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172nd General Meeting

The 172nd General Meeting of the Surveying & Mapping Industry Council of NSW was held on Friday 12th of February at the Association of Consulting Surveyors (ACS) offices and via videoconference.

Upcoming Events

The following CPD and general interest events may be of interest to our readers. For more information, or details on recorded webinars, please contact the organisers or visit their websites.

- **February through April** – DBYD seminars (multiple sessions)
- **23 February 2021** – ACS Virtual Workshop – Jim Collins, The Roadmap to Greatness
- **4 March 2021** – SSSI Webinar – Women in Surveying
- **12 March 2021** – ACS Webinar – Subdivision Certifiers
- **23 March 2021** – SSSI Webinar – Celebrating Local Surveyors
- **25 March 2021** – ISNSW Webinar – Subdivision Certification and the Low Rise Housing Diversity Code (LRHDC)
- **26 March 2021** – NSW CSA Easter Conference
- **29 March – 1 April 2021** – SSSI - Locate21
- **9 April 2021** – ACS Webinar – The Team Advantage
- **20 April** – SSSI Webinar – Mobile Laser Scanning
- **28 April 2021** – ACS Virtual Workshop – Patrick Lencioni “4 Pillars of High Performance Cultures”
- **5 May 2021** – ACS Virtual Workshop – Marcus Buckingham “The Future of Work”
- **14 May 2021** – ACS Webinar – Preparing for Succession
- **21 May 2021** – ISNSW Maths in Surveying Day
- **17 June 2021 – 18 June 2021** – ACS National Surveying Congress, Regional Victoria
- **18 June 2021** – ACS Webinar – Preparing for a New Financial Year

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Calling all qualified technical and graduate/registered surveyors and spatial information professionals

If you have:

- The Certificate IV in Training and Assessment (TAE40116) or capacity to complete this with the support of TAFE NSW
- A qualification in either; the Certificate III in Surveying and Spatial Information Services *or* Certificate IV in Spatial Information Services *or* Certificate IV in Surveying *or* Diploma of Spatial Information Services *or* Diploma of Surveying
- A minimum 5 years current relevant industrial experience, after completion of a Certificate III qualification/s

Join a dynamic training environment in Newcastle, Riverina, Ultimo or Wollongong. Email your resume and qualifications to Sam Ebert, Team Leader Infrastructure, Civil Mining and Surveying at Samuel.Ebert@tafensw.edu.au

Industry Reports

The following information may be of interest to members of our constituent organisations and the general public.

Association of Consulting Surveyors NSW & Consulting Surveyors National (ACS)

- 15 graduates from the ACS Business Academy graduated in 2020, with the next cohort having commenced.
- Consulting Surveyors National have completed their first National Hourly Rates Survey, released in February.
- ACS NSW have engaged a Policy Advisor, Penny Fischer.
- The 2021 Calendar of Events can be found here - <https://www.acsnsw.com.au/events/upcoming-events/>

Australian Institute of Mine Surveyors (AIMS)

- There have been a number of AIMS Board changes, with Shane Watson being voted in unopposed as the new AIMS President and Jonathan van Wyk has been voted in as the new AIMS Secretary.
- The 2021 Salary Survey and Member feedback is currently open for AIMS members.

Institution of Surveyors NSW (ISNSW)

- The ISNSW Annual Conference (previously Australia Day Seminar) was successfully held over 21/22 January 2021 in a virtual setting with over 500 registrants from around NSW attending.
- 2021 marks the 130th anniversary of the Institution of Surveyors NSW. An event is being planned later in the year to celebrate this important milestone.
- Cadastral Workshops for BOSSI candidates are underway and being held remotely.

NSW Surveying Taskforce

- A Diversity in Surveying event on Women in Surveying Day is being held on 8 March 2021, involving students and surveyors.
- First STEM sub-group meeting for 2021 held in February, with a new i-Stem curriculum in progress.

Surveying and Mapping Managers Forum (SMMF)

- Current SMMF representatives for SMIC are:
 - Venessa O'Connell (Port Authority of NSW)
 - Don Urquhart (City of Sydney)
 - Jarad Cannings (Public Works Advisory)
- The next meeting of the Surveying & Mapping Managers Forum will occur in March 2021.

