



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - 1 September 2016

The Canterbury Property Boundaries and Related Matters Bill was passed into law Tuesday 30 August and provides critical direction to Canterbury surveyors on boundaries affected by the Canterbury earthquake sequence. It is pleasing to see our advocacy work on the principle that the 'boundaries did not move with the land' resulting in the inclusion of a waiver of liability for work done in the immediate aftermath of the quake. Without the much needed clarification over which principle to apply to earthquake-affected land (ie 'boundaries moving with the land') and the waiver of liability mentioned, many surveyors would still remain in an unfair and potentially devastating position of liability. [Read Mark Allan's full message.](#)

CADASTRAL STREAM

The Cadastral Stream is in close discussion with LINZ regarding the review of the Rules for Cadastral Survey 2010. LINZ has indicated that this review will be a priority once they have completed the development of the Rules and guidance to support the Canterbury Property Boundaries and Related Matters Bill.

LINZ is committed to continued engagement with surveyors and bodies representing cadastral surveyors on the Rules. LINZ will be setting up an expert group for the review process and will work with us to identify members. We will keep members up to date as work on the review progresses.

Cadastral Corner Articles

This month's article's covers GPS measurements and Easements Purposes. [Read online and previous articles here](#)..

Please send your feedback to either esurveys@xtra.co.nz, or log-in to the NZIS online forum.

POSITIONING & MEASUREMENT STREAM

This month we have a bumper column split into three sections: information about LINZ's new NZVD2016 & NZGeoid 2016; tips on how to receive group digests from the stream LinkedIn group; and a roundup of recent articles and other resources. [Read the full article](#).



New Zealand Vertical Datum Released

New Vertical datum New Zealand Vertical Datum (NZVD2016) is the result of a five year project to improve the accuracy of the national vertical datum. [Read the full article](#).

LINZ NEWS



The following articles from LINZ contain important information for NZIS members.

Preparing PositionNZ-RT for Multi-GNSS – can you connect?

LINZ wants to hear from users of PositionNZ-RT about planned changes to the service.

[Read the full article](#)

Modernising Access to Landonline

We're working to bring in Advanced Survey and Title Services (ASaTS), a system that will improve the services we offer to lawyers and surveyors. [Read the full article](#)

REGULAR FEATURES

Recent Case Note Summaries

This month we report on six court decisions covering diverse situations associated with subdivision, development and land use activities from around the country:

- A case about the standing at appeal of a neighbour who had given consent to a subdivision and development at Clarks Beach adjoining the Manukau Harbour, but who now wished to appeal the decision on the grounds that he had been misled into giving that consent;
- A successful prosecution by Auckland Council of the owner of a property at Onehunga. The owner had relocated a garage to the front of his property despite his unsuccessful application for resource consent to do so;
- A partly successful appeal about administrative charges which were imposed by Thames Coromandel District Council which had granted consent to a subdivision but which had subsequently been cancelled;
- Another decision in relation to an enforcement order involving large-scale unauthorised earthworks and native bush clearance at Waiwera, north of Auckland;
- A further court decision involving the status of a quarrying operation at Saddle Hill near Dunedin and efforts to resolve the apparent conflicts between different interpretations of previous consent. No clear conclusion has yet been announced;
- A decision of the Court of Appeal over interpretation of earlier consents issued by Waimakariri District Council and noise rules in the district plan. The existing use rights to operate the clay target shooting activity and certificates of compliance for it, were being challenged by the development of new houses on nearby "life-style" blocks of land.

[Read the full summaries and download the pdf.](#)

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES



**Land Information
New Zealand**
Toitū te whenua

**Cadastral
Surveyors** -
Survey & Titles
Operational
Team
Land
Information
New Zealand

WIGLEY + ROBERTS

REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL SURVEYORS

**Wellington
Region
Surveyor** -
Wigley Roberts



SURVEYPRO
LAND SURVEY CONSULTANTS

**Senior Land
Surveyor** -
Surveypro
West
Auckland

WORK WANTED



**UAV Contract
Aerial
Surveying
Services** -
**Nikkel
Surveying**

Student ; A second year survey student at Otago University is looking for summer holiday work. Contact; michaelgriffin@hotmail.co.nz

NZ Mining Board of Examiners - Call for new Board members

Worksafe is calling for nominations for six members - [find out more here](#).

SPATIAL STREAM

20126 Agenda Report Released - 2016 Spatial Industry Transformation and Growth Agenda

A report on the Australian spatial sector has been released. 2026Agenda see a forecasted global growth of 30% per annum in geoservices and spatial sector as one of the key industry growth sectors in Australia. The report can be downloaded at: <https://2026agenda.com>

Women in Spatial/Surveying Event in Christchurch

Please join us for the NZIS Women in Spatial/Surveying Christchurch event, sponsored by Aurecon, where [Dr Amy Fletcher](#) will talk on "Learning to Love Big Data: Exponential Technology and Work in the Age of A.I.". Amy is also presenting at the SingularityU Summit in Christchurch in November, (<http://www.singularityunz.com/>), and her talk should be very interesting.

Although it is 'Women in Spatial/Surveying', men are always welcome to attend too! This event would be of immense interest to all location and measurement professionals.

The evening starts at 5.00 pm, 15 September at Aurecon - 518 Colombo Street, Christchurch. Register on the Eventbrite page if you would like to attend: <https://wischchsept16.eventbrite.co.nz>

OBITUARY

It is with sadness we record the passing of Patrick Dagg, Hawkes Bay on 13 August 2016.

