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In this newsletter I am pleased to announce that Jo Buckner (formerly an EIANZ New Zealand Councillor) is back on the team. Jo will take over the role of Vice-President (New Zealand) which sits on the Australasian Executive. I have been doing dual roles for the past 12 months and happy that such an experienced person can take over. Jo is a Strategic Energy and Environmental Policy Advisor and Professional Director based in Wellington. I am sure you will hear more from Jo in the coming year.

It is almost time again for our AGM (to be held on 26 July). I would encourage you to participate in the AGM either by making a nomination or attending the AGM. There are a number of roles up for nomination so if you feel like you (or know of someone else) that

would like to join our hardworking team to promote excellence in environmental practice these please make a nomination.

I hope you enjoy the newsletter and look forward to introducing our next Executive Committee to you in the next one.



Jeska McNicol

President (New Zealand Chapter, EIANZ)

Certified Environmental Practitioner - Reminder

In the last newsletter we featured an article on the Certified Environmental Practitioner scheme and what it involves.

In this edition, Jeska McNicol discusses the Continuing Professional Development component of the scheme and how we can all keep our hours up for CEnvP.

Just a reminder folks, this intake closes September 21st. It's a good idea to send out reference requests now and keep your CV's up to date!

Benefiting from continuing professional development (CPD) on a budget

by Jeska McNicol and Emma McConachy

Many environmental practitioners must complete a minimum number of CPD hours in order to meet the requirements of industry certification and registrations. The Certified Environmental Practitioner (CEnvP) scheme endorsed by EIANZ requires a minimum of 100 points over a two year period. Points are based on an hours' worth of CPD and one hour can range from 0.5 to 10 points depending on the CPD activity. To many Managers, this may seem like a lot of hours for their employee to spend on non-income generating activities. If we look at an environmental consultant with a \$180 per hour charge-out rate, 50 hours of CPD could amount to more than \$9,000 of lost revenue for the organisation. It is highly likely that there will be travel expenses if the employee is attending a course or conference and then there is the cost of the CPD itself (say \$3,000).

It doesn't take long for the costs to add up. While most organisations are aware of the benefits of CPD, even when mandatory, many find it difficult to justify this cost. This can leave the burden of finding and financing CPD on the employee.

Don't let the cost of CPD put you off seeking industry certification or registration and maintaining it. There are many CPD opportunities within a tight budget which are worth exploring. The table below shows how you could make up and exceed your 100 points and the estimated fees associated with it.

Jeska McNicol, MEIANZ CEnvP
Emma McConachy, MEIANZ
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PD activity	CPD points	Fees \$ excl. GST
In-house training using an external tutor on advanced excel (4 hours)	4 hrs x 2 pts =8 pts	\$100 (based on one tutor and 10 students)
Committee member for an environmental association, monthly meetings 1 hour long for two years.	24 hrs x 1 pt= 24pts	\$0 (quite often in lunch breaks or after work hours)
Publishing two articles in a refereed journal.	2 articles x 30 pts=60pts	\$0 (editing costs etc would be additional)
Three guest lectures at a local university.	3 lectures x 5 pts=15pts	\$20 (petrol and parking fees)
Private study of literature relevant to your field.	40 hrs x 0.5 pts=20pts	\$0 (assuming you can get the literature from a library or online)
	Total: 127 points	Total \$120

carboNZero Holdings wins Green Ribbon Award for helping New Zealand businesses reduce greenhouse gas emissions

New Zealand based company carboNZero Holdings, a leading provider of internationally accredited carbon footprint certifications was presented the 2012 Green Ribbon Award by New Zealand's Environment Minister Amy Adams at a ceremony hosted at Parliament on the 6th June. The 2012 Green Ribbon Awards honoured outstanding contributions in protecting New Zealand's environment. Out of twelve categories, carboNZero Holdings won the 'Reducing Our Greenhouse Gas Emissions' category. This award recognises those who have taken active steps in developing and implementing strategies, programmes, products or services which reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

carboNZero Holdings CEO Graham Carter said they are "dedicated to contributing to the country's drive in promoting and advocating all environmentally friendly initiatives. We are a very proud company today not only for ourselves but also for our customers who are actively participating in this national effort".

