

This year's conference "Advancing Driver Education" was another successful event. We were fortunate to be joined by the Minister of Transport, Hon Michael Wood, who opened the conference.

The keynote presentation from Dr Soames Job via live Zoom chat Advancing Driver Education towards Road to Zero Goals — "Understanding the Role of Speeding and Speed in Serious Crash Trauma" was very enlightening and we were lucky to be joined by Colin Brodie and Fabian Marsh in person.

We were also very fortunate to be joined again this year by Dr Lisa Dorn from Cranfield University, UK – world leading consultant on driver behaviour discussing the new driver educator course *PsyDrive*.

At the conference dinner, Lifetime memberships to NZIDE were awarded to Wayne and Christine Young, and Paul and Barbara McPherson, to recognise the years of service they have given to NZIDE.

Liz McLellan was the recipient of the *Peers Choice Award*, for recognition of her support to driver educators in the Central region. Liz was nominated by members Theresa McCardle and Natalie Stephens, and the award was presented by our special guest David Kennedy, President of the New South Wales Driver Trainers Association (Australia). Well done Liz:-)

We had a number of members who got into in the Trades and Professions theme and Liz was also the recipient of the "Best Dressed" award as Morrie the Miner!

# Your 2022-23 Executive

At the AGM on 26 August 2022, the following members were nominated and elected unopposed:

PresidentPeter ElderVice PresidentCarolyn AxSecretaryGemma Scott-HallTreasurerJuliet Dalley

#### **Regional Delegates**

Northern Muneeb Chand
Midlands Graeme Hood
Central Liz McLellan
Upper South Sarah Bailey
Mid South Graeme Dalley
Lower South Gemma Scott-Hall

We welcome new regional delegates Graeme Hood, Sarah Bailey and Graeme Dalley, and farewell long standing regional delegate Kevin Bannan from the Upper South region.

Carolyn Ax has stood down as the Mid South delegate to concentrate solely on the Vice President role.

We thank Peter Sheppard for continuing as our honorary CEO and Brian Bagley as our Heavy Vehicle Specialist.











## **News and Updates**

#### What's happening in Driver Education in New Zealand

Waka Kotahi (NZTA) — you may have heard that Jim Furneaux has left the Agency, however we are lucky to have Jim on board as a new member of NZIDE. Welcome Jim.

In Jim's absence you can direct any queries to Sally Blondell or Jeff Roy from the Christchurch office.

**VTNZ** – James Law has left to pursue other career opportunities, and Rachael Jobson is the new Operations Support Manager, based in Wellington.

#### **NZIDE 2022 Conference Slides**

These are available for members to view by clicking <a href="here">here</a>.

#### **Australasian Road Safety Conference**

This is being held in Christchurch from 28-30 September. Carolyn Ax is attending on behalf of NZIDE and will report back next month.

#### Webinars with Wayne

Every Monday night from 7pm, Wayne hosts a webinar relating to topics from the LSFDI. To find out more, click here.

#### **Conference Location Survey**

As a result of a remit to the AGM, we are currently surveying members regarding preferred future conference locations. If you haven't already completed this, you can do so <a href="here">here</a>. It only takes about one minute and will help us with future conference planning. Thanks

Got something to say or share? What would you like to see in our monthly newsletter?

Let us know! We value your feedback :-)

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The masks are off!
As a result of the latest
Covid-19 update, face
masks are no longer
required to be worn by
instructors or students
or on a practical
driving test

#### This month's helpful resource:

https://mycardoeswhat.org/

Find out about new vehicle technologies, what they do and what they mean

#### **President's Update**

Three separate consultations are in progress with Government. Each connect with the NZ Drivers Licence Improvement Programme (DLIP) lead by Waka Kotahi. Other agencies include MSD, ACC, Police, Ministry of Transport, Te Puni Kōkiri and Ministry of Education. Member feedback will be asked soon. The programme brings together work on driver licensing across government.

Craig Basher, VTNZ National Technical Manager, and I talked how to use DI's and TO's. The concept is train and get the O endorsement through VTNZ. Commit 3 days a month to VTNZ for testing to cover planned staff leave. Get three weeks' notice of what days to work. We only just had the conversation. More as it develops. Separate from this, MSD has a pilot driver licencing programme "Fast Track". It uses *Community Testing Officers (CTO)* trained by Waka Kotahi. CTO's do not use VTNZ resources. Leesa Robinson is project lead.

Peter Elder

#### **CEO Update**

Conference planning with Government Agencies also provided an opportunity to discuss various aspects of the driver education environment. In particular, new vehicle technology, EVs and driver licence testing.

Interestingly, there has been some developments with the use of simulators both in the heavy and light vehicle area.

Following the conference, I have sent thank you emails to all speakers thanking them for their contribution.

Over the next few months where applicable, follow up action will take place e.g. Climate Change Commission, MITO and NZTA.

Peter Sheppard

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