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News from the Crane Association of New Zealand

Crane Conference 2016

Registrations are now open for the 2016 Annual Crane Conference in Nelson.

Take the opportunity to attend this year's conference and network with your contemporaries, industry suppliers and crane manufactur-

ers. New members, this is your opportunity to learn about the Association and meet the people who influence the New Zealand crane industry.

Greg Ward returns as the Master of Ceremonies and this year we have a day-entry category that includes plenary and evening networking sessions as well as an award dinner entry only.

It's your chance to catch up on what new technology has been

introduced into the industry and to attend the speaking sessions that



- Phil Borkin ANZ Economist
- Shane Fraser Marsden Refinery Update and Decommissioning
- Hamish Scott Project Manager (Winds) Meridian Energy
- Matua Parkinson Keynote Speaker
- Pierre Vonk H&S Manager HEB Construction
- Manufacturers Panel Liebherr, Manitowoc, Tadano, and Terex
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From the President

Dear members.

Health and Safety is the topic of the day with the 4th of April launch of the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 and supporting regulations. We are watching the many changes to ensure members have all the tools required of crane owners and operators.

The high-quality resources created by Council and members will ensure your business (PCBU) is well equipped for the workplace.

For example:

- Crane Safety Manual
- Single and multiple crane lift plans
- Rigging plans
- Safety posters that include new risk management

These tools help to ensure your team is managing risk appropriately and has the latest information.

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There is no Lift of the Year at this conference.

If you are thinking of entering the Project of the Year, start gearing up for it.

If you have anyone on your team who has done something heroic or has contributed to the industry in an outstanding manner then consider nomination them for the Weighload Trophy.

Email ceo@cranes.org.nz with your nomination and explain why we should consider the recipient.

From the President contd.

You will also find the Conference Committee have focused this year's programme on health and safety. That's a critical step in this new world for owners: a world in which you may need to prove due diligence.

If you're not familiar with the due diligence requirement yet, it has some thorns, to put it mildly: what would my peers do in this situation, and when did you last keep up to date on your crane safety knowledge? I will, of course, point inspectors at this year's conference as my evidence for taking reasonable steps. I suggest you do the same while Worksafe finds its feet. For information on "due diligence" read:

www.business.govt.nz/worksafe/hswa/mythbusting/ officers#diligence

All the best,

Scott McLeod, Association President

New Members

We welcome the following new members:

- Connell Contractors Full Member (Full Cat A) Christchurch
- Ashton Crane Hire (Full Cat A) Auckland
- Oil Imports Ltd (Associate) Hastings
- Wiri Wholesale Timber Ltd (Full Cat A) Auckland
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- BVT Consulting (Associate) Christchurch
- Industry Skills Ltd t/a iskills (Associate) Tauranga



From the Council

Fighting Fund

Some members are asking why we have the fighting fund. We use it to lobby for changes in legislation, regulations and rules.

The Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 will change the PECPR 1999, the Approved Code of Practice and other laws that we will need to monitor closely.

A majority voted to establish the fund at the AGM. Voters included all categories of members except Life and Individual categories. We included an

Transport Authority. On an example permit for a crane, under section 3.11, it showed that "... the RCS would see it as unusual to divert such a vehicle."

Position Papers

The Association is taking a stance on issues affecting the industry, and we have published the first of those position papers, about Telehandlers being used as cranes. See it on the website.

Technical Subcommittee

The Technical Subcommittee is working hard on issues that



explanation of the fund with the annual invoices.

Deviation from Route

There has been some noise about extending the number of kilometres that a heavy vehicle can be deviated to for weighing. The Association has fought this, with support from the Auckland

include:

- **VDAM**
- Permit Manual
- Axle Loading

Education and Training Subcommittee

The Education and Training

Subcommittee has focused on the Targeted Review of Qualifications (TRoQ).

There is a move away from Unit Standards as being the method of teaching and so NZQA has moved toward a Graduate Profile that shows the expected outcomes for the programme. This is much more flexible but we will have to define the profile to ensure that the qualification is robust.

Some other areas that are under consideration by the subcommittee are:

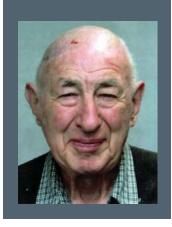
- Issues of engagement
- Added value qualifications
- Casual credits
 - Processing time
 - Service level agreements
 - Using Limited Credit Programme (LCP) instead of casual credits
- Assessor Forum
 - Forum to be conducted the by the first quarter of 2016
 - Association to attend
- Leadership Forum

Passing of **Basil Jordan**

It is with regret that we announce the passing of Basil Jordan, a former President of the Power Crane Association from 1988-1990.

