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President's Notes:



Hello again to Everyone

All the members that attended the 40th Annual Quarry Conference will already appreciate what a truly memorable experience it was with the Maori Welcome at the Auckland Museum preceding the Gough's Dinner at this excellent venue.

The Local Council Representative's panel forum got the Thursday business sessions off to a great start with some vigorous debate and this was followed by a wide range of papers and speakers over the next two days.

Friday's field trip to Puketutu Island Quarry went off without a hitch with machinery displays from the Platinum Sponsors showing everyone the latest technology that is available.

The Orica Ladies Day was a trip to Waiheke Island, sightseeing around the local shops, historic features and wineries. Friday morning included a shopping spree to Sylvia Park. Both events were enjoyed by all participants.

We then proceeded to the Auckland Town Hall and were treated to a fantastic performance of theatre entertainment as part of the Komatsu Lunch. David Hogan, Chairman Hong Kong IOQ, said that this was the most outstanding social function that he had ever attended in his 30 years as a member of the Institute of Quarrying. Well done again to Steve Haines and the Komatsu Team.

Friday night brought on the Titan Volvo Awards Dinner with the usual award presentations from both the IOQ and the AQA. Congratulations to all the Award recipients.

As part of Friday night the IOQ also took some time to recognise where the IOQ NZ originated from and a number of awards were given to our "Founding Members". Some of these members were unable to attend on the night and their awards have been forwarded on since the Conference.

Congratulations must be extended to the Team that organised a very successful Conference, Andrew Dronjak and the Auckland Conference Committee, Roger Parton & Adrian Mattinson – Thank you for your efforts and also thank you to all the various sponsors that make this annual event possible.

As part of the Conference the World Presidents' Meeting was held in Auckland on Tuesday attended by Cedric Hollinsworth (UK), David Hogan (Hong Kong), Gert Coffee (South Africa), Dugald Gray & Greg Bondar (Australia) along with Warwick Leach and myself.

It was a very interesting meeting with updates from around the world on the economic position and the state of business in the different countries and the common issues that we are all facing. Overall NZ seems to be in one of the better positions business wise but we all face the same shortage of available resources and security of staff numbers in the upcoming years.

I have had some very positive feedback from all the World Presidents as to what a high class event the NZ Conference has become and their enjoyment at being able to participate along with all the local delegates and partners.

The Annual General Meeting was held with one change to the make-up of the Executive with Stephen Garwood being appointed to represent the North Island area South of Taihape. An election for a member from the floor between Les Ward and Andrew Dronjak resulted in Les Ward being re-elected to the Executive.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Andrew for his time and considerable efforts during his term on the Executive.

The financial position of IOQ NZ has improved considerable and a large part of this improvement is due to the support that we are receiving from our "Friends of IOQ NZ" sponsors. Please remember to support these sponsors in your day to day business and to continue and grow this important relationship.

We now look forward to another busy and successful year and planning is already under way for the next Conference in Tim Shadbolt territory, Invercargill next July.

"Take Care and Stay Safe"

George Kelcher
President
Institute of Quarrying NZ Inc

IOQ BRANCH REPORTS

WAIKATO/BAY OF PLENTY:

Once again, the Prime Explosives Annual Golf Tournament between Waikato/Bay and Auckland in July was a great success!!



This year, the course at Tahuna proved to be the winner on the day. Although the condition of the course was fantastic, the quality of the play from the bashers (Waikato/Bay) that were present was certainly not apparent – and in fact, there wasn't much quality play at all after a few cans of bourbon!!

Congratulations to Auckland who proved to be too strong (cunning) for Waikato/Bay. After much deliberation over a couple or three beers, it was unanimously decided (by Waikato/Bay) that the handicap system put forward by Auckland was not constitutional and gave them an unfair advantage – having real golfers didn't help matters either. It was decided that we better have a rematch next year with real rules!!

These types of events within the quarrying industry are a great way to get out and meet people and socialise knowing that we all have something in common (besides the fact that we cannot play golf). Next year we hope that the date doesn't clash with an All Blacks game (the excuse offered by the Aucklanders to get away early; we reckon they were getting back for the ticker tape parade down Queen Street!!) and that we have more young blood attending.



We must thank the organisers and sponsors; Clarrie Beardsmore of Prime Explosives who did an excellent job of supplying much needed refreshments on the course and to Porter Hire for the superb BBQ. Roll on next year and a Waikato/Bay victory!!



PS. There were a few good golfers there I've been told – but not that I can remember!!

Allan Prince,
HG Leach & Co.

