

Council Committees and Board Support



COMMUNICATIONS

Re- brand to Survey and Spatial New Zealand



In August, following a voting member ballot, the new trade name *Survey and Spatial New Zealand (S+SNZ)* was adopted. The institute's legal name of New Zealand Institute of Surveyors remains. A work programme to implement the name change and re-brand across all channels has been underway since August.

S+SNZ Engagement Plan

A first draft of an engagement plan to support members as they respond to the changing needs of our communities has been developed. The plan reflects the transformational journey that the organisation is undergoing.

Auckland Conference 9-11 May 2019



Record numbers attended this year's Auckland Cordis Hotel based conference. There were over 350 registrations including 70 national and international speakers and 23 trade exhibitors. These numbers made the conference is one of the biggest events that S+SNZ has hosted.

The future focussed theme of 'Shaping Tomorrow's Communities' provided plenty of scope for some thought provoking and insightful presentations. Changes to how we live in cities of the future was a recurring theme particularly relating to transport and density of housing. According to several commentators, we can expect less private vehicle ownership with a move to car-sharing and other modes of transport. provided plenty of scope for some thought provoking and insightful presentations and conference goers were not disappointed.

A common thread through many presentations was the crucial role that surveyors and spatial professionals play in our communities. Surveying, spatial professionals, digital and spatial data all feature heavily in the in the construction and development sphere; examples to name a few included from set-out to precision monitoring of tunnel drilling to demolition of buildings on cliff tops to directing mining diggers to the centimetre to planning new subdivision services to lay-outs to BIM.

At the conference opening, delegates were welcomed by members of the local local iwi Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei, Sharleen Cole-Swami from Premier Commercial Partner Allterra, National's Spokesperson for Building and Construction Andrew Bayly and President Rebecca Strang. The conference dinner once again partnered by S+SNZ Diamond Partner GIS Insurance Brokers was a highlight.

Along with GSI Insurance Broker's very generous donation of \$11,500 to the Kairūri Community Trust, an auction was conducted by conference MC Malcolm Archbold raising funds for the Trust. The lively bidding helped raise a further \$8,000 which will go towards fostering the future of the surveying and spatial community.

A heartfelt thanks go to all conference organisers, commercial partners, trade exhibitors and supporters who made the conference such a success. In particular; Dinner Partner, GSI Insurance Brokers, Premier Commercial Partner, Allterra, Platinum Partners Accurate and Global Survey, Silver Partners Quickmap and 12d Synergy and Stationery Supplier Net Express Procurement.

Surveying+Spatial magazine

The magazine continues to produce high-quality articles under Rachel Harris's editorship. Rachel has overseen 10 editions and is planning some special acknowledgement of the 100th edition. Over 250 members still receive hard- copies and the remainder can access the magazine online at issue.com or directly download it from the website. This year we switched to using compostable packaging for the mailed copies.



This year's four magazine covers.

Newslink

The monthly newsletter continues to be a key vehicle used to communicate events, advocacy and items of interest to members.

NZ Surveyor Journal

Issue 305 is underway with a paper published online. A call for papers was communicated for a special edition to commemorate Aotearoa NZ's history and 250 years of nation-building since Cook's voyage to NZ.

Land Titles Surveys in New Zealand

This book, that was first published on the NZIS website in 2012, was re-published in September 2018. This version (#3) is on a platform that allows users to interact with the publication and to 'Follow' the book, post comments and suggestions for edits if they wish.

Celebrating Successes and Achievements

Mechanisms to collect and publish information on members' awards and achievements both private and professional were put in place this year. The following has been set in place:

- A process is in place that when we are notified of a member's passing away, we contact the local Branch Chair to see if we can get an obituary underway from someone who knows the deceased
- A segment in March 2019 *Newslink*
- The editor of the *Surveying+Spatial* magazine publishes obituaries when they are received (with discretion as to length and number in any one edition)
- Obituaries are added to the website when they are received as a permanent, searchable record
- The letter below was sent from the President 28 February 2018 to all S+SNZ groups
- A permanent segment in the Professional Stream page in the *Surveying+Spatial* Magazine:



Key activities supported by communications throughout the year included:

- Pacific Advisory Group
- NZ Vertical Datum 2016 implementation in Hawkes Bay
- Release of the Environmental Court's Decision on Cross-Lease Titles
- S+SNZ becoming a Founding partner of the industry-wide Diversity Agenda
- Celebration Dinner of 50 Years of Antarctic surveyors
- ASaTS Go-ahead approval
- 2018 NZSEA Awards
- S+SNZ Board and council announcements

- Rules for Cadastral Survey 2010 consultation
- S+SNZ award recipients
- Re-brand of commercial partner Glenn Stone Insurance to GSI Insurance Brokers
- Kairūri Community Trust
- LINZ announcements; new surveyor-general appointed
- Professional Examinations
- CPD events.