



WHAT'S HAPPENING?

April 2005

Congratulations

to our new

Members:

 Paul

Felsovary

Victoria

Member

 Bruce

Rudd

NSW

Associate

Member

New Diary

Dates

Explosives

Seminar

June 21, 6PM

2005 Annual General Meeting

This year's AGM will be held at Ryde-Eastwood Leagues Club on Friday, July 8, commencing at 3 PM. An AGM package will be sent to you in the coming weeks and you might like to consider standing for a position on the Board. In the current situation with Dangerous Goods Consultants and the changes in Regulations, we all need as much assistance as possible!

Marketing Strategy

Just to give you an insight on what's happening with marketing - our marketing strategy over the next 12 months will be "to raise the profile of AIDGC by educating potential users of Dangerous Goods Consultants about Dangerous Goods and the benefits of using a dangerous goods specialist". As mentioned previously - at July's AGM we will be running through the marketing plan in detail including the tactics we will use and the material we are going to produce to make it happen. So stay tuned for the full story.

Scholarship Fund

Terry Grainger has donated an Honorarium received for his work for AIDGC in Queensland to the establishment of a Scholarship Fund for potential new Dangerous Goods Consultants. Thank you Terry!

Website

Sean Page is to review the overall content of the website for current practicality. Tony, who organized the Members' Only page, has decided that his next project is to set up a Links page so that Members can easily access relevant information and news on the internet.

Examinations

Ross Underwood, our Examinations Co-Ordinator would like Members to be aware that with the pending introduction of new regulations, there will be some delay while revised membership examination papers are devised and finalised. The requirement to adapt to performance-based rather than prescriptive requirements is currently being considered, and a fair and reasonable test of candidate's competence in this regime will need to be incorporated into our system

Wal. Southwell
Ryde-Eastwood
Leagues Club,
Rydedale Road
West Ryde

Annual General Meeting

Friday, July 8, 2005

Starting at 3 PM

Ryde-Eastwood
Leagues Club,
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All bookings:
robyn@f1.net.au

HazMat 2005
is on in Sydney
this year!!!
May 12 and 13.
AIDGC Members
receive discounted
registration. For
details visit

Any Member who is thinking of upgrading by adding additional classes to their member listing, or any Associate who intends to sit for full membership entry, may avoid the expected delay by applying now under the current arrangements.

If you wish to take advantage of this window of opportunity, you should contact Ross on sets@ozemail.com.au or telephone him at the numbers listed in the AIDGC List of Consultants.

Technical Presentations

Our Seminars have been received very well this year. As you can see on the 'Diary Dates', Wal. Southwell is to give us the benefit of his great expertise in the explosives area. A flyer has not been distributed as yet, but the date is firm, so if you wish to book you can do so right now.

We have also organized a product information evening on tank testing in November. This is to be given by Masstech. Details later.

The Board is concerned that some Members are unable to attend our Seminars and Site Visits – both of which are important for your Continuing Professional Development points. We are investigating alternate ways of providing them with seminar content (including video) as some Speakers have not given, or do not wish to issue session notes, which up to now have been forwarded onto requesting Members.

If you have any suggestions or queries please do not hesitate to contact the AIDGC Executive Officer robyn@f1.net.au or leave a message with the AIDGC paging service 02 9430 6739 and I will return your call.

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