

NZIDE Newsletter

December 2023

President's Welcome



Merry Christmas!

Hello and welcome to the December edition of the NZIDE newsletter.

Since our last newsletter, the Executive have been working on producing more member benefits, and have formed sub committees to work on the following: an auditing system; a complaints procedure; and conference planning. We are also working on professional development opportunities and Member only offers.

Your feedback is welcome, and you can contact me at president@nzide.org.nz

On behalf of the Executive Committee, we wish you all a very Merry Christmas, a happy new year and safe travels:-)

Carolyn Boardman

NSWDTA Conference - November 2023



Pictured: Christine Hillis, Carolyn Boardman and David Kennedy with a new Chery Amoda 3

In November I attended the NSWDTA Conference in Sydney. The conference featured speakers from Transport for NSW and local business owners that covered vehicle adaptions; bookkeeping; mental health first aid; and managing business risk. The main highlight for me was meeting Ben Felten. Ben is the fastest blind man on a motorcycle and he has set up a programme called Blind Speed. It is a programme run with NSWDTA instructors on a race track, giving blind people a go behind the wheel of a driving instructor's car (the instructor needs to take control as needed!) Check it out here! Ben is keen to bring his programme to New Zealand so watch this space:-)

There were four new cars on display to sit in or take a drive of – the new Chery Omoda, Kia Cerato and Kia Stonic, and the Mach E Mustang (electric).

Overall, I found the conference really interesting and a good balance of professional development, industry updates, and information on how to grow your business.

Carolyn Boardman

NZIDE Survey - Free Driver Licence Test Resits



We are currently surveying those involved in driver education on how they are affected by the driver licence test free resits. Driving Change Network are also currently surveying this topic and we will meet up in January to discuss the outcome of both surveys and plan a combined approach to the Government. To take the NZIDE survey, click here.

NZIDE website and member directory updated!

Over the past few months I have been improving the NZIDE website. You will find updated information throughout the site, and under the Member only tab the notes and presentation videos from the 2023 NZIDE Conference have been uploaded. The member directory also now includes more information and contact details. Check it out at https://www.nzide.org.nz/



Members - are your details up to date?



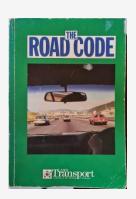
Have you renewed your driver licence or i endorsement? Have you moved address, changed phone number or email address? What classes or courses do you teach? Log in to your member profile at https://nzide.glueup.com/account/login to check and/or amend your details. It is really important your information is correct so that it pulls through to our online member directory. Thank you:-)

NZIDE Peer Support mentors wanted

Are you new to the driver education industry, or a sole trader, or ever had one of those days when you need a like minded person to talk to, to offload or brainstorm with about driver education? We are looking for NZIDE members to volunteer as peer support mentors for fellow members who need a hand or someone to talk to. If this is something you would like to do, please contact us at info@nzide.org.nz



NZIDE Document/Resources Library



The Executive are keen to start up a resources library of all things related to driver education e.g. books, DVDs, printed reports, etc for members to borrow. If you have some resources you would like to share with other members, please contact our Mid South rep Graeme Dalley at midsouth@nzide.org.nz

NZIDE Car Stickers

We have a supply of NZIDE vinyl stickers for your driving instruction vehicle. NZIDE members are entitled to 2 (two) stickers per vehicle. Sticker sizes available are 89mm or 150mm diameter. To order, contact Gemma NZIDE Secretary at info@nzide.org.nz



From VTNZ: Are you available as a part time DTO?



VTNZ have contacted us to ask if those with a current O endorsement would be interested in doing some part time work as a DTO. If you have a current O endorsement and are interested, please contact president@nzide.org.nz

NZIDE 49th National Conference 2024 - Save the Date!

Save the Date! Next year's NZIDE Conference will be held in **Christchurch** on **30-31 August 2024** at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Christchurch City.





