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“Advancing the fellowship, development, and professionalism of our members and enhancing the image of the extractive industry”

President's Report



As 2024 draws to a close, I reflect on my initial months as President with a sense of profound gratitude and responsibility. It's been a whirlwind learning experience, and it's truly an honour to represent IOQ NZ (Inc.).

In October, I had the privilege of attending both the IQA Quarry Conference in Adelaide and my first International Presidents meeting.

The IQA Quarry Conference was a great event, and Adelaide is such a great venue for it. The conference theme was Innovate & Create and the lineup of speakers certainly delivered on this theme. Of particular interest to me was Jodi Goodhall's presentation titled "Are our safety metrics a blindfold to preventing fatalities?". In which Jodi highlighted that the focus on LTIs and MTIs tells you little about fatal risks. The causes of which are very different, and it is important that you develop fatal risk controls and ensure they are effective. It was also impressive to see so many attendees from New Zealand supporting that event. See photo on page 11.

During the International Presidents' panel, we discussed the unique challenges and opportunities our respective Institutes face. I was proud to report that the IOQ NZ (Inc.) is in a strong position at the moment. Over the last 10 years we have seen a significant growth in our membership and the QuarryNZ conference has become a huge success.

The field trip was to Boral Stoneyfell quarry in the Adelaide hills. This is Adelaide's oldest quarry that has been in operation since 1837. It has a fantastic view over the city and region. The International Presidents meeting was interesting. Some of the key discussions were, growth of the IOQ NZ (Inc.), challenges faced by existing IOQs and opportunities to share information globally.

We're currently conducting a SWOT analysis on each of the Institutes, with an aim to develop a global strategy for the IOQ.

It was also announced that the Caernarfon Award with awarded to Institute of Quarry Malaysia entry with the presentation covering "MYQPPI: A real-time Mobile App for Quarry Dust Monitoring and Malaysia wind for Blasting Analysis System".

Back home, I'm very pleased to announce that we have signed a contract with Gecco for a member management system and to develop a CPD module that will streamline the recording of CPD, and CoC submissions, for our members. We are expecting to have this system up and running in time for next year's conference. There will be a period of development and testing prior to this, including training for Branch committees. This forms part of a significant modernisation of our IT infrastructure. There will be a number of changes over the next year to our website, accounts system etc. to modernize and streamline our processes.

We've engaged Dwayne Barlow Media and Marketing to initiate interviews with key figures in our industry for the third instalment of our history book. This project, set to span the next two years, aims to document the narratives of those whose pioneering efforts have shaped our sector.

We are also pleased to announce we have two more Friends of the IOQ who have come on board to support the Institute. We welcome A.E.L and NZPGS—we kindly ask that members please support these Companies as you do for our other Friends of the IOQ.





**QUARRYNZ
2025 CONFERENCE
HAMILTON
9—11 JULY**

Presidents Report cont

Without a doubt many of you have had a tough year. We seem to have switched from “Survive to 25” to “The Fix in 26”. So, as we close the book on 2024, and have to brace ourselves for what looks like another challenging year 2025, I encourage everyone to take a well-deserved break this holiday season. It’s crucial to disconnect, spend time with loved ones, and recharge.

As we wrap up 2024 and face the challenges of 2025, remember that we've faced tough times before, and we'll overcome them again by moving forward with optimism. Positive steps help you achieve your goals.

Wishing you and your families a joyful holiday season and a happy New Year. I look forward to seeing you all in the coming year.

Chris Gray
IOQ NZ (Inc.) President



2025

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Invoices will be sent out early next year.

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**QUARRYNZ CONFERENCE
HAMILTON
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2025

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2025

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Northland Branch Report

Phil Dreadon
Northland Branch Chair

We held the tech night in Waipapa at Gas and Tyre. Thank you to them for the venue and BBQ, was a pretty good turn out, great to see a lot of the far north members come along.

Paul and Burt from Equip 2 were there and held a presentation on some of the new items of plant they are bringing out. A smaller version of the R3 is coming out in the near future which might be interesting to the smaller quarries about. They also showed a video of a shredder which made light work of timber and rubbish with steel in it. Could also be used in limestone to break it down before it gets pulverized for lime. Thank you for your time Paul and Burt.

AB Equipment held a Demo day at Dickson's Quarry yesterday. They had a Develon 30 ton dumper and Develon DL580-7 loader for those that went had a look and enjoyed the midday BBQ.

