



## **NZIS AGM and Communications Forum**

Next week is a big week for the NZIS calendar. We have a very busy week with the following activities taking place.

Monday 13 -14 - Professional Entrance Exams for 26 candidates

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Tuesday 14 - Leader's Insight Seminar presented by Bruce Anderson

Wednesday 15 - Stakeholder Workshop for all branch and stream representatives  
- [details](#)

Wednesday 15 - 129th AGM and Communications Forum for all members - [final notice](#)

Wednesday 15 - NZ Spatial Excellence Awards Dinner at Te Papa Tongarewa - [purchase tickets](#).

Branch and stream representatives attending the Stakeholder workshop prior to the AGM will get the chance to discuss various topics including the NZIS member's annual survey results, certification, NZIS awards review and the Kairuri Community Trust.

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## PROFESSIONAL ENTRANCE EXAMINATIONS

Good luck to everyone sitting the Professional Entrance Exams in Wellington next Monday and Tuesday.

### **Note : Date Change for the 2018 Cadastral Law Examination**

The exam date has been moved to **21 June 2018** (previously it was February 2018). The new timetable is as follows:

- **21 May** - Closing date for applications
- **31 May** - Examination entry and identification form sent to candidates
- **8 June** - Assignment for Research component emailed to candidates
- **21 June - Date of exam**
- **21 July** (approximately) - Results available. Answer scripts of the written examination will be returned to candidates when available.

[Professional Entrance Exam page.](#)

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## CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

### **GNSS/GPS Seminar for Cadastral Surveying - Auckland and Christchurch and First-ever Live Streaming**

The GNSS/GPS sessions are proving very popular with good booking numbers. These sessions will cover best practice techniques in using GNSS/GPS reliably in cadastral surveys.

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- Auckland session, Monday 20 November - [Book Now](#)
  - Christchurch session, Tuesday 21 November - [Book now](#)

### First-ever Live Streaming Event

There has been such a demand for this session that we are streaming it live to make it available to everyone who can't attend a session in one of the big centres. ***This event will be live-streamed via YouTube and managed by AUT Auckland. Attendees will have the opportunity to interact in the Q&A session through Youtube messaging service. [Book for the live streaming.](#)***

### 2018 Gas Testing Sessions in Auckland Open for Booking

The 2017 sessions filled up fast but there is still an opportunity to sit this training next year starting in February. See the [National Calendar](#) for dates.

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### NZ SPATIAL EXCELLENCE AWARDS



The big awards night is 14 November Te Papa Tongarewa. The winning projects will come from over 60 entries from a variety of different organisations and individuals across New Zealand in such varied areas as agriculture, banking, transportation, conservation and local government. Watch out for December Surveying+Spatial magazine which will feature the winning entries. [Read about the finalists.](#)

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## NEW CAREER OPPORTUNITIES LISTED THIS MONTH

- [Senior Licensed Cadastral Surveyor](#), Cogswell Surveys, Thames
- [Licensed Cadastral Surveyor](#), Newton Survey, Nelson
- [Licenced Surveyors and Senior Surveyors](#), Aurecon, Auckland, Wellington, Tauranga
- [Senior Cadastral Survey Advisor](#), Land Information New Zealand
- [Senior Surveyor](#), Opus, Hamilton
- [Lecturer in Urban Design](#), University of Otago, Otago
- [Technician/Graduate Surveyor](#), Southern Land, Auckland
- [Surveyor](#), McKenzie & Co Consultants Ltd, Taupo
- [Registered Professional Surveyor](#), Dunwoodie & Green, Thames
- [Senior Land Surveyor](#), McKenzie & Co Consultants Ltd, Auckland
- [Licensed Cadastral Surveyor and Experienced Survey Technician](#), Reyburn & Bryant.

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## CASE NOTES

### Summaries of cases from Thomson Reuter's "Your Environment".

This month we report on seven court decisions covering diverse situations associated with subdivision, development and land use activities from around the country; most result from decisions made in district and unitary plans:

- An unsuccessful appeal to extend the scope of a proposed plan change by Tasman District Council to include provision for subdivision of rural-residential land;
- A High Court decision concluding the last appeals on bio-diversity and significant ecological areas in the Christchurch Replacement District Plan;

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- A High Court decision and Court of appeal decision on points of law affecting timing and direction of post-earthquake re-zoning of land in the Christchurch area;
  - Sentencing of the owner who had demolished a heritage-listed cottage at Huntly that had been allowed to fall into disrepair, but for which funding to maintain or restore it was not forthcoming from the Waikato District Council;
  - A successful resolution of an appeal against refusal of consent by Auckland Council for establishment of a land-fill activity near Riverhead forest on Auckland's north shore;
  - A further decision of the Environment Court approving conditions of consent to a residential subdivision and development of a property with a native-bush gully near Albany, Auckland.

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

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