



International Presidents Meeting of The Institute of Quarrying – 2004

New Zealand Presidents Report

Mr Chairman, fellow Presidents.

Tena Koutou Katoa - Greeting's to you.

It is with a sense of honour that I present to you the New Zealand report for 2004.

Attendance at this meeting and conference marks a celebration for New Zealand as we recall past Chairman Mr Gib Stuart, and International Liaison Committee Chairman Mr Bryan Bartley's attendance here in Chester in 1992 whereby Bryan was given personal pleasure of presenting Mr Stuart with the Institute's Citation Award in recognition of his contribution to the development of the NZ branch over many years.

Mr Stuart while retired is still very active within the Institute and regularly calls in to check on me at the Wellington City Council's Kiwi Point Quarry made famous by the invention of the Jim Macdonald "BARMAC" crusher.

Bryan Bartley while also not active within the industry today, recently attended our conference and in a recent letter to me he acknowledged that he found our conference of exceptionally high standard offering delegates a range of presentations of high technical quality.

I'm told the conference theme in 1992 was "Quarrying, Past, Present and Future". For me today this theme is very relevant as my board and I review "the Institute, its Past, Present and Future".

The importance of having quarries, our industry to our countries is unquestionable, but the general public still do not have a good perception of quarries and what they do. Today quarries, our industry needs to be not only profit driven, but environmentally friendly and consultative with local councils and residents.

This theme was therefore relevant at our recent conference. The 36th in New Zealand since a branch of the Institute was formed in Wellington back in 1968. *"think Taupo, think Rock"*. had a strong local flavour, highlighting how our industry contributed to Taupo a nationally and Internationally recognised tourist mecca.

Members attending our AGM confirmed the main activity of the Institute is to "promote the fellowship of members and enhance the image and professionalism of quarrying in New Zealand". Members further supported our direction forward and also confirmed the importance of documenting our past. The people, the places, the tools and the machines that have contributed to made the Institute what it is today.

Over the next 3 years we will be focusing on the following key areas being;

- Reviewing our Image with industry groups to promote what quarries and our members do;
- Promotion of the Institute through our WebPages, Industry Liaison and Recruitment;
- Regular communication to our members through an electronic newsletter;
- Sound representation on industry councils;
- Sound financial management
- Reward Institute members for services to the Institute and our Industry through our annual awards
- Presentation on Industry lectures for our members

Conclusion

In conclusion Institute membership currently stands at 375 with a further xxx actively training within our Extractive industry Training Organisation. It is this group that are our future.

“The long-term prosperity of the Institute in New Zealand can only be secured if the enthusiasm at the quarry face, the grass roots level is maintained within our membership”

While maintaining with pride and equally important the Professionalism of being an Institute member.

Noreira, Tena Koutou, Tena Koutou, Tena Koutou Katoa

Thank you.

Brian Bouzaid

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