Basil was a foundation member of the Power Crane Association under Welders and Engineers Hastings Ltd and until recently owned Hawkes Bay Crane Hire Ltd.

A service was held at Hastings on Monday the 14th March to remember Basil.







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Worker Engagement and Participation

Understanding Your Duties

Under the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 (HSWA), businesses have obligations and responsibilities to keep their employees healthy and safe at work. The Act also requires everyone to work together to improve health and safety.

Under HSWA, businesses have two related duties to engage with workers so they may participate in improving health and safety.

- 1. Ensure that worker's views on health and safety are matters are asked for and taken into account, and
- 2. Have clear, effective, and on-going ways for workers to suggest improvements or raise concerns on a day-to-day basis.

Engagement

When employees engage in work health and safety, everyone benefits. Your business is a healthier and safer place for everyone, and performance and productivity increase.

HSWA sets out the main steps in the health and safety engagement process but, in short, you must:

- **Share information** on matters relating to health and safety (including specific issues you need to engage with workers on),
- Give your workers time to consider the issues,
- Give your workers a reasonable opportunity to:
 - Express their views and raise work health or safety concerns, and
 - Contribute to the decision-making process,
- Take into account the views of your workers, and
- Advise your workers of the outcomes in a timely way.

All businesses should regularly engage with their workers.

The law also makes it clear when you must engage with workers.

When is engagement required?

You need to engage and consult with workers who are directly affected by a matter relating to health and safety.

This includes when:

- Hazards are identified and assessed,
- Making decisions about:
 - Addressing risks
 - The adequacy of staff welfare facilities
 - Monitoring worker health and work conditions
 - ° Providing information and training to workers
 - Procedures for resolving work health or safety issues,
- Determining work groups, and
- Proposing changes which may affect the health and safety of workers.



You must also engage with your workers when developing ways for workers to participate in improving work health or safety on a day to day basis.

Participation

All businesses should have planned, well-known ways to support their employees' participation in workplace health and safety on a day-to-day basis.

For example, by being able to make suggestions or speak up about concerns.

Employee participation in health and safety can be done in some ways, it all depends on what works best for your business and the employees. Things are likely to work better if you have a mix of formal and informal ways for workers to contribute.

A well-established way to support worker participation is by electing Health and Safety Representatives (HSRs), or setting up a Health and Safety Committee (HSC).

The Act sets out how an HSR or HSC will work. You can view more detail at:

www.business.govt.nz/worksafe/hswa/working-together/business/business#understanding



ACC Residual Levies to end April 2016



The ACC Minister has signalled that the residual levies will be stopped from 1 April 2016.

ACC charges the residual levies on the Work, Earners, and Motor Vehicle accounts and these levies cover all claims pre-dating 1999.

The residual levies on average make up a third of your current employers ACC bill, so the impact on paper should be quite impressive.

Unfortunately it is not quite so straight forward or lucrative.

The ACC Minister has been very deliberate in using the words "redistributive effect", which means that when the residual levy stops, the existing levies will be recalculated and the savings will not be just a case of removing your residual component. Instead, and as quoted by the Minister, 47% of all businesses will actually receive an increase in their ACC levies as a result of stopping the residual levies.

ACC will be re-calculating the claims data for all levy codes which would mean a fairer and more accurate allocation of cost to those industries that have a lower accident history versus those that have a lot of accidents. Unfortunately this also means that if your industry is notorious for accidents and claims, you will pay for it.

Experience rating, which is the penalty / discount a business, can get, depending on its claims activity, is only ever applied to the work levy

not the residual levy. So by removing the residual levy which would in-turn increase your work levy, the impact of experience rating will also increase. This is great if you have a discount already, but it will end up costing you more if you have a penalty.

One bit of good news is that if your business is currently in one of the two ACC discount schemes, such as the Workplace Safety Discounts or the Workplace Safety Management Practices then this discount will also increase proportionally.

Parliament has passed the Accident Compensation Act (Financial Responsibility and Transparency) Amendment Bill which supports the Minister's recommendation to stop the residual levy from 1 April 2016.

The ACC Minister has indicated that the ACC Board has recommended reducing the work account levy further next year in line with stopping the Residual Levy. This has been done in part to reduce the number of companies that will end up paying more i.e. instead of 47% of businesses getting an increase, it is anticipated only 25% of businesses will get an increase.

