

THE NEW ZEALAND INSTITUTION OF GAS ENGINEERS (INC).

Newsletter to Members

March 2002

Welcome to this edition of the NZIGE newsletter. These are produced on an 'occasional' basis to correspond with our members and keep you up to date with activities and areas of interest to the Institution. Please enjoy!

New Rule Books

With this newsletter you will receive a copy of the recently reprinted rule book which has the latest changes as passed at the 2000 AGM. Please discard any old copies of rules you might have.

Website

NZIGE now has it's own website at www.nzige.org.nz. This is hosted by IPENZ however we have registered our own domain address. If you have any comments in relation to the website – or notice anything incorrect – please let John Davidson know.



Council

The Council for the 2001/2002 year as elected at the AGM are:

Ian Chapman President
Tony Williams Past President
Peter Thorley Vice President
John Davidson Secretary/Treasurer
Danny Muthumala, Craig Muirhead and Barry
Kinchin Corporate Members
Geoff Brown and Ian Gallaugher Associate
Members.

Welcome to the new Council members: John, Barry and Ian Gallaugher



Workshops

The Council is currently investigating the following possibilities for workshops:

- Gas Flow Measurement
- Power Fluing of Appliances (in association with GASA)
- CO detection in the household (in association with GASA)
- Accounting for Engineers (suggested at AGM)
 We will update members on progress on these.

2001 Technical Seminar Review

A very successful seminar was held in Wellington in October with 45 delegates attending. Our theme 'Protecting our People, Preserving our Planet' brought a good mix of Health, Safety & Environment to the usual technical presentations. We have received favourable comments regarding the quality of presentations and the interesting topics and theme. We continued on recent years success by inviting specialists from outside the industry to do presentations on topics that increased the knowledge and skills of our members and benefited the NZ gas industry. A group photo from the seminar will be included in this mailout for those that attended.



Horrocks Medal

The judges for the Horrocks Medal at the seminar have recommended that no medal be awarded due to the criteria not being fully met – particularly the requirement for producing a technical paper. It needs to be noted that Council believes the presentations and topics at the last seminar were of a high standard and great value to our members and the industry as evidenced by the

favourable comments received. The Horrocks medal judging criteria puts emphasis on producing a technical paper in addition to the presentation. With the trend in recent years to power point presentations and a CD to increase the quality and professionalism of the seminar, there has been a move away from producing a traditional 'paper'. Council will review the Horrocks medal requirements and will advise members in the future. If anyone has any comments/ideas on this please contact a council member to discuss.



2002 Technical seminar

This years seminar will be held at the Waipuna Conference centre in Auckland on 14 and 15 October. Further details will be advised when finalised. If anyone has any ideas for possible presentation topics or would like to do a presentation at the seminar please contact any of the Council.

Scholarship

NZIGE has again budgeted \$2000 for member scholarship. Applications for activities that will benefit an individual member's professional development, NZIGE membership in general and the NZ gas industry will be considered. The Council has set some guidelines for assessing applications to ensure this is done in a fair and consistent manner. Any inquiries should be made to lan Chapman.

Application Form

The application form has been revised in the effort to make it smaller and easier to complete. We have added the membership requirements to the last page so prospective members can chose the grade that most suits them. Copies can be obtained from the website or contact John Davidson.

IGasEM

The IGE UK has renamed itself the Institute of Gas Engineers and Managers (IGasEM) to better reflect their membership in the changing UK gas industry. We have received a copy of the criteria for membership – if anyone would like a copy please contact John Davidson.

Email Addresses

We would like to update our email address list so we can correspond more efficiently with members where available. Could all members who have email please send this to John Davidson at the address below – even if this has been supplied previously. Obviously members without email access will still receive all correspondence by post.



Change of Details

Could all members please ensure that any changes to contact details - address, phone no's, employer, email etc are notified to IPENZ so we can keep our membership database up to date.

IPENZ address

When mailing anything to NZIGE please use the IPENZ address – NZIGE PO Box 12241 Wellington.

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