

FEBRUARY 2014

From the Chair

Greetings to our IPENZ UK members, and may I wish you and your families a happy new year. It was great to see so many IPENZ and Engineers Australia members and guests at the NZ House soiree in December. The convivial atmosphere, great views across London and plenty of sporting banter made for a very enjoyable evening.



In 2014 we have an exciting IPENZ Centenary year ahead, which will be celebrated in London by a special event at NZ House on Wednesday 2nd July. We will be celebrating the strong engineering and technical heritage shared between NZ and UK, as well as showcasing the story of IPENZ over the past 100 years. We are liaising with a number of UK based technical companies with kiwi heritage, and look forward to confirming who will be exhibiting and speaking at the event.

If you have ideas or energy to help make the Centenary event a great success, then we would love to hear from you - please email me. There will be other events as well - including technical talks, a site visit, and the traditional summer barbecue - see event information in this newsletter.

We will be sharing technical talks and some social events with Engineers Australia in order to broaden our topic range, and further strengthen the Tasman relationship here in UK ... which I am sure will last until the rugby season kicks in!

Best Wishes

Andrew Delugar

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Welcome to new Branch members

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

Professional Members: John Fitzgerald, Matthew Silvester, Craig Scott

Graduate Members: Claire Oliver, Matt Bell

Associate Members: Daniel Blair, Dean Morris

Upcoming Events

Graduates Evening

REQUESTING INTEREST! The Graduates' Evening is an opportunity for those contemplating MIPENZ, CPEng or Int(PE) status to find out about the alternative routes to professional membership.

When: Late April – date t.b.a. 6.30pm for refreshments, 7.00pm start

Where: CNM Offices, Hammersmith, London

Price: Free. Drink and nibbles provided

RSVP Interest: John Matthews at dfwmimp@hotmail.com or phone: (07710) 515 809

John will give a presentation on Professional Membership of IPENZ, along with a Q&A session. The evening will provide all the information relevant to graduate engineers (whether GIPENZ members or not) wanting to progress towards professional recognition. This seminar has proved popular in the past and is likely to provoke widespread interest.

If this is a topic that you have not considered before, we suggest that you prepare yourself by looking at the requirements for professional membership at <http://www.ipenz.org.nz/ipenz/join>

ANZAC Day Ten Pin Bowling with EA

Date: Friday 25 April
Venue: TBC

Our annual sporting conquest against the Australians. Yet again, we take on the highly competitive Engineers Australia team at ten pin bowling, pizza eating and beer drinking.

Walkie Talkie Building

Date: TBC (April / May 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.

IPENZ Centenary Evening

Date: Wednesday 2 July

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. We plan to showcase the depth and importance of technical and engineering exchange between NZ and UK over the past 100 years.



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.

We are communicating with some UK companies with NZ links such as Opus International, McLaren and Air NZ but are looking for any more ideas relating to NZ/ UK engineering and technical heritage.

Please email your ideas to Andrew at Chair@ipenz.org.uk or Liam Duff at HonSec@ipenz.org.uk

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, let us know and we'll make the arrangements - email Andrew at chair@ipenz.org.uk. Look on for details on the website 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.

Recent Events

Christmas Soirée December 2013

IPENZ UK held the Christmas Soiree at NZ House on the evening of 6 December. It was a fantastic evening on a beautiful clear night in London. With an attendance of 70 people, the atmosphere was buzzing and the conversation was flowing as all the NZ wines and beers were consumed. Thanks to everyone who attended to make the night special, especially Engineers Australia. On behalf of all attendees, thank you also to all those involved in organising the event.



IPENZ UK Branch Committee – 2013 / 2014



<http://www.linkedin.com/groups/IPENZ-UK-Branch-2232787>

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

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

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