PRIME EXPLOSIVES



CANTERBURY BRANCH:

A meeting was held at Komatsu, Christchurch, at 7pm on the 14th August 2008 and attended by Chairman Andrew Mahan, Dean Riordan, Andrew Royfee, Alan Rae, Paul McIlraith, Les Ward, Ray Platt, Glyn Eades, Ross Jury, Marc McSkimming, Tony Everett, Andrew Harvey, David Laing, Brendon Taege, Brian Docherty, Lindsay Forbes, Bryce Tunnicliffe, Les Harris, Peter MacRae, Allan McDowell, Tim Kennedy, Andy Loader and Des Smith. Apologies were received from Bob Kenny, Murray Frances, George Kelcher, Snow Edgar, Gavin Parker & I Hancox.



The well attended meeting was held at Komatsu's new Christchurch branch. An over-night trip to Oamaru was discussed further, with options of travelling down on the Friday night or Saturday morning. The date of Saturday the 1st of November has been set. After the Oamaru trip a joint meeting with Nelson is being looked at, meeting somewhere on the West Coast. The cost of conferences was raised by a number of people who attended the last

one. Invercargill will host next year's conference. Apart from moving it to all corners, it should also have a grass roots feel and encourage everyone in the lower South Island to attend.

Dean Riordan from Komatsu gave an overview of their new branch before we then moved through to the workshop to see and hear about the new Komatsu machines. The meeting closed 7.50 pm and was followed by a good supper. Many stayed on catching up on some networking. Many thanks to Komatsu for a great site and evening.

by Andrew Mahan

AUCKLAND BRANCH:

Note the upcoming event in your diary -

Tuesday the 21st of October at 5.30pm - Tour of Stevenson's Pug Mill And a Presentation from Jason Lowe

This will be a tour of their Facility to see what Stevenson's are up to and see how they are doing things.

Ross Ashby, Stevenson's Technical Manager, will be doing a Presentation on their Pug Mill. As well providing cups of tea a BBQ will be put on by Steve Ellis who claims to cook the best steak around.

Jason Lowe and Jayden Ellis will be doing a Presentation on "Industry Technical Representation" and the Role of the AQA Technical Committee. This presentation essentially covers why there is a need for strong Industry technical representation, the formation of the AQA Technical Committee, links and synergies with other Industry groups and some of their work to date.

Chairman – Andrew Dronjak



KEY LINKS

IOQ: www.ioqnz.co.nz

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EXITO: www.exito.org.nz

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Recognition of IoQ Founding Members

Earlier in the year it was decided that at this year's IOQ/AQA Annual Conference, 2008 founding members of the IoQ would be recognised and presented with a token of appreciation. During the Friday evening Titans Volvo Award Dinner, IoQ President George Kelcher gave this speech:



At this stage of the night we are going to take some time to look back in history, and to take a few minutes to thank those who have gone before us, for their efforts and the legacy which is now ours to enjoy.

In December 1967 a meeting was held at Portland Cement's offices at Linden with the intention of forming a steering committee to progress the formation of a New Zealand Branch of the IOQ. With support from the Parent Body in the United Kingdom, and the Australian Branch, the 26th - 27th June 1969 was selected to be, and subsequently became, the date of the first Annual General Meeting of the IOQ NZ Branch.

I believe that this particular group of interested individuals from within the NZ Quarry Industry back in the late 1960s must have had a vision into the future to have been able to provide what has followed on since that time. They must all be extremely proud and satisfied that the Institute of Quarrying NZ has carried on since its inauguration and is the strong vibrant organisation that we see here tonight.

There will have been a large number of people involved in various positions within the IOQ in the intervening years since then, but I believe we need to recognise, and thank, the people involved in originally founding the IOQ in our country. We also need to recognise the role of the original IOQ based out of the UK as this is where the IOQ Crest, the Rules we work under, and the IOQ philosophy came from, and we have the current President, Cedric Hollinsworth representing the UK here with us tonight.

It was at the instigation of Russell Vickers, and it is as a result of Russell's and Brian Bouzaid's efforts that we now have a list of people who we have deemed to be Founding Members. There has been considerable research undertaken, and a flexible criteria arrived at, as to who would be classified as a Founding Member. I sincerely hope that we have included everyone on this list that we should have, and if we have inadvertently missed anyone, I will apologise for this now. Sadly some of the people are no longer with us but still need to be remembered for their efforts and foresight, thank you to those members.

The people here in front of me represent a much larger number of Founding Members, and there is not sufficient time to list all of their names tonight.

Vickers Quarries, and Russell Vickers personally, have sponsored a special one off award in recognition of our Founding Members efforts. Thank you to Russell and the Vickers Family for this gesture.

It is with much pleasure that I would now like to call on Cedric Hollinsworth, President IOQ UK, to present these awards to these past and present members that we have here with us tonight.

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| • Bryan Bartley | • Max Laybourn | • Jack Stevenson | • Pat Wallbank |
| • George Cunningham | • John Sammons | • Gib Stuart | • Mike Walsh |
| • Jim Hunter | • George Stankovich | • Ray Vivian | • Wally Yelavich |

Thank you to Cedric for presenting these awards. And, thank you to everyone for your patience tonight with the length of the award ceremony and to our Sponsors for their contribution in making this event the success that it is. Please enjoy the rest of the evening.