On 7 December, we have the bowls day for all that want to come for the end of year wind up, last year went really well so hopefully this year will be even better.

Hope everyone has a good holiday and maybe things will keep progressing to get better in the new year.



Marlborough/ Tasman Branch Report

By: Chris Marshall
Marlborough/Tasman
Branch Chair

It has been busy times for the top of the south for quarries and people are looking forward to a well-deserved break, next week in Blenheim we are catching up for a drink and some Christmas cheer at the Woodbourne tavern. We are still thinking of a field trip to Takaka and will look at this in the New Year.

I hope everyone has a safe and happy time over the holiday season, ready for another year.



Lower North Island Branch

Callum Slavin
Lower North Island Branch Chair

The lower North Island Branch is going ahead in leaps and bounds, our latest meeting was held at Hastings Brandt John Deere Construction workshop. With 45 persons in attendance there were plenty of learnings from presentations from Portly Griffiths WSP labs discussing the new testing standards and specs, Andrew from Sitech presentation on survey techniques and droning was also very interesting. The array of quarry construction equipment on show and the hosting of dinner and drinks was excellent with a big thanks to Brandt Hawkes Bay Team.

The feedback from attendees was that it was great to see a local meeting and a chance to catch up with each other, even discuss a bit of business and see how everyone else is going. Generally everyone was quite work wise and hoping for a pick up in the New Year. I would also like to thank our commercial supporters with their generosity in merchandise for attendees. With a gold coin donation into the meeting \$80 was raised for the Cranford Hospice so thank you to our members for that.

The next meeting is planned for Gisborne with many members enthused for a road trip up the coast, like quarry conference its good to get away and have a bit of mental health time while still sorta being on the clock as it was, myself I just had a training day with Mates for Life Hawkes Bay, a suicide prevention program which was a real eye opener and exposed me to subject I had no clue on. I cannot tell you how beneficial this was and hopefully training that I don't have to put into practice. In a business you're only as good as your team performs so what ever way you can look after them will pay back in folds.

Christmas is here now so don't forget to take a break and do nothing for a day or two and we will see you in the New Year. Please if you have any ideas for branch meetings or questions please contact me.



Auckland Branch Report

By: Lance Gosling
Auckland Branch Chair



Auckland Branch held our annual social event in September at Game Over go-kart track in Albany. As usual, this was a very well attended occasion where ten teams of four racers entered the event. The winner this year was the team from Winstone's Flat Top Quarry, with Redbull and Stevie's Drury Quarry second and third. Once again, the racing was competitive and it was great to see a range of participants from various quarries, as well as suppliers taking part.

In October Olsen Commercial hosted a technical evening, showing us the wide range of machinery and parts on display and available to the quarry and construction industries. They talked us through their methodology for their excavator bucket design and procurement, which are fabricated off-shore and shipped in for their clients. Information on the IOQ NZ (Inc.) training platforms was presented to provide members with a better understanding of how the Institute can assist with gaining CPD and showing what resources are available. Nathan Gibbons also gave a presentation about his trip to Finland earlier in the year to see some Metso gear in operation around the world. This was Nathan's prize from sponsor MIMICO after winning the MIMICO Mentor Award at last year's Awards Evening. Thanks to Olsen for warmly hosting this event and introducing us to their team and what they can offer our industry.

Our final event for the year was our annual Christmas Charity and Award Function held this year at Ellerslie Raceway. This was a chance to celebrate the outstanding work people have been doing around the quarry industry throughout the year and raising money to donate to a worthy local cause. TDX was our main sponsor for this event, and we are grateful for their support as well as the other businesses that contributed to the success of the evening. Shiro Nicol of Stevenson's Drury Quarry won the Loadrite Quarry Employee Award. Mitch O'Kane of Winstone's Hunua Quarry won the MIMICO Mentor Award. The Viking Paykel Shield, which recognises an outstanding contribution to the Auckland Branch, was won by Lance Cockle of Turnco. Other prizes on the night included Kennard's tickets to Eden Park, Aggregate Solution's \$350 door prize and Viking Conveyor's Loyalty Prize, which was also won by Lance Cockle. The final raffle prize of the evening was won by John Quayle whose chosen charity, Totora Hospice, will receive \$1,500 donation from loQ Auckland Branch. Congratulations to all our awards and prize winners and to all our sponsors for making a great night.