Surveyor General (SG)

- DSC Spatial Services has a variety of Map Viewers available. For more information (including how to guides) please see information on our website about the Spatial Collaboration Portal <https://portal.spatial.nsw.gov.au/portal/apps/sites/#/home>
- SGD12 – Control Surveys & SCIMS has undergone a significant review and the NSW surveying industry is invited to provide comment on the proposed changes and associated documents. The draft documents are available for download on the Surveyor Generals Directions page of the DCS Spatial Services website. Please use the provided feedback template to summarise your feedback and submit it to Surveyor-General-Approvals@customerservice.nsw.gov.au by Monday 1 March 2021.
- GDA2020: Focus remains on providing additional Spatial Services delivery channels in GDA2020 (e.g. webservices, incremental feed, Spatial Collaboration Portal), and collaboration between agencies.
- Digital Survey Plans: Delivery Plan launched by Minister Dominello in November 2020. Available for download <https://www.registrargeneral.nsw.gov.au/news/timetable-to-digital-survey-plans-in-nsw-launched>
- Geographical Names Board (GNB): The NSW Place and Road Naming Proposal System Enhancement Project is now finished. This project has greatly improved the user experience by providing more intuitive functionality, spatial capability and streamlining of workflows for the GNB team.



Surveying Education Reports

University of New South Wales (UNSW)

- Term 1 commences on 15 February, with life returning to campus again! Lectures will remain online, but tutorials and field exercises are encouraged on campus with a 2 square metre rule enacted to limit numbers inside rooms.
- Survey camp has moved to Cataract Scout Park after 12 years at the NSW Sport and Recreation Centre at Berry. TAFE have previously held camps here and, with the assistance from Ian Pearson and Jane Hayward, are establishing some survey infrastructure that students can use.

University of Newcastle (UoN)

- Enrolments (to date) are looking positive with 52+ students enrolled in a first year surveying degree program, which includes 4 female students.
- Two students have commenced the Masters of Professional Engineering (Geospatial Engineering and Surveying).
- Three faculties have now been combined into one College – College of Engineering, Science and Environment. The Pro Vice Chancellor heading up the College is the previous Head of the Science Faculty.

University of Southern Queensland (USQ)

- The new Colombo Plan Mobility application by Dr Dev Paudyal was successful, with funding of \$100,000 over three years to facilitate ten students per annum to travel to Nepal to complete practical courses as part of their degree.
- The COVID plan for 2021 will be to continue to offer on-campus tutorials and practicals but no face-to-face lectures, with them all to be done online.
- Associate Professor Peter Gibbings has left USQ as part of a voluntary severance process. Peter was a long-time surveying lecturer who has been the Associate Dean for Learning and Teaching for the last five years.
- Glenn Campbell has stepped down as Discipline Leader for Spatial Sciences. Expressions of Interest have been called for a replacement, with Glenn to continue as Program Director for the Spatial Science programs for the foreseeable future.





How to Establish a Surveying & Spatial Information Services Traineeship in YOUR workplace

1. **Employer selects Australian Apprenticeship Centre (AAC)**
Contact Australian Business Apprenticeships Centre (ABAC)
Bree Milburn ABAC Account Manager 1300 652 236
bree.milburn@australianbusiness.com.au
2. **Recruitment process to select suitable candidate**
The traineeship must be established within 3 months of an employee starting employment with your company.
3. **Employer selects a Registered Training Organisation (RTO)**
Contact Australian Business Apprenticeship Centre or TAFE NSW
4. **AAC consultant assists employer to complete required paperwork**
5. **RTO in consultation with employer develops a Training Plan**
6. **Training Plan delivery commences**
7. **Apprenticeship Centre**
Tracks trainee progress
Actions payments to employer
8. **RTO and employer assess trainee as competent**
9. **Traineeship Completed**

Available Traineeships

- Cert III Surveying & Spatial Information Services
- Cert IV Surveying
- Cert IV Spatial Information Services
- Diploma Surveying
- Diploma Spatial Information Services

Surveying & Spatial Information Services Traineeship Numbers

Completions	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Cert IV in Spatial	0	13	1	0	6
Diploma in Spatial	0	0	0	0	1
Cert III in Surveying & Spatial	6	3	7	4	4
Cert IV in Surveying	1	2	1	4	1
Diploma in Surveying	0	0	1	0	0
Advanced Diploma in Surveying	0	1	0	1	0

If your company is looking to hire new staff, please investigate how a trainee may benefit your business.

SMIC Training Scholarship Program

SMIC in conjunction with TAFE NSW offer a scholarship program for potential part-time teachers in Surveying and Spatial Information who are studying towards their TAE40116 Certificate IV in Training & Assessment. This qualification is a pre-requisite for teaching at TAFE. The scholarships are to a value of up to one thousand five hundred dollars.

Eligibility Criteria

- a) Australian citizen or permanent resident of Australia
- b) Made an application for or is enrolled in TAE40116
- c) Haven't received the scholarship previously
- d) Hold a recognised surveying qualification

Selection Criteria

- a) Meet eligibility criteria
- b) Academic merit
- c) Reasons for undertaking TAE40116
- d) Demonstrated teaching ability and aptitude
- e) Career direction, aspirations and goals
- f) Teaching qualities
- g) Motivation and attitude

Applications for the next round close **Friday 12 March 2021**.

For further information and application forms please refer to the Education Options tab under Services on our website www.smicnsw.org.au or email us at smic@smicnsw.org.au



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