What does this mean for the Crane Operators?

Levy Code	Description	Year	Work Levy	H & S Levy	Residual Levy	Total
42240	Steel Erection (covers tower crane assembly)	2015 / 16	\$2.44	\$0.08	\$0.63	\$3.15
		2015 / 17	\$3.00	\$0.08	-	\$3.08
42101	Hire of Construction Machinery & Cranes with operator	2015 / 16	\$1.98	\$0.08	\$0.52	\$2.58
		2015 / 17	\$2.48	\$0.08	-	\$2.56

As you can see by the table above, crane operators are only marginally better off with the Residual Levy being removed. The Work Levy is actually increasing by an average of 24%.

Where to from here?

- None of this has been signed off yet as the Minister will most likely do this in the New Year.
- From 1 30 October 2015 ACC undertook a public consultation into what should happen with next year's levies, for which the Crane Association has lodged a submission. Should you wish for a copy of this submission please email martin@managecompany.co.nz
- In a separate work programme we will be asking ACC to provide evidence why crane operators are in essence receiving a 24% increase in their work levy. We wish to understand the justification of this increase to determine whether it is fair and equitable.

About Manage Company

Martin Wouters is the Managing Director of Manage Company which is a risk management firm specialising in ACC.

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From the Archives

The following articles have been selected from Crane Dispatches January 2005 and reading them, it seems that not much has changed in the last ten years.

Certification of Operators

This matter is still under discussion and rests with OSH. It is interesting to note that the accident that caused the "panic" to certify operators occurred in July 2001 but the issue of certification has still

Code of Practice for Cranes

Following extensive discussions over a two-year period the amendments to the Code are in the final consultation phase, and it is hoped will be signed by the Minister in the next month or so.

Weighing tolerances

There have been some discussions about this matter over the past two or three months, and we anticipate that any problems will be resolved shortly.

Overweight permit manuals

The following note has been received from Lynn Sleath at Transit New Zealand and we ask that you note the contents: "Lynn Sleath from Transit New Zealand would like to advise members that Transit has recently issued the following: Overweight Permit Manual Amendment No 10; Overdimension Vehicle Route Maps Amendment No 1. Transit also expects to issue Overweight Permit Route Maps Version 2 (a completely new manual and ring binder) before Christmas.

Since Transit has only recently moved the databases of some 900 manual holders from Standards NZ to a new outsourcing agent, Lynn would really like to have an assurance that all holders of manuals have received the updates. Anyone that holds one of these manuals and has NOT received an update should contact Lynn Sleath at Transit New Zealand, Email lynn.sleath@transit.govt.nz clearly stating which manual and their current mailing address. And anyone that doesn't hold a manual but would like to purchase one can do so via Transit's website http://www.transit.govt.nz/technical_information/index.jsp where they will find a form that can be emailed back to Transit. Lynn

Land Transport New Zealand replaces ITSA

From 1 December 2004 a new agency (Land Transport New Zealand) came into being. Therefore, from that date the Land Transport Safety Authority ceased to exist. From an operational point, we do not envisage any major changes and we look forward to continuing to working closely with them on matters that affect the crane industry.



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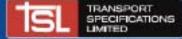
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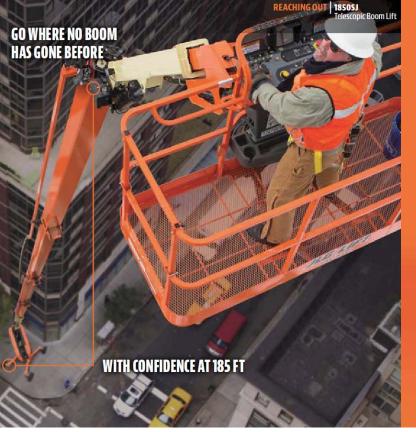
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The telescopic jib can also extend and retract to deliver an up-andover capability and telescope into structures with precision and agility, making it invaluable where workers need to be repositioned at height - without the need to reposition the machine.

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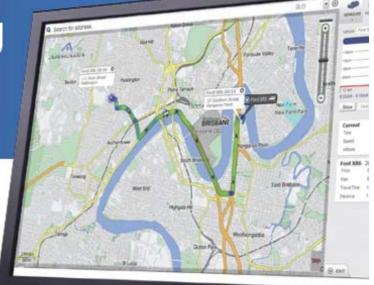
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