We are finalising event plans for next year and will distribute this shortly. Wishing everyone a merry Christmas and a safe and relaxing holiday.



Shiro Nicol
(left)



Mitchell O'Kane (left)



Lance Cockle (above)



Canterbury Branch Report

By: Troy Adamson
Canterbury Branch Chair



Not long to go with the downhill run into Christmas fast approaching!!!

Other than a few events the Branch has been reasonably quiet since last update.

On the **4th October**, Civil Contractors NZ (CCNZ) and the Institute of Quarrying (IOQ) Canterbury Westland branches joined forces once again hosting our 3rd consecutive annual charity golf day. This was a fantastic day and fully supported by a wide range of players and sponsors.

The Fulton Hogan team took out the title again this year, but the real winners on the day were our three chosen charities each taking away an even share of the \$26k raised, given the current economic climate this is an outstanding result and again an uplift from the previous year.

Again, we must thank all the sponsors, organising committee and players for making the successful day happen!



(JC & the Fulton Hogan Team)



23rd October, we held a technical meeting at Road Metals Rolleston Museum, had a great turnout which was pleasing. We heard from one of our local members, Andrew Mahan sharing and reflecting of his work career, with some great old photos to look at and theme of **self-preservation!!** Gavin Mason of Orica Mining presented on blasting and general explosive awareness, which was something new for a lot of our members. Thanks to the presenters and Road Metals for hosting and sponsoring the evening.



Road Metals—Stanleys Bar/Museum

Canterbury Branch Report cont....



21st November, saw us meet for our end of year Christmas function combined with a technical evening held at Russets brand new premises in Wigram. Numbers were low but always a challenge this time of year. Tim from Kinder Australia gave us a good run down on their product range and went into detail on some of the new innovative conveyor sealing systems available.

The Russets team showed us some new tools they use for cutting conveyor belt which was great to see what's available now and the safety benefits that come with it. Thanks to Dave and the Russet team for kindly hosting and sponsoring the evening.



(Russets new store and workshop)

Planning still going on in the background around our next field trip scheduled for Feb/Mar so keep an eye out for this.

With Christmas now only a few weeks away, I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy festive season, and I look forward to catching up in the new year.

Merry Christmas from **rocktec**
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Otago/Southland Branch Report

By: Jason Blair
Otago/Southland Branch Chair



With the end of year approaching the Otago/Southland branch held its final meeting for the year in Clyde. The meeting was preceded by tours of the Viblock production plant and the Earnsclough Road Metals quarry. Both sites were extremely interesting with Viblock showcasing local resources crushed at the Road Metals Quarry and other members sites located across the region in their products that are distributed across New Zealand. Road Metals Earnsclough shared their intriguing history including their role in the construction of the Clyde dam, river dredging for the power house and highlighting site plant upgrades that are currently underway.

Thank you to both Viblock and Road Metals teams for hosting us.

Thanks also goes to our sponsors of the evening MIMICO & Road Metals. Garth & Daryl (from MIMICO) spoke at the branch meeting, presenting the latest developments with MIMICO in our region and also presenting a technical paper on factors affecting impact crushers performance, wear parts selection and life.

Thank you to all the members, sponsors and employers that have made this year a success. We wish everyone a safe and happy festive season.



Branch Reports

Waikato/BOP Branch Report

By: Rob Smith
Waikato/BOP Branch
Chair



Warm Greetings from the Waikato and Bay of Plenty region. The Branch has had a relatively busy period with two technical Evenings, and the annual Christmas and Awards Function.

17 September 2024 | TDX / C&R Group Technical Evening, Cambridge:

Paul Hunt, Chief Inspector Extractives, WorkSafe NZ: Update regarding recent changes to the regulations in the context of the quarrying sector, and industry safety performance. Chris Gray, President, IOQ NZ (Inc.) – General update, and presentation regarding IOQ NZ (Inc.) Educational and Training Resources.



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October 2024 | Power Farming Technical Evening, Whakatane:

Shayne Elliott, Specialist Inspector Quarries, WorkSafe NZ: Update regarding recent changes to the regulations in the context of the quarrying sector. Chris Gray, President, IOQ NZ (Inc.) – General update, and presentation regarding IOQ NZ (Inc.) Educational and Training Resources.

Thanks to our hosts and organisers, the engaging presenters across both events for both their time and efforts, and the great questions and participation from the audiences.



