
NEW APPOINTMENTS



Welcome to New Chief Executive

S+SNZ's Board Chair, Daniel Williams is delighted to announce the appointment of Ashley Church as the new Chief Executive.

Ashley comes to us with an extensive background in property – most recently as CEO of the Property Institute of New Zealand, a role he held from 2015 to 2019. Prior to this, he has been CEO of the Newmarket Business Association and the Auckland Property Investors

Association.

Ashley comes to us as a high-profile media commentator on the state of New Zealand's property market. He currently writes a weekly column for *One Roof* and participates in a regular NewsTalk ZB radio show dealing with property matters.

"I am looking forward to Ashley joining S+SNZ," says Daniel, "he brings with him strong managerial and media focused skill-sets which will benefit S+SNZ going forward."

Ashley commences his role at S+SNZ National Office in Wellington on Monday 3 February.

General Councillor Appointment

We have a new a General Councillor on the S+SNZ Council. Congratulations to Andrew Perry, the current chair of Rotorua/BOP/ branch, who has recently been appointed to this role.

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

FEBRUARY

Draft Cadastral Survey Rules 2020



The Surveyor-General is commencing consultation on the draft *Cadastral Survey Rules 2020*. Four presentations and two webinars are scheduled during February. The presentations start in Christchurch on 12 February and there is no charge - registrations are essential.

Presentations:

- Christchurch, 12 February 4:00-6:00pm - [Book here](#)
- Wellington, 13 February 4:00-6:00pm - [Book here](#)
- Auckland, 18 February 4:00-6:00pm - [Book here](#)
- Hamilton, 19 February 4:00-6:00pm - [Book here](#).

Webinars:

- 20 February, 4:00-6:00pm - [Book here](#)
- 25 February, 4:00-6:00pm - [Book here](#).

The Future of The Profession - International Online Panel - Friday 28 February, 10.00 -11.30am NZ time.



This is a live online debate about the future of the surveying and spatial profession with renowned international and national panelists. This event, not to be missed, is free for members. [Book here](#)

MARCH

Live Stream Event: Recent Issues with Easements and Land Covenants - Friday 6 March, 10:00 - 11:00 am

This live stream event will cover easements and land covenants which are part of the bread and butter of subdivisions and land development projects. This webinar will have a practical focus on current issues. [Book here](#)

APRIL

S+SNZ Professional Exams

If you are planning to sit the Professional Exams in April, registration forms confirming your eligibility details must be received by 10 February 2020. [Read more and register here.](#)

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS - 2020 CONFERENCE 2- 4 November 2020, Rotorua



The call for abstracts, speakers and papers is now open. The theme *Unlocking New Zealand's Development* is timely with the choice of Rotorua as a conference location. We will aim to discuss challenges in regional areas, which include climate change and

developments outside of the main centres. Presentations related to the [broad theme](#) are welcome.

Submissions close 5pm, 6 March 2020.

- Submit your [Abstract here](#)
- Conference [Suggestion Box](#).

ADVOCACY



Seeking Expressions of interest to Help Shape a New National Code of Practice for Temporary Traffic Management

The New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA) has invited Survey and Spatial NZ to provide input into the overhaul of the *Code of Practice for Temporary Traffic Management*. This is an opportunity to have a collective voice to develop a range of risk-based options that better suit the needs of surveyors and spatial professionals whilst ensuring mitigation of harm to the users of the road corridor.

Expressions of Interest are being sought from members who have experience with working with the Code to form a Working Group that will examine the issues, develop options and prepare a submission to NZTA.

Please contact **Nick Taylor**, nick@cuttriss.co.nz expressing your interest along with a brief paragraph outlining how your experience working with the code will contribute, by no later than **5 pm Thursday 13 February**.

Scan of Proposed Legislation

The latest proposed [legislation scan](#) sets out legislation that is progressing through the House of Representatives. There are a number of Bills relating to urban development and infrastructure as well the proposed reforms to vocational education, that will impact the surveying and spatial sector.



ACHIEVEMENTS AND CELEBRATIONS!

Surveyors' Reunion - March 2020

Following a very successful reunion of Auckland Survey Cadets in 2015, a reunion for a NZ-wide group is planned for Friday 27 March. All those who trained under the old Survey Cadetship system, together with Diploma Graduates from the early days of the Survey School at Otago University, are welcome.

