

Canterbury Newsletter April 2022

BRANCH COMMITTEE UPDATE



Friday 27 May 2022 – Canterbury Branch AGM
Venue – TAIT Communications, 245 Woodridge Rd, Harewood, Christchurch 8053
Time 7am – 8:30am
7.00am – 7.30 am – Registration & Light refreshments
7.30am – 8.30 am – AGM (Max capacity 60ppl)

For those who cannot attend in person there will be an option to **Zoom** in (link will be forwarded once you have registered).

AGM Agenda

1. Opening Remarks & Welcome
2. Apologies
3. Minutes of previous Branch AGM
4. Matters arising from the Minutes
5. Branch Managers Report
6. Election of Branch Committee
7. General Business

NZISM Canterbury Committee members who are standing down:

- Claire Johnson (Branch Manager) due to her increased workload she has had to step down as BM at short notice but will continue to support as a general member.
- Helen Bairds (Branch Secretary)
- Steph Hembury (General Member)
- John Woodrow (General Member)
- Kate Brooks (North Canterbury Network Support)
- Duncan Bryant (New Member Support)

NZISM Canterbury Committee members who are up for re-election and will be reapplying for their current positions:

- Whitney Tahau (Tech Support & North Canterbury Network Support)
- Jennifer Woods (South Canterbury Network Support)

NZISM Canterbury Committee members who are not up for re-election:

- Andrew Kenny – nomination for Branch Manager
- Steffan St Clair Newman – (General Member)

We will also be giving away a free ticket to our CPD Day to one lucky attendee!!

If you are unable to attend the AGM, please send apologies to canterbury@nzism.org



A few words from some of our committee members who are standing down.....

Steph Hembury

Well this definitely is the end of a chapter for me, as I have been part of the committee pretty much since I arrived in New Zealand. In that time I have seen members come and go, all leaving their own legacy to enable the committee to develop and grow into what it is today.

Before I leave, I would like to give a shout out to the whole committee as they volunteer their time freely and to Claire Johnson, the current Branch Manager, as she is like a whirlwind of activity and has been a breath of fresh air with her leadership and event organisation.

Although I will miss being a part of the committee, including writing the monthly newsletters, I feel it is now time for me to stand down and provide an opportunity for other members to add their special skill set to the team, supporting its continued growth. I will now look forward to seeing how the committee develops in the future and what exciting events it continues to bring us.

Helen Baird

Naku te rourou, nau te rourou ka ora ai te iwi (With your basket and my basket the people will live).

I want to take this opportunity to thank the hard-working committee. Over these last few years as HSW professionals we have all been forced out of our comfort zones and into the unknown. It has been a privilege to leverage the ideas and learnings from such a wide range of industries to provide robust advice and guidance to my own workplaces. While life is always busy with demands on both our professional and personal lives, I have found volunteering on the committee has provided not just access to information sharing but emotional and wellbeing support from an amazing group of likeminded professionals.

The activities and speakers organised by the committee would not be possible without a pool of people willing to give their time and share their knowledge for the collective good. It is always good to have new voices on the committee to ensure the branch keeps current and relevant for our membership.

Kate Brooks

I have thoroughly enjoyed my time as a committee member with the Canterbury branch. The committee is made up of volunteers who give their time freely to support the branch. It has been great that the members have varied backgrounds and interests which has helped to identify some great guest speakers and interesting topics over the years. It is really important to have that diversity in the group so we can ensure our members are up skilled in a whole range of topics. I'd really recommend the experience of volunteering on the committee, the team are really enthusiastic and have some great ideas to share.

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John Woodrow

I was first introduced to Canterbury NZISM in 2010, when another member (a fellow H&S Inspector) took me along to a 'Breakfast Meeting' in Manchester Street. Wasn't sure what to expect, so I kept my head down and just watched proceedings. And I was happy with that for the next 8 years. When the idea of a North Canterbury group was mooted, I was very much in favour, but the group required someone to be on the committee. "I'll nominate you" offered Steph "it's easy". Well, that probably underbakes it a bit, but being on the committee is also stimulating, educational and enlightening. 4 years on for me, and it's time for new blood. Highly recommended.

MEMEBRS SPOTLIGHT

Congratulations to those Canterbury based members who progressed through the accreditation programme in March



• Sabrina Goodall



• Richard Giddings
• Daniel Reinke
• Bryce Gousmett



• Jane Fowles

Safeguard Conference winners



The winners of our 'champions draw' to win three free tickets to this year's Safeguard National Health & Safety Conference in June were:

- * Cathie Connew (Canterbury) – Yoo Hoo 🥳
- * Sarah Graham (Hawkes Bay)
- * Rebecca Webster (Otago)

Congratulations to you all!

SAVE THE DATE

2022 Canterbury NZISM And NZOHNA Conference 15th & 16th September.



We would like to welcome all our new members who should have received a welcoming letter from the committee. If you have recently joined but have not received any communication, please let us know by emailing canterbury@nzism.org

Member Bio

If you would like to showcase in our next newsletter, then please send us your photograph and a short bio by 5th of the month to canterbury@nzism.org

Please include the following in your bio:

- What does your job involve?
- Why did you choose to work in this field?
- What do you like about it?
- What are the challenging bits?
- Who inspires you and why?
- Something you won't find on my LinkedIn profile is...
- What was the BEST thing about your 2021?
- If you could be anywhere in the world right now it would be...
- What do you do on a typical Sunday?
- What do you like to do in your spare time?

And just in case you haven't done already

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