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whitCon YEARBOOK

A Year to Remember

/ 2025

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A YEAR TO REMEMBER

Whether you came for the courses, the connections, or the cocktails... you made WhitCon 2025 unforgettable!



whitson Team

The brains behind it all

whitCon 2025 was a reminder of what makes our team so special. What started as a group of people nerding out over PVT and RTA has grown into a family that shows up for each other — whether it's on a whiteboard, on a stage, or at the bar after the laptops close.

Looking around during the conference, it was clear: when you put the right people together, you get something bigger than the sum of its parts. You get whitCon. You get whitson. You get... well, a lot of bad jokes and good food too.

Here's to the people who make it all possible — thank you to every single member of this team for bringing the brains, the energy, and the heart ❤️

300+

registrants

25

presenters

∞

"aha!" moments
revealed



KNOWLEDGE IS POWER

October 1: Three courses to turn the theory into practice.

Reservoir & Forecast

Course highlights included:

- DCA & Type Wells
- PVT & Phase Behavior
- Bottomhole Pressure Calculations
- FMB & RTA
- Numerical Modeling
- Nodal Analysis
- Unconventional Well Tests (CPG, DFIT, DQI)

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Production Engineering

Course highlights included:

- Liquid Loading
- Gradient Curves
- Bottomhole Pressure Calculations
- Flowing Material Balance
- Nodal Analysis
- Gas Lift Optimization
- Multi-Well Gas Lift Optimization

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PVT + Fluid Behavior

Course highlights included:

- Intro to PVT – What is It?
- Reservoir Fluid Classification
- Petroleum Compounds & Fluids
- Phase Diagrams
- Black Oil PVT
- Equilibrium Ratios (K-Values)
- Initial Fluids In-Place
- Flash Calculation
- Introduction to EOS Models

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MAIN STAGE MAGIC

October 2: A full day of ideas, insights, and inspiration on stage.

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October 2 brought the main event of whitCon 2025, a full day of presentations and insights from 23 talented presenters. From the first keynote to the final talk, the stage was alive with ideas, expertise, and energy – a reminder of what makes our whitson User Community so unique.

Throughout the day, attendees engaged, learned, and connected, capturing both big-picture strategies and technical takeaways. Whether sharing new techniques, innovative solutions, or industry stories, the presenters made every session memorable. It was a day full of inspiration, head-turning insights, and moments that will stay with us long after the conference ended.





Baosheng
Liang



Jerrod
Ryan



Xie
Xueying

RESERVOIR ENGINEERING: The Reservoir Strikes Back



Sam
Shoun



Narayan
Nair



Brett
Wootton



Alejandro
Lerza



Chao
Jongeling

DCA & TYPE WELLS

Crystal Balling Shale Declines



Jennifer Fitzgerald



Tim Toberlin



Anna Marcotte

PVT ANALYSIS

Fluids Gone Wild



Steve Howlett

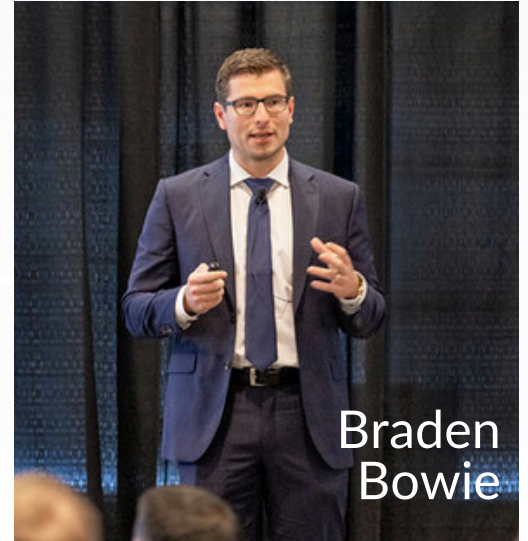


Victor de Souza Rios



Markus Hays Nielsen

WELL SPACING, DEPLETION, COMPLETIONS: Packing Wells Like Tetris





Scott Galuska



Graham Helfrick




Adrian Morales

PRODUCTION ENGINEERING:


Pipes, Pumps, & Problems

WHITSON USER COMMUNITY AWARDS

whitson Community Awards:
**Highest Login Count:
 Jenna Anaya**



Jenna Anaya, Continental
 (1641, or 30 yrs!)




