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168th General Meeting

The 168th General Meeting of the Surveying & Mapping Industry Council of NSW was held on Friday 7th of February 2020 at the DCS Spatial Services Office in the McKell Building, 2-24 Rawson Place, Sydney.

Upcoming Events

The following CPD and general interest events may be of interest to our readers. For more information, please see the CPD Events website at <https://cpdevents.com.au/> or contact the organisers.

- 26 February 2020 – Mining Legislation Examinations in Bathurst
- 27 February 2020 – BOSSI Meeting in Sydney
- 6 March 2020 – ISNSW North Coast Group Seminar in Grafton
- 11 March 2020 – ISNSW Hunter Manning Group Cadastral Seminar in Newcastle
- 13 March 2020 – ACS 3D City Modelling Webinar
- 16-19 March 2020 – BOSSI Assessment of Candidate Competency in Sydney
- 20 March 2020 – CSN Global Surveyors Day Lunch in Canberra
- 20 March 2020 – AIMS Mudgee Seminar
- 23 March 2020 – ACS Simon Sinek Live in Sydney
- 25 March 2020 – ACS Simon Sinek Live in Melbourne
- 23-25 March 2020 – APAS 2020 in Leura
- March 2020 – ACS Women in Surveying (details to come)
- 17 April 2020 – ACS Webinar – Succession for Business
- 4 May 2020 – Strata Laws conference in Sydney
- 15 May 2020 – ACS Seth Godin Live in Sydney
- 18 March 2020 – ACS Seth Godin Live in Melbourne
- 11-12 June 2020 – National Surveying Congress in Perth

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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

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Industry Reports

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

Association of Consulting Surveyors & Consulting Surveyors National

- In December, ACS NSW was pleased to celebrate their 50th Anniversary. First Chairman, John O'Keefe and third Chairman, Richard Lovegrove, were in attendance along with many others.
- The first cohort of 15 leaders in the ACS Business Academy met on the 10th of December for their first module in "Winning in Your Business". The next session will be held on the 21st of February and will cover "Marketing Your Business".
- The National Surveying Congress program for Perth on the 11th and 12th of June 2020 is complete and early bird registrations are now open. Find out more at www.surveyingcongress.com.au
- Following the bushfires, ACS have written to the Minister for Emergency Services and suggested they develop a panel of expert Registered Surveyors to provide advice on the rebuild required.
- Consulting Surveyors National has confirmed the Governor General as their Patron.

Association of Public Authority Surveyors

- The 2020 Annual conference will be held at the Fairmont Resort in Leura on 23-25 of March 2020, with 14.25 CPD points being offered, including 5 cadastral points.

Australian Institute of Mine Surveyors

- The AIMS Mudgee Seminar will be held on the 20th of March 2020, whilst the National Conference will be held on 19-21 August 2020 on the Gold Coast.
- The Singleton Seminar held on the 18th of November 2019, with both the candidate session and seminar well supported.
- AIMS has extended its support for the "A Life Without Limits" program into WA through the WAIS (Western Australian Institution of Surveyors).
- AIMS has collaborated with Glencore to create a gender diversity scholarship in 2020 called the "Glencore-Tim Underhill Gender Diversity Scholarship in Mine Surveying". Both Glencore and AIMS recognise the benefits of increasing representation and retention of women in non-traditional roles in the mining and resource sector.

Institution of Surveyors NSW

- The Australia Day Seminar was successfully held on the 23rd to 24th of January 2020 at Rydges World Square, Sydney.
- ISNSW is currently in the process of hiring a full time Membership & Communications Officer.
- The new ISNSW website and members portal will be live in February, with member access to be rolled out.

NSW Surveying Taskforce

- Several activities are in progress for the "Get Kids into Survey Direct Response Campaign", including posters, direct mail, email invitations, articles and online coverage.
- "Maths in Surveying in a Box" is the major project of the Taskforce for this year with a view to the product being suitable for national usage.
- An event schedule of eight career events across NSW has been approved and is in the process of being resourced with a focus on larger scale events rather than schools.

