



Tena Koutou katoa, Meri Kirihimete me te tau hou

Greetings to you all and a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

On behalf of the BOP NZISM committee I would like to wish you all an incredibly happy, joyful and Covid free Christmas.

Well, what a year we have all had. As Health and Safety professionals we have had to navigate our way through the Covid Pandemic and give advice to our firms on how to keep our workplaces safe from a virus. Who would have thought two years ago this was going to happen as part of our job.

I'm sure that all our members are ready for the Christmas break, with time to reflect and refresh ourselves for another year. It's also a time to catch up with family who may have been locked down in Auckland.

Next, a very warm welcome to our new members: -

Tasha Lastinger – Department of Conservation

Simon Carkeek – PracMed NZ

Sheryl Todd – Williams & Wilshier Transport

Johnathan Patchell

Grant Farmer – Ventia Ltd

Things that have happened

Vertical Horizonz

On Oct 20th, the branch was hosted by Vertical Horizonz in their new facility at Tauriko. Members got an overview of which courses were on offer along with a tour of the training facility. A few members, under careful supervision also tried their hand at operating some of the course machinery. The formal part of the evening was followed by an informal barbecue and pizza and some good networking was had amongst our members





Derek Toner

Nov 3rd saw us back at the Mount Ocean Sports Club to listen to Derek Toner talk about the “Fun Police”. This talk was well received by the members and was presented well. This was followed by fish and chips to round off the meeting.



Christmas Function

Nov 24 saw us at the Barrell Room for our Christmas function. This get together had a small turnout so most members managed to get a spot prize. Sorry at the late notice regarding this event but I was sitting on the fence around the branch’s exposure to Covid.





Things about to happen: -

The Committee will meet early in the New Year to put a plan together along with a Budget for the upcoming year. Our first function for the year will be held near the end of February and details will be sent out at the end of January and posted on the NZISM website.

I would ask that if any members feel they have an interesting workplace we could visit, or they would like to talk at one of our meetings on a relevant subject, please feel free to contact me or any committee member to discuss.

Have a good Christmas break and catch you all in the New Year

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