Jani Lohr
 R. Lacy
 (547, 10 yrs)

Michael Svejcar
 Coterra
 (328, 6 yrs)

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whitson Community Awards:
**Top Feature Request:
 Xueying Xie**

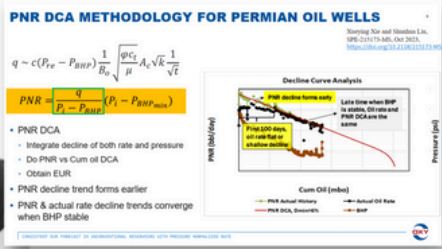


PNR DCA METHODOLOGY FOR PERMIAN OIL WELLS

$$q = c(P_e - P_{BHP}) \frac{1}{B_{gr}} \sqrt{\frac{2k}{\mu}} A_e \sqrt{k} \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}$$


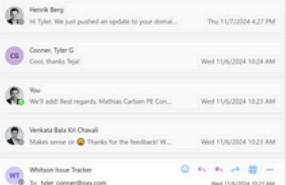
$$PNR = \frac{q}{P_i - P_{BHP}} (P_i - P_{BHP_{min}})$$

- PNR DCA
 - Integrate decline of both rate and pressure
 - Do PNR vs Cum of DCA
 - Obtain ELIR
- PNR decline trend forms earlier
- PNR & actual rate decline trends converge when BHP stable



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whitson Community Awards:
**Top Support Ticket:
 Tyler Conner**

Title: Software Mediocre
Description:
 Could we lasso filter to the PNR plot as well? I would like to be able to grab the points identified as quarter slope so that I can see them in the RNP plot

Please and thanks!
 Tell James and Mathias their breath stinks

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MICHAEL J. FETKOVICH TECHNOLOGY AWARD



Dave Anderson
2025 Recipient

The Michael J. Fetkovich Technology Award honors innovations that embody the pioneering spirit of Mike Fetkovich, whose work transformed reservoir engineering and decline curve analysis. The 2025 recipient, Dave Anderson, is recognized for his decades-long dedication to advancing and popularizing rate transient analysis (RTA) through commercial, industry-standard software, impactful training, technical papers, and educational content —continuing Fetkovich’s legacy of improving accuracy and certainty in production forecasting and resource evaluation.

**Previous
Recipients**

2024

Dr. Christopher
Clarkson

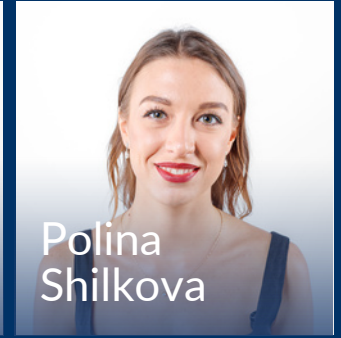
2023

Leslie
Thompson &
Barry Ruddick

2022

Braden
Bowie

TEAM WHITSON





Jessica
Parsons



Hamid
Behmanesh



Graham
Helfrick



Arne
Digre



Milan
Stanko



Chris
Duus



Filip
Jacobsen



Daniel
Ferreira



Ameya
Brahmanekar



Ana
Proaño



James
MacDonald



Braden
Bowie



Hasan R.
Omarzae



Markus Hays
Nielsen



Tom
Nations



Mathias
Carlsen



Curtis
Whitson

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*Thank you for
another great year
everyone,
we will see you at
whitCon 2026!*



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