

NOVEMBER 2013

From the Chair

Greetings to our IPENZ UK members, and I trust that you have had an enjoyable summer. Like all Kiwis, I was shocked to see Team NZ beaten in the recent America's Cup – it seemed so wrong when we had a winning margin of 6 races. From a technical perspective the event was incredible to watch and I do hope we will be able to arrange a technical talk one day on this topic.



During the summer period we have enjoyed a few IPENZ events. The Thames Boat Cruise hosted by Engineers Australia was very successful; and there was a well-researched commentary on the Thames flood barriers given by our David Bigwood. Then there was the BBQ, held on the banks of the Thames at Henley Rowing Club, where we were able to say farewell and thank you to past Chairman Kelvin Smith (and his family) as they depart for an expat post in Doha.

Moving into autumn and winter there are some exciting events coming up, with the Soiree in December and technical talk in the New Year. It sounds early to be saying this, but may I wish you a very enjoyable Christmas and look forward to seeing you all at NZ House for the Soiree.

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It's open to non-members too...

Please join our IPENZ UK LinkedIn group. You can connect with other IPENZ members, learn of job opportunities, as well as keep up to date with Branch news and activities. It is an open group, so encourage your non-member colleagues to join as well.

Upcoming Events

Christmas Soirée – The Big Event

Friday 6 December, arrival from 6.30pm, doors close at 7pm

IPENZ UK cordially invites you and your partner to the Christmas 2013 Party in the Penthouse. Join us for fine NZ wine & beer, a delicious Christmas dinner and spectacular views across London.

Where: The Penthouse, New Zealand House,
Haymarket, London SW1Y 4TE

Attire: Formal or optional black-tie

Cost: £25 per person - IPENZ and EA members and partners
£30 per person – non-members and guests.



PUT IT IN YOUR DIARIES AND RSVP NOW! Strictly limited number of attendees at this fantastic venue and we expect the Party in the Penthouse to be a sell-out event. Please reply by 21 November at the latest.

To secure your place complete the [online reply form](#) and make your payment. Alternatively you can return the slip provided at the end of this newsletter, with your cheque, to Liam Duff. Email replies to be sent to Liam at HonSec@ipenz.org.uk. These details are also available at www.ipenz.org.uk

You are welcome to bring your partner and guests so please ensure you include them when you RSVP. If you or your partner has any special dietary requirements, also include this detail in the reply slip.

Graduates evening – requesting interest ...

Who: IPENZ UK Graduates
What: Graduates information night
When: **Early 2014** with date to be agreed subject to interest
Price: Free
RSVP: John Matthews at CACoordinator@ipenz.org.uk

Are you thinking about applying for MIPENZ and CP Eng, or just wondering what it is all about? The Graduate's night is for you. Please get in touch with John Matthews if you are interested in attending this evening. Last year was very successful, with one graduate now chartered.

Walkie Talkie Building

Date: TBC (January/February 2014)

Paul Walters from CH2M-HILL has offered to present a technical talk on the Walkie Talkie building. This building is currently the talk of London due to its nickname "walkie-scorchie" or "Fry-scraper". Its concave glass façade gained media attention during the summer of 2013 when it was reported that the reflection of sunlight off the unusually-shaped building was generating a beam of light up to six times brighter than direct sunlight shining onto the streets beneath.

Welcome to New Members

A warm welcome to the following IPENZ Members who have recently moved to the UK:

Professional Members: Erik Kunkel and Alasdair Sinclair.

Graduate Members: Mehedi Chowdhury; James Hatrick Smith; Brana Ravichelvan; and Alec Gregory.

UK Branch Auditor

The IPENZ UK Branch has been seeking a volunteer to take over the role of auditor. It is currently filled by Yolynda Delugar, which presents a possible conflict of interest in the committee. Selwyn Aickin has now offered to undertake the auditing role and we plan to make the change commencing with the 2013 financial year end. Thanks for the offer Selwyn, and thanks also to Yolynda for auditing the 2012 year accounts.

Technical Talks

Technical talks will be arranged during the year as suitable speakers and venues become available. If you would like to suggest a topic or project, please let us know and we'll make the arrangements - email Andrew at chair@ipenz.org.uk

Look for details on the website from December, and we will also send out a *Linked-in* notification for those registered with IPENZ UK group.

For future technical talks we are going to make all events joint with Engineers Australia UK Chapter. They will offer the same courtesy to IPENZ UK and this increases the opportunity to provide a range of interesting topics.

IPENZ Centenary 2014

GET YOUR THINKING CAPS ON!

2014 is the IPENZ Centenary year, and we are looking to mark the event in style here in the UK. The idea so far is to have an informal event at NZ House, including displays showcasing NZ and UK links in engineering, and technical development over the past century. We are also planning a tasting of NZ wines, and a guided visit around NZ house picking out some of the unique design features of the building.

We are looking for ideas / volunteers to help with researching a topic relating to NZ/UK engineering and technical heritage. Some examples so far include McLaren Formula One (started in NZ, now in UK), Air NZ aviation history with UK, and Americas Cup yacht design.

Any other ideas are welcome. Please email Andrew: Chair@ipenz.org.uk or Liam Duff: HonSec@ipenz.org.uk

Recent Events

Summer Family Barbecue

Approximately 30 people attended this very successful event on Sunday afternoon, 8 September. Although it was a little grey, nobody's spirits were dampened. Our new Chairman, Andrew Delugar, gave the leaving Chairman Kelvin Smith a good send off and thanks, which were well received. A thank you must be made to Ian Kirker for organising another brilliant BBQ by the Thames, and to his wife Melissa for co-ordinating the food – it was an excellent spread.



IPENZ/EA CHRISTMAS SOIREE - REPLY SLIP

Please fill in the details on the slip below and return it by **21st November 2013**, along with your cheque made payable to '**IPENZ UK Association**', to:

Liam Duff
IPENZ UK Branch
c/- 10 Fernlea
Bookham, Surrey
KT233NN



IPENZ / EA CHRISTMAS SOIRÉE

I will be attending the Christmas Soirée at New Zealand House on **6th December 2013**.

My Name _____

My Partner's Name (*if attending*) _____

I am a member of IPENZ / EA (*delete as appropriate*)

There will be _____ people in my party including myself.

Price: No. _____ @ £25.00 per person for IPENZ and EA members and their partners

No. _____ @ £30.00 per person for non-members and guests

My cheque for £_____ is enclosed.

For security reasons, please list the names of your guests below.

My Guests' Names:

Special Food Requirements:

Signature _____ Telephone No. _____

Email Address _____
