

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

The Chapter's committee would like to wish all its members a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and wishes all the best for 2009.

The 2008 committee is made up from representatives across the industry with Richard Steel - Beca Infrastructure as Chairperson, Brendan Bisley - Maunsell as Treasurer and Janice Brass - NZTA, Tony Brennand - SKM, Bill Caradus - Fulton Hogan, Ewan Hunter - Opus International Consultants, Peter Mortimer - Downer EDI Works, Rob Napier - MWH NZ, Chris Olsen - Roading NZ, Chris Parkman - NZTA, Chris Scott - City Care, and Allan Tuck - Higgins.



Successful 2008 Roadshow

The 2008 Roadshow commenced in Auckland on 19 September and finished in Christchurch on 25 September. This year the chapter held its inaugural Young Presenter Competition at all five venues and was very well received with plenty of encouragement to continue running the competition on a yearly basis. The winners of \$500 each were Stanley Lee, Beca Infrastructure (Auckland) Paul Anderson, Opus International Consultants (Taupo), Tim Siau, NZTA (Palmerston North), Jeremy Waldin, Opus International Consultants (Christchurch) and Kelly Briggs, MWH NZ Ltd (Dunedin).

The feedback from the attendees for this year's roadshow has been very positive and it was commonly noted that the roadshow enables great networking opportunities and a great forum for the exchange of information and innovative ideas. Copies of this years and past presentations are available on the chapter's website at www.reaaa.co.nz

Dates set for 2009 ROADSHOW ** Mark your diaries ******

Auckland - Wednesday 12 August 2009

Taupo - Thursday 13 August 2009

Wellington - Friday 14 August 2009

Dunedin - Monday 17 August 2009

Christchurch - Tuesday 18 August 2009

The committee has decided to alternate between the Wanganui/Palmerston North region and the Wellington/Hutt Valley region as both seminars receive positive feedback—2009 is in the Wellington region.

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Would you like to contribute?

The committee would like to invite members to submit articles, photos or opinion pieces to be included in the chapter's quarterly newsletters.

Please send your articles, photos or opinions to lisa.pallister@reaaa.co.nz



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Through our website we have a great opportunity to provide members with a conduit to engineering information. Therefore the committee have committed to developing the website further by providing a searchable database of technical papers and presentations from initially New Zealand conferences.

This resource library will complement the conference calendar currently available. Once the conference has finished we will offer conference organisers the option to send us the papers and we will load them onto the website. Presentations from the 2007 and 2008 roadshows are currently available however it is not searchable on key words. We intend completing the database to coincide with the upload of the presentations from the next low volume road conference.

Our vision is to provide members with a searchable resource library to assist with research to deliver innovative road engineering projects.