

Canterbury Newsletter July 2022

BRANCH COMMITTEE UPDATE

Our committee has had a wee shuffle of reps these last couple of months, which has also caused a pause in newsletters whilst tasks are handed over. Sorry if you've missed hearing from us!

We have a new Branch Manager and if you want to make any enquires about your local NZISM then email at canterbury@nzism.org

Branch Committee:

- Andrew Kenny (Branch Manager)
- Whitney Tahau (Tech & North Canterbury Network Support)
- Jennifer Woods (South Canterbury Network Support)
- John Drower (South Canterbury Network Support)
- Angela Davies (Communications Support)
- Claire Johnson (New Member Support)
- Aaron Edwards (General Member)
- Kirk Blumers (General Member)
- Duncan Bryant (General Member)
- Steffan St Clair - Newman (General Member)



Branch Manager
Andrew Kenny

If you haven't already done so, make sure you find our Facebook Group and join. It's a great place for local networking, Q&A with your peers, idea sharing, and of course the odd H&S meme share. Connect with like minded individuals in your area, and we often share info about upcoming local events and offers.

MENTORING - What is Mentoring?

Mentoring is a learning partnership between an experienced professional person (mentor) and a member (mentee) for the purpose of sharing knowledge and information. Mentoring provides all persons with the opportunity for and access to professional growth and development

The Benefits of Mentoring - Why mentor or be mentored? Please see the NZISM website for further information

<https://www.nzism.org/mentoring/>

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please register for all events via NZISM website

<https://www.nzism.org/info/branch/canterbury/>



Sharing solutions for a stronger future





Health & Safety Conference

- Live or livestreaming
- Key notes: Minister Wood, Phil Parkes, Frank O'Connor
- Diverse, relevant speakers (streamed options)
- Trade show exhibition
- Dinner & Dance ("Kiwiana" theme)
- Discounted accommodation options

Thur 15 - Fri 16 Sept

The Hornby Club, 17 Carmen Road, Hornby, Christchurch

Sharing Solutions for a Stronger Future is a joint conference and CPD event. In fact, let's be honest, it's THE event to attend this year!

<https://www.nzism.org/sharing-solutions-for-a-stronger-future-1/>

Canterbury Branch and NZOHNA have put together an amazing two-day health and safety conference in Christchurch that anyone can attend, thanks to the live stream option.

To make it extra special this year, on the Thursday evening there will be a dinner and dance for some networking fun. To give us the extra giggles we need right now, there is an option for dress up with the theme of Kiwiana. Get creative and have a laugh or take it as serious as you want. Prizes will of course be on offer for best efforts.

Buffet dinner, drinks and a live band are included. There is also an option to buy a ticket for a partner for this fun part of the conference.

Don't miss out on fantastic speakers from near and far, a good chance to ask trades on display some in depth questions about their products, and mingle with new and old industry friends. Nowhere else could you get this much bang for your buck at an industry specialised conference!

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MEET A BRANCH COMMITTEE MEMBER

New committee member Aaron Edwards is originally from the UK, a spot near Manchester. He arrived in NZ nine years ago and hasn't looked back since. After a brief stay in Auckland he headed for Christchurch, joining in with the post-earthquake works. He got stuck in for a company that focused on demolition and construction (his background from the UK was construction, demolition and quarrying). After completing four years there, as their Operations Health and Safety Manager, he headed to join the Construction team at Ryman Healthcare as a Roaming H&S Advisor. The role with Ryman was based in Christchurch but involved supporting greater New Zealand and Victoria (Australia). After 12 months he was made a Senior H&S Advisor and then in November 2019, just before the pandemic hit... he was promoted to Construction Health and Safety Manager. The last couple of years have been a challenge for Aaron, with COVID (much like us all) but he is stoked to have a great team and positive engagement with the wider team, "which is what health and safety is all about!"



A bit more from Aaron: Health and safety and leadership are more than just a job that you turn on and off at the end of the day, they are a way of life, because I believe we really do care about the people we work with and want them to go home safely at the end of every day.

Being from near Manchester, there is only one football team I could ever have

supported (they play in red and are not doing so well at the moment...). Outside of work, my partner and I love to take our 5-year-old Rottie for long walks and to the beach in our spare time, he loves the sea! I try to keep reasonably fit and healthy so visit the gym as often as possible. We also love to travel around New Zealand and visit the many beautiful and amazing places, from getting engaged in a hot air balloon in Queenstown and scuba diving in the Marlborough Sounds, to recently traveling the North Island in a campervan. There are so many wonderful things to do here, and the people are always friendly!

OHS GENERALIST CAREER PATHWAY PROJECT

NZISM, along with New Zealand Safety Council (NZSC), Health and Safety Association of NZ (HASANZ) and the Government Health and Safety Lead (GHSL) worked collaboratively to develop guidance material to support individuals, managers and recruiters to better understand the career pathway of the OHS Generalist profession.

These documents aim to:

- Address the current market confusion for the H&S Generalist profession;
- Provide an overview of what a H&S Generalist does, and what options are available along their career path;
- Clarify what "good looks like" across the different roles in the H&S Generalist Career Pathway; and
- Provide a reference for current and future H&S Generalists, hiring managers, and recruitment agents to understand what technical and supporting skills are required to succeed in the industry

If you haven't checked these out yet, then have a look here <https://www.nzism.org/ohs-generalist-career-pathway/>

NEWSLETTER CONTENT

Got anything you want us to share in the next newsletter? Please send through to canterbury@nzism.org and we'll see if we can make it happen (*no business advertisements*).

MEET BABY HUXLEY!

Jen Woods (our Timaru based Sth Cant. Network Support) recently had her wee bubba, Huxley. We asked, and she delivered, here is some cuteness to make you smile.



Congratulations to our Canterbury members who progressed to become an accredited Practitioner during June:

- Brittany Allnutt
- Alastair Sinclair
- Jaime Kelliher

