



Logbooks

Many companies have been given exemptions for operators not to complete logbooks and the actions of Land Transport New Zealand in handling the matter is acknowledged.

Companies must ensure that they abide by both the rules and the work time requirements. There will be "emergencies" causing companies to exceed the work time rules and the authorities have indicated their willingness to show understanding. A couple of recent cases has highlighted that there is flexibility within the system.

Code of Practice

As a result of the approaches made to the Minister by your Association, a meeting was held in late October with officials from the Department of Labour. We discussed our areas of concern with them regarding the latest version of the Code and we'll report their response back to members when we receive it.

Membership

We welcome the following:

Full members:

- Junction Road Transport Ltd
- General Metal Recyclers Ltd
- Auckland Construction Equipment
- Banks Engineering Services Ltd
- Hinuera Natural Stone Ltd

Associate members:

- Mimico
- Chester Consultants Ltd
- Bureau Veritas (New Zealand) Ltd
- Nortel 1998 Ltd

Resigned membership

Full members:

- Palmers Mechanical Ltd

Associate members:

- Professional Operator Services Ltd
- James Equipment Ltd

ITO News

Assessors and moderators from around the country met in Wellington for 2 days in late October. They discussed common challenges and problems and worked on training guides and other resources needed for a further batch of new Unit Standards. These are currently being considered for registration by the New Zealand Qualifications Authority. This is the second national meeting that has been held and early indications are that it was most successful.



Snippets

Crane Inspections

The sub-committee on this topic has met again and is finalizing its position before putting it to the members.

Membership stickers

Don't forget the Association's stickers. Ask us if you need more - free to members.

Crane Project of the Year

Remember to consider your jobs for Crane Project of the

Year. The criteria for entry can be obtained from our office.

Photographs

Our newsletter and web site publisher is always on the lookout for good crane (or project) photos. Send high resolution JPEG images to us. Take the opportunity to publicise your work to the industry and potential customers

Sponsorship of Newsletter

If you would like to sponsor

the newsletter please send a high resolution logo from your company. The cost is \$200 (plus GST) per issue for a maximum of 3 months. If there are multiple offers, we'll choose on a first-come, first-served basis.

2008 Australian conference

CICA have advised that their 2008 conference will be at the Sofitel in Melbourne on 4th & 5th September

From the President

October has continued to be a pretty busy month for us all and there has been a lot going on within the Association. Unfortunately my plea in the October newsletter for people to provide the data regarding the age of cranes and also for topics for the conference fell on deaf ears and not a single response was received. The "age of cranes" exercise has been completed and the level of response from members was pretty low.

As it appears that there is not much interest in a conference the council will consider at its next meeting in November whether to hold one next year or just the annual general meetings which are required by law.

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