Among the other winners of the prestigious Green Ribbon Awards were CEMARSTM and carboNZero certified companies. CEMARS certified Villa Maria Estate (Auckland) received the 'Supreme' award and the 'Large Business Leadership' award, for organisations that employ more than 100 people and demonstrate an ongoing commitment to environmental best practices. carboNZero certified Yealands Estate Wines (Blenheim) received the award for the 'Green Economy' category which recognises businesses that use green technology and innovation to contribute to better economic

performance, add value to New Zealand's export industry, and enable businesses to move towards a low carbon economy.



L-R: Grant Robertson, Deputy Leader of Opposition (Labour Party)/MP Wellington Central; Graham Carter, CEO of carboNZero Holdings; Josephine Rudkin-Binks, NZ Sales Manager for carboNZero Holdings; Hon. Amy Adams, Minister for the Environment/MP Selwyn and Prof. Ann Smith, GM Technical for carboNZero Holdings and EIANZ member.

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Welcome to the new Wellington Branch Coordinator

by Jo Buckner – Wellington Branch Coordinator

I have been involved with EIANZ, and the Wellington Branch in particular, since 2005, and enjoyed being part of the support team for those who have done this role before me. I have also been involved in the National Executive and was New Zealand Councillor for a few years up to 2010.

Since coming to Wellington in 2002, it has been my privilege to work on a range of strategic policy issues: climate change, renewable energy, environmental impacts of transport and natural resource management in the primary sector.

A first career in service quality and supply chain management culminated in the role of Order Fulfilment Director for Fletcher Wood Panels. During that time I became the senior management team's environmental champion and a scholarship from Massey University let me pursue postgraduate studies in natural resource management – who

would have guessed that starting out as a truck driver would lead to that!



For the past three years I've been a non-executive director for an electricity lines company in my home province of Marlborough. I've also recently completed the *RMA: Making Good Decisions* course and hope to soon be a certified RMA decision-maker.

I am thrilled to have Stephen Fuller, Rob Owen and Belinda van Eyndoven and Leonie Waayer helping me on the Branch Committee. We are finalising a forward programme of events which will be on our web page very soon. Finally, I am also looking forward to working with Jeska and the rest of the NZ Executive after my nomination to the role of Vice President (NZ).

EIANZ AGM: Call for Nominations

Please mark the following key event in your calendar:

AGM of the NZ Chapter of EIANZ

Date: 26th July 2012

Time: 4:00pm-6.00pm

(4.00pm Guest Speaker Shelley McMurtrie/5.00pm AGM) refreshments to follow

Venue: MWH New Zealand, Hazeldean Business Park, Level 3, 6 Hazeldean Road, Christchurch

Wellington and Auckland members can join the AGM via videoconference- details will be sent out by Jo Buckner and Karen O'Donohue closer to the time.

Any member wishing to join via teleconference may do so using the following numbers:

- Telephone number: 0800 449 288
- Conference Code: 26152321#

We have a number of executive positions (two year term) that you may like to consider to be nominated for including:

- Vice-President (NZ Chapter)
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Student and Early Careers representative

These roles involve a commitment of 3-4 hours per month. For more details on the positions please contact newzealand@eianz.org

NZARES Conference – Call for papers



The New Zealand Agricultural and Resource Economics Society (NZARES) are calling for papers for their conference to be held on 30-31 August 2012 in Nelson – **1 July is the deadline for titles and abstracts**

- You will find the style guide at the following link
<http://www.nzares.org.nz/pdf/Styleguide.pdf>
- Please note the recommended length of papers is 10-12 pages.

