



New Zealand Institute of Safety Management

CANTERBURY BRANCH

Monthly Newsletter

NZISM Annual Report

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We would like to acknowledge and thank Greg Dearsley for his tireless service and leadership as his 4 year tenure as President of NZISM has ended and we wish him well on his new ventures.

We look forward to getting to know and working with Robyn Bennett who was welcomed into the Presidents role at the recent NZISM AGM.

UPCOMING WEBINARS

Wed 16 Sept 12pm: Wellington Branch Presentation

Legal update with Greg Cain (partner at Dentons Kensington Swan) will provide an update on recent enforceable undertakings and prosecutions

Tue 22 Sept 11:30am: Michael Hempseed - Understanding autism

Autism is a common yet misunderstood condition. Many people in the workplace have a mild form of autism which, if left unrecognised or unsupported, can have a significant impact on their wellbeing.

Tue 22 Sept 5:30pm: Auckland Branch presentation

Rob Powell on "Practical Management of Hazardous Substances. Rob will be exploring real-life best practice examples of how to manage Hazardous Substances whilst being compliant.

Thur 1 Oct 6:00pm:

Lone workers and remote working risks Presenter: Dr Joanne Crawford

Establishing a safe working environment for those people working remotely is no different from organising the safety of other workers. Dr Crawford will discuss findings relating to managing distributed workforces and what to consider when the demand to work from home increases.

UPCOMING EVENTS

TUE 15 SEPT 11:30AM: COVID-19 FROM THE FRONTLINE - PANEL DISCUSSION (VIA ZOOM)

Panelists: Jill Williamson (NZ Police), Karen Cameron (Mainpower), Tina Lange (Foodstuffs SI Ltd), Glen Johnson (Lyttelton Port Company)
Our essential service panelists will be discussing how their organisations managed during the pandemic, the sorts of challenges they faced, and key learnings they took away from the experience.

SAVE THE DATE

NZISM Canterbury Branch and NZOHNA

CPD Day: Friday 27 November 3pm at the Hornby Club

Registration fee: Members \$20, Non-Members \$50 (registration fee includes nibbles and a free beverage)

Speakers: Amanda Douglas (Wyn Williams), Jim McLeod (WorkSafe NZ) and Annette Beutrais (Suicidologist)

Can't make the date?

All webinars are recorded and remain available to members in the Resources section on the website

Due to the ongoing uncertainty caused by Covid-19 in the community we will not be conducting planned site visits until next year

My husband purchased a world map and then gave me a dart and said, "Throw this and wherever it lands—that's where I'm taking you when this pandemic ends." Turns out, we're spending two weeks behind the fridge.

Update your CPD: NZISM's new myCPD platform is up and running with all Skilsure records now transferred over into the new system. The new myCPD platform is provided to all members free of charge



MEET: DAVE BOIVIN NZISM CANTERBURY BRANCH COMMITTEE MEMBER

My trade background is in Telecommunications beginning my career with the NZPO a long time ago. The Telco business is very dynamic with ever improving technology, my time has seen the replacement of manual exchanges, the development of cellular networks from limited urban coverage to the extensive coverage today, from brick phones to smart phones. From copper lines to fibre into your homes. Within a safety world the telco industry could be classed as generalist, with technicians working in very varied environments: mountains by helicopter, to your home with barking dogs and the risk of drilling into a power cable. My experiences have touched on traffic management, heights, overhead power, underground power, confined spaces, restricted access, off road driving, truck loading, asbestos, notifiable works, heavy machinery, cranes, power tools, pneumatic tools, ladders, excavating, 3 waters and more. My roles within this industry have been to keep technicians safe from harm given the plethora of hazards out there. I am a great believer in communication with workers, keeping them advised of what they are doing well and steering them to correct anything not so well. It is about getting them home for themselves, to their families to be able to do the things they enjoy and thrive on. I am relatively new to NZISM but have already found the wealth of material in the library of webinars unbelievably valuable, worth your time to browse this resource.

THIS MONTHS GOOD READ - submitted by Glen Johnson

I came across a youtube video of a Ted Talk delivered by Amy Edmondson on psychological safety earlier this year which inspired me to search for more of her work. <https://youtu.be/LhoLuui9gX8>

This led me to her latest book the fearless organisation. The book which I actually downloaded as an audio book elaborates and brings together the concepts Amy covers in her Ted Talk and adds colour through stories and context to how to apply these theories.

These concepts relate mostly to team and groups. But can also be applied organisation wide without being fluffy or intangible.

Amy is a professor from Harvard and describes Psychological safety As “a shared belief that the team is safe for interpersonal risk taking” she bases her theory in the work of Edgar Schein.

The book starts with Amy’s story about how she stumbled on the concepts during a research project then covers the research and theory. This is followed by chapters covering stories linked to the theory in different ways through examples where psychological safety is lacking and where it is present. While I was already aware of some of these examples the lens Amy applies challenges you to see them from a different point of view. Amy then goes on to the how to implement these theories.

I enjoyed the audio book so much I had to buy the paper copy as well to go through and highlight the key concepts to share with my team.



SOUTH CANTERBURY NETWORK GROUP

The inaugural meeting took place this month with 10 members attending. Meetings will be held quarterly in the evenings and will be a mixture of speakers, social and site visits. We will keep you posted on upcoming dates.

Please remember your Canterbury Branch committee is working hard for you to continue providing quality speakers and events as part of your membership. There is also a lot of work that goes on in behind the scenes. Efforts put in are purely voluntary and it is vital the branch is supported.

If you have any questions, topics of interest or know of a speaker you feel would be of value to the members please email canterbury@nzism.org