Friday 8 November | Annual Christmas and Awards Function, Sky City, Hamilton:

A great night out in Hamilton with plenty of festive cheer. Thanks to our organisers James West, Dylan Ward, Morgan Ringrose, and Mark Baillie, the attendees, and of course our supportive sponsors. Special thanks to our Tier I sponsors for their support – C&R Developments | Crushing & Mining Supplies | J Swap | MIMICO.

- Stu Marsden Award

Individual young achiever within the extractive industry.

Herbert Van Veen, Revital Group – 2024 Winner

Michael Brown, Stevenson Aggregates – Highly Commended

Bailey Falconer, J Swap – Highly Commended



Waikato/BOP Branch Report cont...



- Pat Wallbank Award**
Recognises commitment and dedication to the Branch over a number of years.
 Ross Bros | C & R Group – 2024 Winner



From Left: Rob Smith – Branch Chairman, Te Uira Barton with the Pat Wallbank Award (Awarded to C&R Bros), Bailey Falconer (Highly Commended Young Achiever), 2024 Stu Marsden Winner – Herbert Van Veen, Michael Brown (Highly Commended Young Achiever), Dylan Ward – Branch Secretary.

The nominations coming forward for the Stu Marsden Award were of a very high quality. Leadership, work ethic, attitude, and professional development, were some of the key attributes shared by the 2024 Award recipients.



Above: Past Stu Marsden Award Winners in attendance with 2024 Winner - Herbert Van Veen



Above: Tony Jilesen, Jilesen Contractors, receiving one of the Raffle Prizes from James West.

Upcoming Events / Calendar:

- February / March 2025 TBC – C&R Technical Evening
- February / March 2025 TBC – Field Trip
- March TBC – Golf Day
- June TBC - AGM



Educational Officer Report



By: Paul Sutton

The Importance of Purposeful Continuing Professional Development

As professionals in the quarrying industry, we all understand the importance of staying up to date with the latest skills, knowledge, and best practices. With so many options for Continuing Professional Development (CPD) available through various organisations, it is essential to approach your CPD activities with purpose and strategy. It's not enough to simply meet the mandated hours; instead, members should be thoughtfully selecting development opportunities that align with both their career goals and operational needs.

The breadth of CPD offerings can sometimes be overwhelming, but the key to making it effective lies in intentional planning. Members are encouraged to take the time to investigate the wide range of CPD opportunities available and choose those that will best support their career trajectory. Whether you're looking to develop new leadership skills, stay on top of evolving safety systems, or navigate changes in legislation, the right CPD can provide a clear path to professional growth and operational excellence.

A balanced approach to CPD is also critical. In line with the WorkSafe CPD Guidelines for Extractives Certificates of Competence Holders, members should aim to spread their development across four key areas:

- **Leadership** – Cultivating leadership skills is essential, whether you're in a management role or aspire to one. It helps in guiding teams, improving productivity, and fostering a positive workplace culture.
- **Emergency Management** – Preparedness for emergencies is crucial in the quarrying and extractives sectors. Ongoing development in this area ensures that members are equipped with the knowledge to respond effectively to potential crises, enhancing both safety and compliance.
- **Legislation** – Keeping up with the ever-changing landscape of regulations and legislation is vital to ensure your operations remain compliant and in line with industry best practices.
- **Operating and Safety Systems** – Knowledge of the latest safety systems and operational best practices ensures that members can mitigate risks and create safer, more efficient working environments.

By spreading CPD efforts equally across these four areas, you will develop a well-rounded skill set that supports both personal growth and the operational success of your organisation. Rather than simply fulfilling a requirement, your CPD activities will become an integral part of your career progression, preparing you to take on new challenges and responsibilities.

In conclusion, I strongly encourage all members to approach CPD with a strategic mindset. Take the time to reflect on your career aspirations and operational needs, explore the many opportunities available, and select those that will help you stay at the forefront of our industry. Make your CPD a valuable investment in your professional development and the future of the quarrying sector.

Paul Sutton
IOQ NZ (Inc.) Educational Officer



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IOQ NZ (Inc.)
Educational Officer

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New Friends of the IOQ Welcome Aboard



IQA Conference—Adelaide

A number of attendees from NZ supported the Institute of Quarrying Australia conference held in Adelaide this year. Congratulations IQA on another successful conference.



2025 IOQ NZ Youth Programme



APPLICATIONS

NOW OPEN

Applications are now open for the 2025 IOQ NZ Youth Programme.