The Conference will kick off with a series of potentially contrasting views on the dairy industry from three people with plenty of in depth knowledge and experience. There is a special session on natural capital and ecosystem services, with speakers focussing on soils. Following dinner, we will no doubt be entertained and challenged by Dr Nick Smith. On the second day, we will hear from the AARES President, Dr Mal Wegener with a focus on renewable energy.

For further details, refer to the programme here:

<http://www.nzares.org.nz/pdf/2012/NZARES%20Conference%202012%20Programme%20FINAL.pdf>

EIANZ Annual Conference 2012

Congratulations to those EIANZ NZ members who are presenting at the EIANZ Annual Conference 2012!

Registrations are now open and the Conference website is up and running. Check out the website [here](#) for information on the key note speakers, programme and field trips.

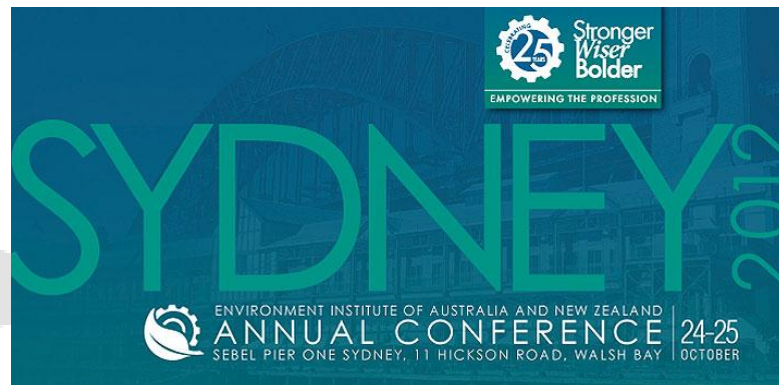
The Environment Institute of Australia and New Zealand celebrates its 25th year of operation in 2012. We invite you to help us celebrate the environment profession's achievements in that time. Come along, help us to reflect on what we have done well and why; what we could have done better and how; as well as, what we have left undone and need to action now.

But most importantly we invite you to help us build our skills and our profession to be...

Stronger – Developing the Profession – Powering Up!

Wiser - Reflections on lessons learnt, lessons applied – Get Smart!

Bolder – Promoting Environmental Advocacy and Action – Get Feisty!



New Members This Quarter

Welcome to the new members of the NZ EIANZ Chapter who have joined since March 2012.

David Greig
Hugh Leersnyder
Jens Zollhofer
David Robotham
Jay Whithead

Natasha Berkett
Stacey Swanson
Jessica Chalmers and
Diana Robertson

If you know of anyone who might like to join EIANZ, send them an email or invite them to one of the local events to give them a bit more information.

Call for Articles and Ideas

We will be putting out this newsletter quarterly and need interesting and informative articles every time!

Have you...

- Finished an interesting project?
- Attended a training course you found valuable?
- Have some photos that you just have to share?
- Got some ideas for other things you would like to see in this newsletter?

If so, we would love to add your two cents to the newsletter.

If you would like to share, please do send any suggestions, articles, photos to Justine Coup justine@morphum.com. We will send out reminder emails each time, but it's nice to have some lined up.

Have your details changed?

It is important for us to keep your details up to date. If you have recently moved house or job, changed your phone number or email address please let us know by sending an email to newzealand@eianz.org to ensure that your New Zealand details are up to date. We will ensure that Central Office is notified as well.

Key Institute and Chapter Information

NZ Chapter Executive Committee

President: [Jeska McNicol](#)
Vice President: [Sam Bridgman](#)
Councillor: [Dianne Buchan](#)
Secretary: [Heike Schiele](#)
Treasurer: [Ced Croft](#)

Committee Members:

Susan Harris
Leo Feitje
Craig Redmond
Karen O'Donohue

Regional Branch Coordinators

Auckland / Northern: [Karen O'Donohue](#)
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Bay of Plenty: [John McIntosh](#)
Wellington / Central: [Jo Buchan](#)
Canterbury: [Stephanie Brown](#)
Otago: *vacant*

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Membership Secretary: [Eric Scott](#)
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[Justine Coup](#)

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