



This year has seen the BOP Branch getting back to normal after last year's Covid disruption that the branch, BOP, NZ, and the World went through. As a committee the BOP branch have persevered through these times and have made sure our members have stayed connected through networking events

Professional Development presentations over the last year have been.

- Technology is Safety Management – Hosted by Vertical Horizon & Complypro
- Health & Safety Roadshow with Selena Armstrong
- Occupational Health Hazards presented by Chris Harris
- Taking the ambiguity out of Safety Culture presented by Melinda Davidson
- Site Visit to Waiari Water Treatment Plant hosted by
- Virtual Reality Fire training present by Glen Ayo

I know from personal experience that no matter who is talking or what the subject matter is, I always walk away with a little more knowledge than I had before I arrived.

During this time, we also had a very successful Christmas function with a good strong turnout from members. Thanks to Keith Barnett for organizing this event.

The committee has also put in place monthly coffee catch ups which have been organized to be in 4 locations around Tauranga to give every member a chance to come along. We have one tomorrow morning.

Our membership is in good heart with 154 active members (143 last year which is up from 126 the year before. We peaked at 180 members during the year. At this stage 45% (Up from 42% last year) of our membership has a grading and I hope that most ungraded members are working towards a personal goal of getting graded. The purpose of the NZISM organization is to develop the professional skills of its members.

Once again, I would like to thank our committee who have worked and met during the year to bring engaging speakers. Thank you: Keith Barnett, John Pascoe, Melinda Davidson, Deborah Cameron, Darach Cassidy, Shirly Baker and our committee interns Brad Harris, Brogan Harvey, and Helen Bishell. What a talented team always keen to help out.

A big round of thanks goes to Deborah Cameron and Darach Cassidy who are stepping down from the committee this year after some years of being involved both as committee members, but also as Branch Managers.

Deborah Cameron though will continue in her position at a national level as a Branch Managers Representative

I would also like to thank the NZISM head Office Team for the help and direction throughout the year, especially Sara Dearsly & Tanya Bater who with their help have made my position easier.



Once again, the BOP Branch would like to thank Shirley Baker for facilitating the use of the Mount Ocean Sports Club and Keith Barnett for organizing the use of the classrooms at Vertical Horizontz.

This is my last year at the helm of the Bay of Plenty Branch, and I have enjoyed meeting and talking to the wide range of members we have throughout the BOP. Please remember the this is your branch so let the committee know what speakers and presentations you would like to help in your continuing professional development.

Thank you all for your help, encouragement, and feedback over the past two years.

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