Surveying and Mapping Managers Forum

- Sydney Trains are currently focusing on recruitment and GDA2020 implementation.
- At the Department of Planning Industry and Environment – Crown Lands, it is proposing to inject a large amount of funding into the ALC unit to assist in reducing the number of land claims requiring assessment (currently 36,000 outstanding claims).
- In conjunction with their Maritime Spatial Information team, Transport for NSW are continuing to work towards transformation of our spatial database to GDA2020 by July this year. Since 1 January they have been receiving data in both 1994 and 2020 datums.
- The Port Authority of NSW are currently recruiting for two new positions (GIS Specialist and Trainee Surveyor).

Surveying and Spatial Sciences Institute

- The Surveying and Spatial Sciences Institute (SSSI) hosted a National Bushfire Recovery Map-a-thon in order to support Australia's bushfire preparedness, mitigation, and response and recovery efforts.
- The 1Spatial Smarter Data, Smarter World Conference will be held on the 1st of April 2020 at L'Aqua Darling Harbour.
- Brisbane will host the Locate Conference in 2020 at the Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre between 28-30 of April 2020.

Surveyor General

- Presentations will be conducted at the following events in early 2020: APAS 2020, Locate 2020, Transport for NSW GLADS and Country Surveyors NSW.
- The Geographical Names Board (GNB) launched the new NSW Place and Road Naming Proposal System on the 3rd of February 2020.
- Updates have been made to the following SG Directions: SGD2, SGD7, SGD10 and SGD11.
- Legislative changes to adopt GDA2020 in the Surveying and Spatial Information Act and Regulation have commenced from the 1st of January 2020.
- Transition to the cloud project is progressing for CORsnet-NSW, with testing coming up.
- The final report as part of the Digital Survey Plans review is complete and awaiting approval for release.
- Mine surveying project assessments were held on the 5th of February 2020 and the Mining legislation assessments are coming up on the 26th of February 2020.

Surveying Education Reports

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- Ultimo and Wollongong campuses are currently full, whilst advertising is continuing for teachers.
- Following committee review, both Evan Akar and Aaron Lidbury are the latest recipients of the SMIC Scholarship. They have both been issued with a \$1,500 Scholarship to complete their Certificate IV in Training & Assessment (TAE40116). Evan (left) and Aaron (right) are pictured below. See page 4 for more details on the scholarship.



University of New South Wales

- The IGNS2020 Conference was hosted at UNSW on 5th to 7th February 2020. This is the premier, technical GNSS Conference in the Australian region and attracts the GNSS system providers as well as broad range of engineers, companies, government etc.
- There are 15 new graduates, nine have the surveying degree, and two have the geospatial degree and four have the civil+ surveying degree.
- The annual third year Survey camp at Berry is on 2-6 March with industry visitors welcome.

University of Newcastle

- There have been 47 new students enroll into a Bachelor of Surveying degree.
- The 2020 final year cohort due to graduate at the end of 2020 is a smaller cohort than usual, being approximately 20 students, with a further 4-5 expected to graduate from the program mid-year.
- Long term employee Eric Kniest (Professional Officer) has taken six months long service leave, with his position being temporarily filled by a retired Land surveyor (Ron Murtagh). This is an important position within the Surveying Group, filling the role of Survey Store Manager, and supporting student field work classes, and research activities.

Global Surveyors Day

You are invited to celebrate Global Surveyors Day with a lunch on Friday 20th March 2020 at The Hyatt, Canberra. We have the privilege of celebrating with His Excellency General the Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (Rtd) and Her Excellency, Mrs Linda Hurley. As the Patron of Consulting Surveyors National, we are pleased to have the Governor General and Mrs Hurley joining us to speak about the importance of surveying in Australia.

Other invited guests include:

- Anna Paterak, NSW Young Professional Surveyor of the Year
- Michael Hatton, Encouraging Aboriginal young people to choose surveying
- Narelle Underwood, Getting Kids into Survey

Seats are limited so please register [here](#) today:



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

Commencements	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019 (as at 31 st Dec)
Cert III in Surveying & Spatial	4	8	12	11	10
Cert IV in Surveying	2	3	2	6	1
Cert IV in Spatial	8	6	1	7	3
Diploma in Spatial	0	1	0	1	1
Diploma in Surveying	0	0	0	0	2
Total:	14	18	15	25	17

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 TAE40110 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 dollars.

Eligibility Criteria

- a) Australian citizen or permanent resident of Australia
- b) Made an application for or is enrolled in TAE40110
- 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 TAE40110
- 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 13 March 2020**.

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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