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#### WELCOME TO NEW PRESIDENT

Rebecca Strang was welcomed as the first female president of NZIS for nearly 130 years at the AGM held 14 November in Wellington. [Read the full article.](#)



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## AGM AND STAKEHOLDER WORKSHOP

November 13-15 November was a busy time for branch, stream and NZIS execs with a governance seminar, the AGM, Stakeholder Workshop and NZ Spatial Excellence Awards all held in the same week. The second stakeholder workshop was well attended and some great discussions came out of it, as did from the first one held last year. Many of the 2016 ideas were implemented throughout the year, eg separating the AGM from the conference and reviewing the Awards of Excellence (which is underway). As the ideas from this year's workshop are assessed and implemented, updates will be provided.

**129th AGM Minutes** - the [minutes](#) for the 129<sup>th</sup> AGM of held 15 November are available on the website.



*Branch and stream participants at the November stakeholder workshop.*

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## NZIS CONFERENCE 2018 - AMBITIOUS, DIVERSE, CONNECTED

### Call for Papers is Underway

Visit the [conference website](#) to see the theme and information on submitting a presentation proposal. Submissions close **Monday 18 December**.



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## CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

A video of the [GNSS/GPSLive Streaming](#) event held on Auckland 20 November has been added to the *Training on Demand* library.

### Coming up in February 2018

**Gas Testing Courses in Auckland** –Training to standard AS/NZS 2865:2009, gas testing requirements for working in a confined space.

Session 1 & 2 - 1 February 2018

Session 3 & 4 - 6 March 2018

Book your places in the [National Calendar](#).

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## PROFESSIONAL ENTRANCE EXAMINATIONS

### 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

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- **8 June** - Assignment for Research component emailed to candidates
  - **21 June - Date of exam**
  - **21 July** (approx) - Results available. Answer scripts of the written examination will be returned to candidates when available.

[Professional Entrance Exam page.](#)

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#### NEW CAREER OPPORTUNITIES LISTED THIS MONTH

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- [Licensed Cadastral Surveyor OR Graduate Surveyor](#), Murray Hislop Surveyors, Waipa
- [Survey Graduate/ Technician](#), KOA, Christchurch
- [Associate Licensed Cadastral Surveyor](#), Beca, Auckland
- [Intermediate/Senior Surveyor](#), Inovo, Christchurch
- [Survey Business Leader and/or Licensed Cadastral Surveyor](#), Calibre, Wellington
- [Experienced Graduate, technician or newly licensed surveyor](#), Calibre, Auckland.

Visit the [Jobs Board](#) for the full list.

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#### NZIS NEWS

##### Introducing New Staff members

We have three new staff members joining us at at National Office; Max Will, Karin Knedler and Linda Turnbull.

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Max is the new Event and Marketing Coordinator who has strong social media and event management experience. Max has most recently been working in online marketing and event management in Perth. [max@surveyors.org.nz](mailto:max@surveyors.org.nz)

Karin is taking on the role of Advocacy and Policy Coordinator. She has wide ranging experience working in senior policy, management, advisory, project and research roles in government. [karin@surveyors.org.nz](mailto:karin@surveyors.org.nz)

Linda is the new Membership Coordinator who is working part time. She has most recently been in executive support and senior administration roles. [linda@surveyors.org.nz](mailto:linda@surveyors.org.nz)

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## **LINZ NEWS**

### **Kaikoura Earthquake Coordinate Update – Cadastral Surveyors working in the affected area**

On the weekend 9 December, LINZ will be updating Landonline mark coordinates and heights to account for ground movement caused about by the Kaikoura Earthquake of 14 November 2016.

For cadastral surveyors working in the locality, this will have an impact on survey marks which have the status of 'cadastral survey network mark' or 'vertical control mark' and therefore may impact on survey compliance with rule 4.2 (Horizontal datum – connection) rule 4.3 (Vertical datum) Rules for Cadastral Survey 2010.

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## **NZIS MEMBERSHIP HONOURS**

Three new Fellowships were announced at the AGM 15 November along five NZIS Awards.



*Mark Allan, NZIS Immediate Past President & Ross Thurlow.*

The three members honoured as Fellows were Stephen Critchlow of Wellington, Ross Thurlow of Auckland and Warren Haynes of Christchurch.

Congratulations to all this year's award winners.

[Read the full article](#)

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## **SOCIAL MEDIA SHAKE-UP**



Members will start to notice new activity in the social media space driven by our in-house expert in this area, Max Will.

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Look out for our [dedicated YouTube](#) channel and [Facebook](#)-themed days:

- Research Monday- scientific articles
- News Tuesday-news and current affairs related to surveying or spatial
- Trivia Wednesday-questions and teasers
- Tech Thursday-technology related information
- Funny Friday-random funny stuff related to the profession

Also available is a [calendar](#) of all events happening throughout the country and a new [Instagram](#) page.

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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 the district and unitary plans:

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

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