The ideal candidate will be able to demonstrate the following criteria to be considered:

- 1-2 years experience in the extractive industry
- Currently employed in the extractive industry
- Have the support of your employer
- Able to supply character references to determine suitability to programme
- Be between 18-35 years of age
- Must be committed to understanding and upholding the IOQ NZ code of conduct
- Candidate must put together four progress reports during the year.

The successful candidate will be eligible for the following:

- ◆ Complimentary entry to 2025 Quarry New Zealand Conference in Hamilton.
- ◆ Complimentary IOQ NZ student membership for 12 months
- ◆ Exposure to the extractive industry on a Regional and National level
- ◆ Opportunity to form relationships within the industry

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Jessie Sutton
Luke Balsillie

2018

Dylan Ward

2019

Chris Ilton
Nathan Taylor

2020

Jack Ford
Megan Leeson
Nicola Hardy

2021

Bonnie Walker

2022

Cameron Frew
Zander King

2023

Regan Hooper

2024

Jack Kelliher



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1. Go to your APP store or Google Play and download the **1 Team App** as per picture above.

2. Once the APP is opened – click in the top right-hand corner of the screen where it says **Login**.

3. Click on **Register Acc.**

4. Enter your first name and last name, email address, unique membership number (refer to email sent), enter a password of your choice and confirm your password.

5. Click **Create** and you are all good to go!

IOQ NZ (Inc.) MEMBER DISCOUNTS

1 TEAM APP

We are pleased to announce this year we are using the **1 Team APP** for members to access their IOQ NZ (Inc.) membership discounts.

The benefits of using the APP is that members can now access up to **42 Nationwide Stores** compared with the 16 stores which are displayed on a membership discount card.

These include but are not limited to:

- Torpedo 7 - 30% off
- Hertz Car Rental - 35% off
- Big Save Furniture - 25% off
- Millennium and Copthorne Hotels – 20% off daily room rate
- Beaufairs - 15% off
- Repco – 15% off
- Scenic Group Hotels – 10% off
- Mole Map - 10%



Instructions on how to download the APP and your unique membership number was emailed to all IOQ NZ (Inc.) members on 26 January 2023.

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FRIENDS OF THE IOQ



Vickers Quarries



BOE Update

Mining Board of Examiners

The BOE ended the year with its last meeting of the year on the 4th of Dec 2024. The meeting was a simple online meeting and was very routine in nature without any significant issue that needed to be highlighted in this article.

Although the nature of the business-as-usual updates, and just general discussion about work on the BoE agenda, did not give me anything in particular to write about, it did prompt me to focus this update on who and why there is a BoE and remind readers why the BoE exists. It is often surprising that the relationship of the BoE and WorkSafe is misunderstood and therefore there is misunderstandings of who is responsible for what.

First off, the New Zealand Mining Board of Examiners (BoE) is an “independent” Board of persons formed because the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 requires them to be formed. (Schedule 3 Part 2 (27) of the act). The act states WorkSafe must establish the BoE. It gives direction to who should be on the board Schedule 3 Part 2 (4) – members have between then knowledge and experience in Mining operations, H&S inspection, Mining education, Mining Industry training (note Mining is interpreted to include all of Quarry, Tunnel, Mining) It says WorkSafe may appoint WorkSafe Representatives, and appoint one person to be a Chairperson

It also says Schedule 3 Part 2 (30) That the BoE may determine its own procedure.

So, when I write to you as Chairman of the BoE, I have been appointed by WorkSafe as a WorkSafe employee as a board member, and also appointed as BoE Chairperson – When I write these articles, I am always careful to say “The BoE think....” or “WorkSafe think....” depending on what is the correct position and what information is being conveyed. WorkSafe and the BoE are not the same “organisation”.

The responsibilities or “functions” of the BoE are in fact separate to WorkSafe responsibilities. The BoEs responsibilities are as stated in schedule 23 Part 2 as below.

There is often confusion about who sets the CoC requirements – The BoE do not set them, in fact WorkSafe facilitate the posting of a Safe Work Instrument prescribing the requirements Reg 34 Mining Quarrying Operations Regulations. The BoE are an important adviser to WorkSafe, with their recommendations normally forming the basis for the first SWI proposal that goes to consultation. But following consultation WorkSafe will need to consider any reasonable stakeholder submissions, legal limitations or other important practical implications that are identified before determining what the final SWI will state.