As before, the venue is the Waipuna Hotel and Conference Centre, Mt Wellington, Auckland. The Promenade Room has been booked from 12:00 noon to 5:00pm for a buffet lunch, and an opportunity to catch up with colleagues, at an estimated cost of \$85.00 per person, with a cash bar. The Hotel has good accommodation together with restaurants - and free parking.

We have some email addresses from the 2015 event but not all, so please share this message with any of your colleagues who may be interested in joining us on the day.

Please register your interest in attending the lunch 27 March with Alan Kinnear or John Yeoman along with your details (email; postal address and telephone number) so that you can be sent further information.

Alan Kinnear - alan.kinnear@xtra.co.nz , Phone 09 575 3773, Mob 021 678 353.

John Yeoman - jhy@xtra.co.nz, Phone 09 630 4710, Mob 0274 949 65.

IN THE NEWS

2019 Awards and Honours - Congratulations to two new Fellows, an Honorary Member and three Young Professionals

Three members were honoured at the AGM in November. We gained two new Fellows - Simon Jellie and Barry Greig and an Honorary Member, Dr Bruce Anderson. [Read the full news item.](#)

Three Young Professionals were presented awards by Rebecca Strang, President. Dave Robinson received the Bogle Young Surveyor of the Year and the Percy Dyett Awards; John Macfarlane the Maurice Crompton-Smith Memorial Prize and Nicki Shaw was the recipient of the State Sector Award. [Read the full news item.](#)

Keith Holswich, Taranaki Surveyor

Keith made the news on Stuff earlier in the year with his milestone of celebrating 50 years in the field. [Read his story on Stuff.](#)

S+SNZ YPs Feature on Outlook 2020's 40 Under 40 List

Well done to Taryn Martin and Dave Robinson who both feature on the list of motivated and accomplished young professionals under 40 years of age. [See the full list.](#)

Baldwin Street

Toby Stoff's quest to get Baldwin Street back in the *Guinness Book of World Records* is continuing following his visit to Wales. We're looking forward to Toby's write-up in the March edition of *Surveying+Spatial* magazine. [Read the NZ Herald item.](#)

Special Edition of NZ Surveyor Journal Published



To commemorate Tuia 250, Aotearoa NZ's history and 250 years of nation-building since Cook's voyage to NZ, a special edition of the NZ Surveyor Journal has been published.

Issue #305 was released in December and is available to read online or [download from the website.](#)



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- [Survey Technician](#), Auckland, Eighty4 Recruitment
- [Licensed Cadastral Surveyor](#), Auckland, Eighty4 Recruitment
- [Experienced Technicians/Surveyors/Licensed Cadastral Surveyors](#), Southern Land, Wanaka
- [Construction Surveyor](#), Eighty4 Recruitment, Auckland
- [Engineering/Construction Surveyors](#), Eighty4 Recruitment, Auckland

See the full list on the [Jobs Board](#).



2019 FULL MEMBER SURVEY RESULTS ARE IN

Thank you to everyone who completed the member survey. We had nearly 300 responses which included many informative free text comments. The results are currently being analysed and will inform the final report.

CASE NOTES

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

- This month we report on eight court decisions covering diverse situations associated with subdivision, development and land use activities from around the country;
- A prosecution of a developer of a large residential subdivision at Wanaka for allowing sediment discharge into the Clutha River;
- The decision of the Court of Appeal on jurisdictional issues involving the RMA and Fisheries Act in managing fishing activities and biodiversity protection near Motiti Island in the Bay of Plenty;
- A partly successful appeal to the High Court on points of law following an Environment Court decision on an application for consent to a residential cluster subdivision near the Cardrona River at Wanaka. Issues included appropriateness of consent notice conditions;
- The decision of the Environment Court on appeals relating to “outstanding natural landscapes” and “outstanding natural features” in the Queenstown Lakes DC proposed district plan;
- An unsuccessful application to the High Court by Waikato DC to join Auckland Council as a party to an appeal about transferrable rural subdivision lot rights between Port Waikato and Bombay;
- An appeal to the Court of Appeal about retrospective consent for an over-height earth bund against the boundary of a property at Speargrass Flat, near Queenstown;
- A jurisdictional appeal about planning provisions for quarrying in a “significant ecological area” at Brookby, Auckland;
- Another quarry-related appeal, this involved existing use rights for a quarry at Kamo, Whangarei.

[Read the full summaries and earlier case notes.](#)



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