George Kelcher, President IOQ NZ.



*Cedric Hollinsworth presented the
Founding Member Awards*

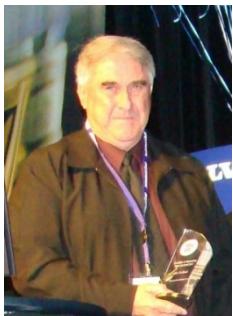
Bryan Bartley

George Cunningham





Ray Vivian



Pat Wallbank



Wally Yelavich



*Tony Hunter collected the award
on his father's behalf:
Jim Hunter*

Founding members who were not able to attend had their award posted to them –

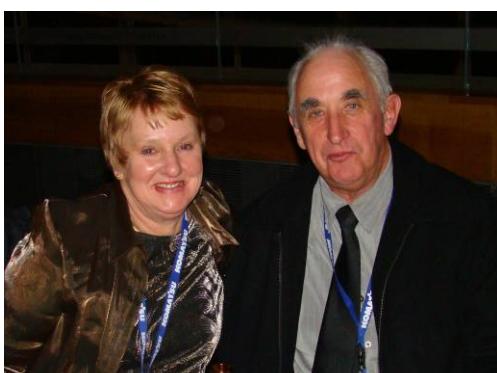
Max Laybourne - John Sammons - George Stankovich - Gib Stuart - Jack Stevenson - Mike Walsh

Wedding Notice



Adriianne & Alan Best

Married 9th July 2008 @ Conference



Very best wishes for your future together!



The Executive Committee of the Institute of Quarrying NZ Inc and Members of the Institute of Quarrying wish to offer their sincere condolences to Russell Vickers and family as Marie Vickers sadly, passed away recently.

The funeral service for Marie was held at The Stratford War Memorial Centre on Wednesday 13th August 2008. Over 500 people attended the service including members of the IoQ; Brian Bouzaid, Warwick Leach, Steve Ellis, Andy Loader, Andrew Robertson, Cobus Van Vuuren to name a few.

Whilst Russell was President and Immediate Past President of the IoQ, Marie attended many functions as well as attending every conference with Russell. Marie will be warmly remembered by many.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS:

At the IoQ Executive Board meeting held in Auckland in July the following new members and upgrades were approved:

Name	Location	Status	Branch
Kevin Walker	CHRISTCHURCH	Associate	Canterbury
Chris Gray	AUCKLAND	Member	Auckland
Steve Urquhart	WAIKU	Associate	Auckland
<i>To be approved at September Meeting:</i>			
Craig Harvey	INVERCARGILL	Associate	Otago
Matthew Hayle	AUCKLAND	Associate	Auckland
David Douglas	PALMERSTON NTH	Member	Central Districts
Marc McSkimming	CHRISTCHURCH	Associate	Canterbury
Jamie Lunam	MATAMATA	Associate	Waikato/BOP
Gary C Oliver	AUCKLAND	Associate	Auckland

Please note that an account has been sent for the year's subscription fee and the cost of affiliation fees to the UK.

Once this account has been paid, then the certificates can be sent to the calligrapher.

WINNERS OF AWARDS AT CONFERENCE 2008

KOMATSU AWARD



Gordon Laing
Fulton Hogan, Auckland

WEBSTER FAMILY EDUCATIONAL TRUST

Grant Cudby & Richard McKay

GOUGHS CAT AWARD



Dean Torstonson
H G Leach



Goughs Group CEO Andrew Green presented an extra award to **Nevil McKinley**, of Holcim Aggregates for the most efficient operator.

WINSTONE AWARD



Darcy Maddern
McDonalds Lime
Te Kuiti

R D HASSAD AWARD



Murray Francis
Road Metals
Christchurch
- award presented by G Kelcher

LYN JORDAN TROPHY



Bernie McDonald
Top Rock Drilling

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Rocktec
Lance McDonald accepts the award from Andy Loader

NEIMAC AWARD



Doug Upston
Palmers Quarry
- award presented by Tony Hunter

2008 HONORARY FELLOW

John Walrond
Chief Inspector
of Mines Tunnels & Quarries
Auckland





The StBG website - <http://www.stbg.de/site.aspx?url=/english/checks.html> has some very useful articles and free downloads for safety checks. The articles and information are written in English.

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You can access information which is freely available on safety checks designed by StBG for download.

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- Extraction of natural rock (ballast, chips)
- Processing of natural rock (ballast, chips)
- Extraction and processing of gravel and sand
- Extraction and processing of calcareous slate
- Recycling plants
- Production of concrete pipes, manhole rings and septic tanks
- Production of paving stones, edgings and kerbs
- Asphalt-mixing plants
- Employers' guide

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