The BOE themselves are then tasked with completing the examining of applicants and the

and the issuing of the CoC’s. The BoE have determined this examination process themselves. All CoC issued are approved by the BoE, not WorkSafe. WorkSafe do provide the BoE Secretariat, or support team, to ensure this process can be completed, as the BoE board members have not been selected to undertake administrative tasks.

While the issuing of the CoCs is always the responsibility BoE, they did decide it was appropriate to use other industry persons called “panel of examiners” to conduct oral examinations. This is to ensure there are sufficient panel members with appropriate knowledge and experience across NZ to conduct all of the required oral examinations for the different CoCs. The panel examines an applicant and then provides a recommendation and summary of the responses of the applicant to support their recommendations to the actual BoE to make the final decision. Only the BoE make decisions about issuing CoC’s. Not the panel of examiners, or the WorkSafe Secretariat.

One other update – As you may be aware we have had some recent changes in the BOE Secretariat. Last publication we welcomed Ashley Porter and farewellled Eljin Mathews. On this occasion we are pleased to announce that we are back to a full team with the recent internal appointment (secondment) of Rebecca



Paul Hunt

WorkSafe Chief Inspector of Extractive Industries

Partridge-Lynds into the vacant role left by Eljin.

Rebecca comes very experienced with the WorkSafe systems used in processing CoC applications and issuing of CoC’s, and we were very pleased how easily she has fitted into our team. Panel members and future CoC applicants will no doubt encounter Rebecca – when talking to her, please welcome her into the BoE Secretariat team, as that also means she is a new member of the Extractives Industry and I like to think we are a very connected and welcoming industry!

See page 14 for an introduction of Rebecca Partridge-Lynds.



28 Functions of Board

The functions of the Board are—

- (a) to **advise** WorkSafe on competency requirements for mine workers;
- (b) to **examine** applicants, or have applicants examined, for certificates of competence;
- (c) to **issue, renew, cancel, and suspend** certificates of competence;
- (d) any other function relating to training and competency requirements for participants in the extractives industry conferred on the Board by regulations made under this Act.

WORKSAFE

NEW ZEALAND | MAHI HAUMARU
AOTEAROA

I am Rebecca the new assistant advisor. I have worked at WorkSafe for four years across adventure activities, occupational diving and asbestos. Prior to working for WorkSafe I was travelling the world and working overseas.

I have enjoyed what I have learnt so far about the extractives industry and look forward to learning more. My prime function in this role is to action application and respond to enquiries.

I also hope to add value to process and system improvement currently underway in the Secretariat team.



MITO Update



- Learners engaged in total over the year; data as at 11 November 2024.

| Programme | Number of learners 2024 (YTD) |
|--|-------------------------------|
| A Grade Surface Extraction | 16 |
| A Grade Tunnel Manager | 2 |
| B Grade Surface Extraction | 101 |
| B Grade Tunnel Manager | 1 |
| Safe Working Practices (Micro-credential) | 10 |
| Site Construction and Maintenance (Micro-credential) | 5 |
| Standard Operating Procedures (Micro-credential) | 2 |
| Incident Investigation | 4 |
| RockUp® micro-credential (secondary schools) | 7 |
| Safety Critical Explosives Knowledge | 3 |
| Safety Critical Surface Manager | 16 |
| Surface Extraction Level 2 | 33 |
| Surface First Line Supervision Level 4 | 2 |
| Total enrolments | 202 |

- GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO INTRODUCE SECONDARY STUDENTS TO THE EXTRACTIVES INDUSTRY**—Our RockUp® micro-credential, for secondary students to complete while they are at school, is a great way to expose young people to the mining and quarrying industry. If you would like to host a student in the new year, please contact our Vocational Careers Advisors via email at vca@mito.org.nz. More information about RockUp can be found [here](#).
- PROGRAMME DEVELOPMENT**— MITO is working with Hanga-Aro-Rau and industry on the development of a series of Certificate of Competence (CoC) micro-credentials to support the Safe Work Instrument framework. Once approved by NZQA, we will apply for accreditation and develop resources.



WAYNE SCOTT

MinEx CEO

“Together with IOQ NZ, Straterra and AQA, we are pleased to again support the Komatsu Women in Extractives event to be held in Christchurch, on Thursday 20 March 2025. The event has been extended this year to include a presentation and panel session prior to the luncheon, which will provide 4 hours CPD.”

