

NEWSLETTER

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We are heading quickly toward shorter days and the festive season once again. Enjoy your newsletter and the festivities. See you there.

Kelvin (F.d.)

Meet the members...profiles on Ipenz members in the UK.

Derek Chisholm

Derek is a chartered Civil Engineer who has spent most of his career in the NZ Concrete Industry, initially in the precast concrete production management and more recently in concrete industry research and education. He was President of the NZ Concrete Society 2002-2003, and had close links with the NZ Ready Mix Concrete Industry. Derek represented his last employer, BRANZ Ltd. on a number of standards committees and was chairman of the durability subcommittee of NZS 3101:2005 which will be released later this year.

Derek came over to the UK in April this year with his wife Rosalie to take up a position with 'The Concrete Centre' as Project Manager Technical Publications. '- we are doing our OE towards the end of our career, our 3 children are now adults and no



grandchildren on the horizon so we have snuck away from NZ to do a bit of European travel for a while. Settling into the UK was a considerable challenge, stress levels reached a crescendo on the UK roundabouts, and thankfully we are becoming used to them now'. Derek & Rosalie have already holidayed in Spain and Greece and have settled in a 300 year old coach house in Sonning on Thames. Derek has a 5 year visa and will stay here for 'as long as it takes'

Welcome to the UK branch...

Welcome to Darren Sharpe and Samuel Sherwen, now in the UK, and congratulations to Graham Parker for attaining CPEng approval.

And if you get this in the post...

If you have an email address that I can use to deliver the newsletter and save licking & sticking stamps please let me know. Email either bkonia@ipenz.org.nz to get onto the National Office email or Editor@ipenz.org.uk and I'll add you to my list for UK Newsletters only. Thanks.

Recent Ipenz UK Events

Annual Family Day and Barbecue

The photos speak for themselves; another fantastic August day, the sizzle & smell of the charcoal barbies. Don't miss this one next year...



Who's hungry? Jonathan, Robert and Alex Kirker serving up.

Jonathan, Robert and Ian – smokin! Check out those legs!



Thames River Cruise

There were a few kiwis enjoying the sights of London from the Thames in September with the EA crew. Although the day wasn't as sunny as the barbecue day, it was a great opportunity to enjoy the refreshments and hear the challenges faced by some Engineers in completing their projects along the riverside.

Forthcoming Events

Event: Prestige Lecture - Indian Ocean Tsunami

Date: 11 November 2005

Venue: Arup Office - Ahm/Martin Room

13 Fitzroy Street, London W1T 4BQ

Price: No charge

Details: Dr Sean Wilkinson from the University of Newcastle will

present the findings of an Earthquake Engineering Field Investigation Team field mission to areas affected by the Indian Ocean Tsunami. See flyer for more information.

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Event: Joint Christmas Soirée – for IPENZ & EA members and guests

Date: 2 December 2005

Venue: Penthouse of New Zealand House, Haymarket, London,

SW1Y 4TE

Price: £15

Details: This year the Soirée is organised by Ipenz UK and the

fantastic vistas of London, from the Penthouse of New Zealand House, will once again be on offer, along with the great food, drinks and festive spirit. Put this evening in your diary now, and don't plan too much for the next day. Return the reply form at the end of this newsletter, or reply on-line

at www.ipenz.org.uk to book your place.

Event: Technical Talk · Crashworthiness of Trains

Date: January / February 2006

Venue: tba **Price**: tba

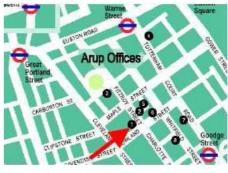
Details: Speaker: Ray Ford, Rolling Stock Engineer, Rail Safety and Standards Board. This is a topic of interest

to anyone who travels, as well as those of us that work in the railway industry.

Other technical talks and site visits will be arranged as opportunities arise: Attempts are still being made to organise a site visit to Heathrow Terminal 5, and also to the CTRL works at St Pancras. Make sure you're on the email list so you don't miss out.

If you or your company are working on a project, about which a talk, presentation at a technical meeting, or site visit could be arranged please contact the Chairman or the Hon. Secretary. Also, please contact them if there any sites of engineering interest you would like to visit or if you would like more details about any of the above events.

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Events hosted by other groups

The following events are being hosted by others but may be of interest to members of Ipenz UK. There are further events noted in the Ipenz UK website, plus links to the various societies' websites. Please contact the organisers of the events for further information.

Event: All Blacks Grand Slam Black Tie Charity Function

Date: Thursday, 17 November 2005 **Venue:** Battersea Park Marquee, London

Details: £120 per person. Exclusive tables of 10 or 12 can be reserved. All proceeds go to cancer research.

This black tie charity function is to honour the All Blacks v Lions series and the first Grand Slam

tour for 27 years.

For more information contact: Grandslamdinner@yahoo.co.uk or call 07903 459 730 or

07714 237 242 or visit www.grandslamdinner.co.uk

Event: Four Kiwis Walk Into A Bar

Time: Doors open 8.00pm, show starts 8.30pm

Date: Last Thursday of every month

Venue: Headliners Comedy Club, George IV, 185 Chiswick High Road, London W4 2DR

Details: Monthly stand-up comedy night featuring the best in Kiwi and honorary Kiwi comedy talent.

www.sanza.co.uk Tel: 07890 830142 Email: fourkiwicomedy@aol.com

Event: More than a tour - the 1905 All Blacks

Date: Exhibition on display until 12 March 2006

Venue: Museum of Rugby, Twickenham

Details: Early in the morning of 8 September 1905 a ship containing the New Zealand rugby team sailed into

Plymouth harbour.

New Zealand went on to play 32 matches in the British Isles and a further three on their way home. Only one side (Wales) defeated them and 23 of their opponents failed to score even a single point. The 1905 side scored more tries, scored more points and had fewer tries scored against them than

any other touring New Zealand side since. For more information refer to: www.rfu.com

IPENZ / EA Christmas Soiree Reply Slip

Please fill in the details on the form below and post it by November 25, along with your cheque, to:

IPENZ UK Branch Andrew Delugar 70 Cobham Road Fetcham Surrey KT22 9JS

Please make cheques payable to 'IPENZ UK Association'.
Please include me in the Christmas Soiree on 2 December 2005. Name:
Telephone:
Email:
There will be in my party, including myself.
Note that for New Zealand house security we need the names of all the people attending. Guest names:
My cheque for £ is enclosed (£15.00 per person to cover food and drink).