

BALDWIN STREET - THE RESULTS ARE IN!



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 which is due out shortly.

[Read the January 2020 NZ Herald item](#)

[Baldwin Street Wikipedia page.](#)

Draft Cadastral Survey Rules 2020

The recent series of workshops and webinars presented by Anselm Haanen, Surveyor-General and Lyndon Telfer, Assistant Survey-General enjoyed record numbers of attendees. More than 500 people joined various sessions, even as far away as Canada, to find out more about the rule changes.

If you missed the presentations, below is a link to the video. Submissions on the draft rules close 30 March 2020. For more information see [Stage three - Consultation on draft Cadastral Survey Rules 2020](#).

Watch the video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pNHclLuyW7M&t=473s>

OPPORTUNITIES TO GET INVOLVED IN S+SNZ GOVERNANCE

S+SNZ currently has several vacancies that provide rewarding opportunities for members to get involved in the governance of the organisation.

OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS:

Examinations Committee - Laws and Regulations Panel Member

Vacancy (applications close Friday 27 March 2020).

This role is rewarding and a great way to keep your knowledge current. The work of the panel helps to ensure that the standard of surveyors in New Zealand being issued with a *Cadastral Survey Licence* meet the requirements of the Cadastral Surveyors Licensing Board of New Zealand. This means they have been tested in their knowledge, interpretation and application of the law relating to cadastral surveys. [Read about the role and apply.](#)

Ethics Committee Member

The Ethics Committee is a Committee of Council responsible for promoting ethical and professional conduct and undertakes the first stage of investigations of complaints of breaches of the Code of Conduct by S+SNZ. [Read about the role and apply.](#)

OPEN TO VOTING MEMBERS OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT & URBAN DESIGN STREAM:

Land Development & Urban Design Stream - A casual vacancy has arisen for an LD&UD stream representative. Nominations forms will be sent out to all stream Voting members shortly.

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

MARCH



Webinar Event: Mapping Land Cover With Machine Learning - Friday 27 March, 10:00 - 11:00 am

Join the discussion and demonstration of how machine learning - a sub-field of artificial intelligence (AI) - has progressed to the stage where computer vision and deep learning in image analysis and classification is now viable for geospatial data production. [Register here.](#)

APRIL

Cadastral Law Exam - Registrations Close 3 April 2020

A reminder that registrations to sit the Cadastral Law Exam must be received by 3 April

2020. More information on how to apply is available on the [Cadastral Law Exam Procedure](#) page.

MAY



Webinar Event: Developing Leadership Through Public Speaking - Friday 01 May, 10:00 - 11:00

Leadership skills are essential for career development and business management. A core soft skill of the leadership toolbox is public speaking. Often viewed as only standing up and speaking to 10 or more people, public speaking skills are used every day. [Register here.](#)

Webinar Event: Property Law Tolls In Subdivisions - Friday 15 May 2020

This webinar will expand on a presentation at the 2019 S+SNZ conference to cover a legal perspective on matters that end up on titles when a subdivision is complete, and some of the key issues to consider so a surveyor can add greater value to the subdivision process. It will combine practical comments with consideration of recent case law.

[Register here.](#)

SAVE THE DATE - 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.

The conference organisers are keen to hear any ideas and suggestions from members. Please add them to

the [Suggestion Box](#).



ACHIEVEMENTS AND CELEBRATIONS!

Awards and Honours - PhDs Otago

Survey School students, Todd Redpath and James Berghan have both submitted their PhD manuscripts recently.

As part of the submission process, Todd and James were given the traditional chocolate fish from the Graduate Research School and invited to ring the historic University bell located by the iconic Clocktower

building – a tradition of the University. Read the full [Survey School News item](#)

Surveyors' Reunion, 27 March 2020 - Book for it now

Following a very successful reunion of Auckland Survey Cadets in 2015, a reunion for an 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 5:00 pm 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 maybe 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.



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- [Land Surveyor Roles](#), Tararua Land Surveyors, Upper Hutt & Levin
- [S+SNZ Laws and Regulations Panel Member Vacancy](#)
- [Senior Hydrographic Cartographer](#), LINZ, Wellington
- [Graduate Surveyor/Survey Technician](#), Terramark, Dunedin
- [Survey Technician or Licensed Cadastral Surveyor](#), Cato Bolam, Orewa
- [Surveyor](#), Davis Ogilvie, Nelson/Marlborough

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

12 Week Geospatial/Geomatic Internship Sought

A 12-week geomatic/geospatial internship is wanted by a student currently living and studying in Paris. For more information, please contact Alexis Bourgeois, alexistkkhc@gmail.com

CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) INFORMATION AND UPDATES

- [NZ Govt Information for Businesses](#)
- [NZ Ministry of Health Information](#)

Locate20 Conference Australia

This event is scheduled for 28-30 April in Brisbane, Australia. An update has been issued on the Locate website <https://www.locateconference.com/2020>



CASE NOTES

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

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

- An application to clarify whether a consent authority has jurisdiction to determine mana whenua for areas affected by proposed development resource consents in the Waitemata Harbour at Auckland port;
- An appeal to the High Court for judicial review of a decision of the EPA to allow the dumping of dredged material near Great Barrier Island;
- The successful prosecution of developers of a residential property on a steep hillside property at Khandallah, Wellington, who had undertaken excavation works to install services on a neighbouring property without resource consent
- An appeal to the High Court for judicial review of a decision of Queenstown Lakes District Council to approve on a non-notified basis, a building height and density when an appeal had been lodged against retaining the existing high-density zoning in the proposed district plan
- An appeal against the refusal of consent to the establishment of a retirement village in an existing residential area at Meadowbank, Auckland, which was settled by mediation
- The prosecution of a logging company for allowing waste material from a forest near Gisborne to be discharged on to nearby land and rivers following a large rainstorm
- Prosecution of two people at New Plymouth who engaged a contractor to trim a "listed" Moreton Bay fig tree overhanging their property without relevant resource consent
- A costs decision following the prosecution of a developer which had breached conditions of consent under the Housing Accords and Special Housing Areas Act 2013

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- An amended enforcement order against a developer who had undertaken unauthorised earthworks and other activities in close proximity to a stream and esplanade reserve land adjacent to his property.

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



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