pm; {parking - Lot 15B}
Venue: Inco Innovation Centre 2001

This panel presentation brings together experts in meteorology, hazards and risk reduction, and GIS planning to provide new insights into the impact of Hurricane Igor on Newfoundland. What type of hurricane was this, why was it so strong, and is this what we can expect from future hurricanes? Why was the impact of this storm so devastating on the province's infrastructure and how can we better prepare for future storm events? And finally, what kinds of new mapping technologies can help us in our efforts to plan and respond to natural hazards?

Meet the Panel



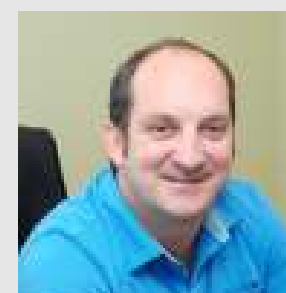
Norm Catto, Professor, Department of Geography, Memorial University, His interests include study of the occurrences, processes, and ways of coping with natural hazards.



Colin Taylor, Senior GIS consultant, Tamarack Geographic Technologies.



Joel Finnis, Assistant Professor, Department of Geography, Memorial University, Joel is a climatologist whose research interests include environmental modelling, climate dynamics, and high-latitude meteorology. His contribution to the panel will cover the characteristics of 'Canadian' hurricanes and curious aspects of Igor's development.



Colin Taylor and Corey Tucker are senior GIS consultants with Tamarack Geographic Technologies, a St John's based GIS company. The company is involved in providing GIS solutions for more effective, efficient and economical planning of public and private sector services. Their presentation will focus on the potential of GIS technology in planning for, and responding to, disaster events. Colin and Corey are graduates of Memorial's Geography Department. <http://www.tamarackgeographic.ca/>

Corey Tucker, Senior GIS consultant, Tamarack Geographic Technologies.

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