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What an unusual time we have all had over the past two months. And what a relief to get down to Alert Level 2 and a little more normality.

I am hoping that you have endured the lockdown down period without too much pain.

Now that we are coming out the other side, if you have got any stressful difficulties, I suggest that you get in touch with other members.

Or even contact the Association to see if there is anything that we can do to help – whether that be some form of mentoring or assistance.

Because that is the point of being a CANZ member, we help one another where and when we can.

One of the important things, as we continue to navigate what will be a long-lasting and rocky road to recovery, is retaining our skills.

If members could work together to ensure that if they have to make some staff redundant, that some consideration be given to employing in other areas of the industry.

On the business as usual front, the Association's office hours will remain short. So, Sally is working Tuesdays and Thursdays, while Robyn is working just 15 hours a week, three hours a day.

So, we appreciate your continued patience if you need support, both Sally and Robyn will return emails and calls when they can.

Also, a really big thanks to Robyn who is prepared to come in everyday, to dispatch shop goods and clear the emails.

We are starting to ramp up our recruitment process to replace Sally. But what is just as important is our special general meeting, due to our inability to hold an AGM.

We will provide you with a supporting document for the items to be voted on – via post – but for peace of mind, the items include:

Items:

1. Deferring items other than approving the Annual Accounts and Annual Report until the 2021 Conference

2. Approval of Postal Voting
3. Approval of Crane Association of New Zealand Annual Accounts
4. Approval of Crane Association of New Zealand Annual Report
5. The rollover of the existing Council to the 2021 Annual General Meeting and Conference
6. Appointment of the Auditor

Remits:

1. Changes to the Rules to allow the Association to carry out its legal obligations under the Incorporated Societies Act
2. Changes to the Rules to enable meetings and voting to be carried out by electronic means

The Crane Association of New Zealand Special General Meeting documentation will be released on 1 July 2020 via email.

The Council has asked that you to take the time to consider and vote on the aforementioned motions, and send your voting form back to info@cranes.org.nz by 24 July 2020.

There is also an Online Associate Meeting planned for Tuesday 9 June 2020, 9.30am via Zoom.

Until next time, stay safe.

Tony Gibson

Crane Association of New Zealand President

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