Awards on offer:

*The Kristy Christensen
Memorial Award*

The Emerging Star Award

The Leader of the Year



MinEx Update

By: Wayne Scott—MinEx CEO

Together with IOQ NZ (Inc.), Straterra and AQA, we are pleased to again support the **Komatsu Women in Extractives** event to be held in Christchurch, on Thursday 20 March 2025. The event has been extended this year to include a presentation and panel session prior to the luncheon, which will provide 4 hours CPD.

In 2025 we are accepting nominations for the following three awards:

- **The Kristy Christensen Memorial Award** (sponsored by MinEx and named in honour of its late former Board member) will recognise someone who, like Kristy, is a leader within your company that supports diversity and inclusion in the workplace and who will find ways to make it happen in a way that benefits all involved.
- **The Emerging Star Award (sponsored by MITO)** will recognise a someone who over the past year, and during their career, has brought fresh ideas to their role and demonstrated unwavering commitment to outstanding personal performance, and innovative thinking to provide value for their company, as well as for themselves.
- **The Leader of the Year (sponsored by Hanga-aro-rau)** will recognise a leader who has demonstrated vision, dedication, and determination for their team to succeed. This person will be a leader who develops their team members through purpose and passion, sharing of experience, and a commitment to teamwork. They will have demonstrated a commitment to diversity and inclusion in their everyday work.

Please send your nominations/entries to event@straterra.co.nz by COB Friday 21 February 2025.

We have added a number of Toolbox talk ideas, videos, presentations etc. to the section on the MinEx website for Toolbox talks and presentations. These include short podcasts and videos that you can use to add some variety to your toolbox meetings. Details can be found at <https://www.minex.org.nz/training-and-cocs/toolbox/>

MinEx workshops have been well attended again in 2024, and we are currently putting together the 2025 workshops which are planned to start in Blenheim on Mon 10 March 2025. We are being assisted next year by guest presenters from the sector and assisted with delivery by WorkSafe inspectors. Keep an eye on our Train Brain newsletters or visit the MinEx website for details. www.minex.org.nz

We are always looking for incidents and learnings from them so please share your incidents and other H&S learnings or insights with us at office@minex.org.nz, so that we can share it anonymously with the sector.

I hope you and your families have a great Xmas and prosperous 2025. Let's continue to work together to keep ourselves and our workers safe.

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Sandvik is excited to announce the appointment of Porter Group as its official distributor for crushing equipment in New Zealand.

This strategic partnership highlights Sandvik's commitment to delivering world-class solutions with unmatched local support, giving customers the best of both worlds — global innovation with local expertise.

As the new Crushing Solutions distributor, Porter Group will lead the sales and service of Sandvik's leading range of crushers, ensuring customers not only benefit from superior equipment but also from comprehensive aftermarket care, including spare parts and local service support.

Darren Ralph, Chief Operating Officer at Porter Group, expressed his enthusiasm for the collaboration: "The Porter Group is thrilled to extend our long-standing relationship with Sandvik, with the signing of the agreement to distribute and represent Sandvik stationary crushers in New Zealand.

"Two iconic brands in New Zealand, the Porter Group and Sandvik, form a formidable partnership to further enhance the product offering and service provided to New Zealand's extraction and recycling industries. We look forward to making significant progress with the product range and assisting our valued customer base with their requirements in this area."

Sandvik Rock Processing Solutions, Vice President Original Equipment for Oceania - Amit Parimoo added: "Sandvik's decision to expand its collaboration with Porter Group aligns perfectly with our strategy to enhance customer focus and bring our cutting-edge solutions closer to the local market. Together with Porter Group, we will drive greater efficiencies for New Zealand's mining and aggregates sectors by combining world-class technology with trusted, local service. Our shared goal is to help customers achieve maximum productivity while lowering their environmental impact."

The synergy between Porter Group, an industry leader since 1945, and Sandvik — a global pioneer in rock processing solutions with over 160 years of expertise — ushers in a new era of excellence.

Together, Sandvik and Porter Group will provide top-tier products alongside unrivalled support, from initial sales to ongoing maintenance and technical assistance, as we work to bring innovative, sustainable, and cost-effective solutions to New Zealand's industries.

Stay tuned for the upcoming launch of Sandvik's full range of stationary crushers and screens.

We're excited to bring you innovative, high-performance solutions that will elevate your operations. Keep an eye out for more details soon!



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**Wishing all of our IOQ NZ members a safe Merry Xmas
and Happy New Year**



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