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Chief Executive's report

Canterbury earthquake

In the aftermath of the Canterbury earthquake and on behalf of the Crane Association's membership we hope that effects on employees of members was kept to a minimum during this time.

The numbers of companies who made known to us cranage that they could make available had it been required was encouraging.

The Earthquake Commission has appointed Fletcher Construction as main contractors for domestic repairs. The Insurance Council, covering commercial property outside of the domain of the Earthquake Commission, says at \$1.5 billion, the Canterbury earthquake is the biggest insurance event in New Zealand's history. The Council says most of that cost will involve restoring commercial buildings. I am sure that there will be ongoing work for our members in the region when the rebuilding gets underway - especially those commercial buildings.

2011 Conference

The Association's conference next year is attracting sponsors and we thank those companies and are heartened by this early response. We appreciate the generous offers being made and recognise that many are still coming through the recession more slowly than anticipated. To date we have received pledges of

\$20,500 and this certainly helps keep the registration fees at a reasonable level. The programme is almost finalised and arrangements are all in place with Rydges Lakeland Resort in Queenstown for 6th, 7th & 8th July. As in the past



couple of years delegates will book their accommodation direct with the hotel using www.rydges.com/cwp/crane

Crane project of the year

A little while ago I sought the views of members on whether or not consideration should be given to having a Crane Project of the Year as well as a Crane Lift of the Year. A number of people have made their views known and council will be considering these at the next meeting on 23 November.

From the President

Like many Cantabrians, I have been involved in the scramble to take stock and recover after the September 4 earthquake. Many of you may know that I work for the Lyttelton Port of Christchurch. I was in Perth, Western Australia, attending the CICA annual conference when the earthquake happened and returned to assess damage to the port's infrastructure.

Since the event I haven't been able to devote as much time to Association business as I would have liked because of the workload. But I do thank councilors and members of the Association who have stepped up during this period to look after the affairs of the Association. It was fortunate that there was no loss of life at the time of the earthquake and although it will be very expensive over the next few years repairing the damage, the positive is the work that will be generated.

T Williams President

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2011 conference interest in sponsorship is generous and early, nearly 9 months out...

Membership increase

Since the last list of new members was published in February 2010 the following companies have joined the Association:

Full members:

Mules Construction Ltd, Auckland; Crane Co NZ Ltd, Whangarei; Hughes Construction Ltd, Auckland

Associate members:

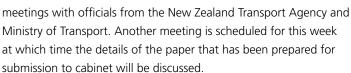
HTC Specialised Tooling Ltd, Auckland; Construction Safety Ltd, Timaru; The Machine Security Co Ltd, Auckland; Design Engineering Ltd, Timaru; Tadano Oceania Pty Ltd, Queensland; CreditWorks Data Solutions Ltd, Auckland; Snitch Inc, Auckland

The following companies have ceased to be members: Marriott Consulting Engineers Ltd, Auckland; Robt Stone & Co Ltd, Auckland; Buller Port Services Ltd, Westport.

Road User Charges

We consider that our industry is being unfairly treated under the Road User Charges laws
This has been a discussion point for some time. In particular we dispute the amount of charges being levied for the larger all terrain cranes.

A considerable amount of work has been put in (particularly by Ron Brown) and we have had

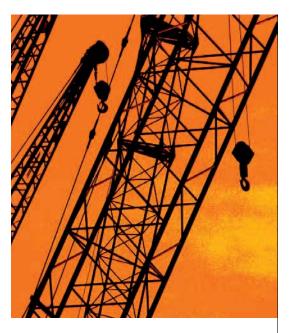


We anticipate that there will be further opportunity for discussions in the middle of next year before the matter is signed off by the Government.

This is a very complex area and is the first major review since the current act came into force back in the late 90's.



Raising the roof. Titan Cranes' Demag AC615 and Demag AC100 lifting a house at Hutt Hospital, Lower Hutt. (Photo credit: Steven Thomlinson)



CRANE ASSOCIATION MEETING/ DINNER IN TAURANGA

The Crane Association of New Zealand council will be meeting in Tauranga on 1 March 2011.

We would like to take the opportunity to invite Crane Association members and your staff to come along and discuss topical issues with council president Tristan Williams, council members and chief executive Ian Grooby on the evening prior to the meeting.

lan Grooby will introduce Tristan and councillors and there will be time for questions and discussion before an informal buffet dinner.

DETAILS

Time: Gather at 6.00pm

Introductions / Q&A 6.15pm

Dinner at 7.30pm

Date: Monday 28 February 2011

Place: The Sebel

Trinity Wharf Tauranga

Cost: \$60 + GST per person for buffet dinner

BOOKING AND PAYMENT

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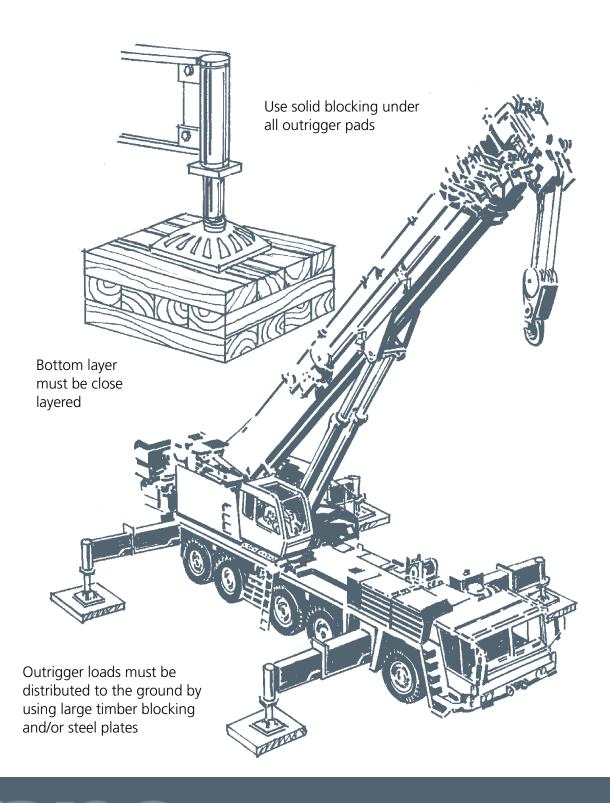
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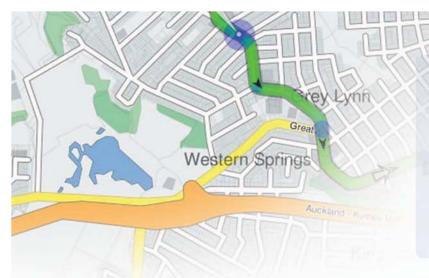
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