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e-Newslink



WELCOME TO OUR FIRST ONLINE NEWSLETTER!

Welcome to e-Newslink - we will continue with pdf versions of Newslink however these will be interspersed with the online. Both will remain content rich but this version will link to more website material.

Help us come up with a new name - send your suggestions to nzis@surveyors.org.nz and the best suggestions go into a draw for a small prize.

Also, you'll notice your membership details are automatically pulled into the footer below from Memberconnex - to update or add details click on the link which will take you to the log-in page to update in *Your Dashboard*.

Develop Your Marketing Skills - Book Now for the First Webinar Next Tuesday, 15 March

Presented by THE Marketing Company, these webinars are designed to help you become more competitive in today's marketplace. The four webinars are scheduled to run from March to June and you will learn about essential negotiation, customer service, account management and business networking business skills. The first of the four webinars, *Essential Negotiation Skills* starts March 15.

Read more and book your places.

2016 Award of Excellence - Start Preparing Your Entry

It's time to start planning your entry for the 2016 Award of Excellence for the entry deadline of 1 May. Last year we trialled electronic receipt of project documents and images which was well received so we will repeat this process again this year.

We will also be holding a special Awards event around the 27 October in Wellington to announce the winning projects. For entry information and see previous winning entries see the Awards web page.



Point-cloud of The Bridge of Remembrance, Christchurch from last year's Gold award project from Wood and Partners Consulting - see more images.

Back Online - Land Title Surveys in New Zealand Book

The book, first published online in August 2012, is now available as pdf files on the NZIS website. Development of the book was a major project spanning 7 years involving countless hours of volunteer and paid effort. At the time it was a significant step forward for NZIS into defining NZ surveying knowledge and making it easily available to our members. Read more.

Link to Land Title Surveys in NZ Book (Members will need to log-in to view the book).







Reasons to attend Our First International Conference (in NZ)

We've been getting a lot of questions about the FIG Working Week and why we think it is so important for our profession and NZIS members to attend this international event Week in May. Read the FIG Working Week Q&As

FIG Working Week - Recovery from Disaster

Tuesday 2 May - Thursday 5 May, Christchurch

http://www.fig.net/fig2016/registration.htm

Update on the Greater Christchurch Regeneration Bill

The Local Government and Environment Committee have reported back to the House of Representatives on the Greater Christchurch Regeneration Bill. Read the NZIS media release.

Mark Allan, President and Shane Dixon, Canterbury Branch Chair presented to committee in December 2015 and the submission and supplementary information documents can be download from the NZIS website Advocacy section.

The committee's full report is available on the Parliament website - Link to pdf.

Connexis - Survey Technician Qualifications Correction

In February Newslink it was advised that some of the unit standards for the Survey Technician qualification were expiring at the end of the month. We have since been informed by Connexis (the Standard Setting Body) that this is not the case. Read the full item.

NZIS GROUPS



Young Professionals

This month covers the Cadastral Law Exam, farewell to YP secretary, Libby Whyte, the new look exec and why YPs should attend the 3rd Young Surveyors conference being held in Christchurch at the FIG Working Week in May. Read the full article.

A Must for Young Professionals to Attend - FIG Working Week and FIG 3rd Young Surveyors Conference

The FIG Working week including Young Surveyors Congress is coming up in April-May. We would love to see as many NZIS YP's as possible at both of the events. What will the YP's be doing? We have a great line up of: Quick Fire Presentations, Geocaching, Earthquake Tours, Disaster Relief Workshop, Technology workshops and of course plenty of social functions! Check out the website and the registration page for more details:

https://www.fig.net/fig2016/registration.htm



This month's article covers a recently completed earth deformation survey, the 14 February earthquake and details of the technical seminar being presented at the conference in May. Read the full article.

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Video Packages Available to Boost Your CPD points

We have developed several video training packages for different individual or business needs at discounted rates to assist with CPD and training requirements. Packages can be purchased for the following:

- 5 Video Subscription
- 10 Video Subscription
- 20 Video Subscription
- Unlimited individual subscription
- Business 10 Subscription Licences
- Business Unlimited Subscription Licences.

Each video is 1 CPD point - members will need to update their CPD points in the website after viewing the videos.

Health and Safety at Work Act - A Month To Go

With just under a month until the new legislation comes into force you should now be familiar with your new obligations both as an individual and/or a business owner. For more information and details of the resource package available see the NZIS Health and Safety at Work resource section.

Congratulations to the Facebook Summer Competition Winners!

Congratulations to Naomi Maria Walker, Alton Grayhound, Greg Byrom, Don Moir and Paul Newton.

Read more on our Facebook page.



One of the winning images – Chicken Island in Thailand

Survey problems with Multi-dwelling Units on a Single Title

Surveyors who have experienced problems with repairs, renovation, restoration, demolition or replacement of multi-dwelling units on a single title (for example strata titles, cross leases, retirement homes and papakainga housing, or units or buildings where mixed commercial or industrial use is combined with residential use). are invited to complete a survey being conducted by Universities of Canterbury and Otago. Read more

REGULAR FEATURES

Cadastral Corner Articles - Read the articles.

Recent Legislative Case-Note Summaries

From Thomson Reuter's "Your Environment" and "Alert24 -Land".

This month we report on six court decisions covering diverse situations associated with subdivision, development and land use activities from around the country.

Read the full summaries and download the pdf.

Some Quicklinks

- Property Click A new specialty website featuring property news and information.
- Assoc. of Surveyors of Papua New Guinea (ASPNG) 50th commemorative congress in Port Moresby 27 – 29 July. Read More.

