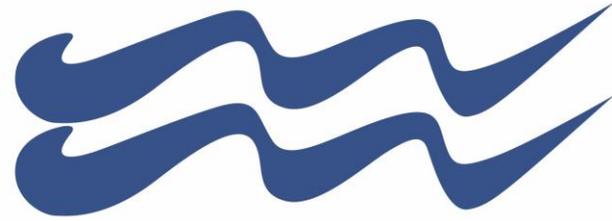


AHSCA



Association of Hydraulic Services Consultants Australia
QUEENSLAND CHAPTER INC.

PRESIDENTS REPORT 2017

Chris Tritton

Welcome to the 2017 Annual General Meeting of the AHSCA Queensland Chapter

Well, another year is coming to an end and I again get the opportunity to sit down and contemplate our achievements of the last 12 months.

I continue to find the role of President a rewarding experience. Without doubt, it does have its challenges, particularly when my paying job requires a high level of time and effort and this has certainly been the case for most of the year. With a great Committee and an amazing Secretariat behind me, I believe we have provided to our members a series of informative General Meetings with some excellent special guest speakers.

2017 HIGHLIGHTS

- Through the AHSCA Research Foundation, we have almost finalised the results into the design of roof drainage systems outside the deemed to satisfy requirements of AS 3500.3. Today, we had the first 25 members complete Module 1 of the Stormwater Training Course. Module 2 will be running in 2018.
- Our new Web Site is now up and running. It has a very professional look although still some work to be finalised.
- We continue to supply articles to the MPAQ Journal. Without doubt, this assists in increasing the profile of our Association.
- AHSCA has been invited to be a part of the Legionella Management Advisory Group. Subsequently, we have established our own sub-committee to report back to the LMAG. This is expanded on later in my Report.

2017 HIGHLIGHTS (cont.)

- We have been reviewing membership categories and criteria within our Rules and looking at establishing a new grade for Major Plumbing Contractors. This will be put to the members tonight to consider and vote on.
- We have redesigned the logo to maintain consistency throughout all Chapters as well as (most importantly) identifying the State on the logo.
- We are developing a professional AHSCA video that can be used at functions, such as the Plumbing and Gas Industry Awards.
- We held our biannual Trade Show. A successful event for both our sponsors and members. This year we included some short presentations.
- We continued to maintain a close liaison with Skillstech providing advice on Course developments. A graduation ceremony will be included in one of our 2018 meetings.

2017 HIGHLIGHTS (cont.)

- Again, we sponsored the AHSCA Hydraulic Consultant of the Year award at the MPAQ Awards night. Congratulations to Paul McKenna.
- We again sponsored the World Plumbing Day celebrations.
- We had a number of events organised with like-minded organisations to provide members with opportunities to pick up CPD points.
- Membership has increased to almost 200.
- Ken and myself represented the AHSCA on various meetings with the State Government and other similar organisations.
- Finally, we held a series of very successful bi-monthly meetings with the support of our sponsors as well as some excellent special guest speakers.

LEGIONELLA MANAGEMENT ADVISORY GROUP SUB-COMMITTEE

- We are now represented on the Legionella Management Advisory Group with the IPIQ, QBCC, MPAQ, BPAA and Queensland Health. The LMAG look at all facets of legionella control. Barry Hage represents us on this Group and to assist Barry we have established an internal sub-committee to look specifically at the design of plumbing systems. The goal of this sub-committee is to come up with recommended design guidelines for various types of buildings and facilities. The Committee is made up of:

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| • Barry Hage | Warren Keep | Grizzly Blair | Colin Wheat |
| • Greg Beavis | Anthony Freeman | Ken Crase | Justin Sweet |
| • Nathan Morgan | Phil Turner | Tony Samorowski | Stuart Lloyd |
| • Dave Dickson | Karl Paton | Stephen O’Keefe | Chris Tritton |

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

This year the Committee would like to recommend Life Membership to the following members:

- Alex Semple
- Keith Lees

This is in recognition of their service to this Chapter. Without the effort of Alex, Keith and our other Life Members, the AHSCA in Queensland would not be where it is today.

LONG MEMBERSHIP RECOGNITION

This year we only have two members reaching membership milestones. They are:

- Peter Brereton
- Peter Downey

Both of these members have reached 20 years membership. Congratulations to both of them.

If they are here, I would like to present their plaques to them.

MEETING SPONSORS

As I say at every meeting, without the generosity of our Affiliates, it would be difficult to run this Association and maintain the profile that it has managed to reach in this industry. A number of our Affiliates went that little bit further and sponsored our meetings during the year.

Those Affiliates were:

Conex Banninger

Fast Flow Systems

Kembla

Kingspan Environmental

Stiebel Eltron

Emerson

All Valve Industries

Smart Building Services

Halgan

Hydro Construction Products

Zip

I would like to present those Affiliates with a plaque as a small token of our appreciation.

CHALLENGES FOR 2018

It would be nice to finish the year and say everything is done and the new committee can sit back and relax for the next 12 months. There are still many issues yet to be started or finalised. Some of these are:

- Working with the BPEQ to stop unqualified engineers acting as hydraulic consultants.
- Getting the QBCC to remove the \$1,100 rule.
- Working with the water utilities to stream line processes that we are all trying to deal with.
- AHSCA Research Foundation – what next.
- Finalising design guidelines for the control of legionella in water services.
- Continuing our association with the MPAQ in regard to articles in their Journal as well as our involvement in the 2018 Plumbing Conference.

Thank you !

Each year I make my final words to be a huge thank you to Lorelei. Unless you are on the Committee, you really do not appreciate the effort that Lorelei puts into running this Association. She provides an incredible contribution to this Association. I hope that she will continue to be a part of our Chapter for many years to come.

Have a safe and happy Christmas and new year !

One last thing ! (that may be of interest)



**THE WAIT IS
ALMOST OVER**

**NEW
IMPROVED
DATE**

**The Sandy Beach Kiosk Dunny Launch
Grand Opening, Saturday October 21st, 11am
Special Guest Felicity Frederico**

New \$617k Sandy Beach Kiosk toilets in Sandringham set to open to great fanfare

Trent Evans, Bayside Leader

October 20, 2017 12:30pm

•ONLY in Bayside would there not only be five-star public toilets, but a “grand opening” complete with choir music.

This is one launch you won't want to miss.

The Bayside Choir will star at the launch of the \$617,000 pair of dunnies on the Sandringham foreshore tomorrow.

There will be VIP guests and speakers including former Mayor Felicity Frederico.

The winner of a gold coin raffle will walk through a guard of honour of toilet brushes to become the first to spend a penny.

Money raised will be donated to the local Robert Connor Dawes Foundation.

[RELATED: Council splashes cash on designer dunnies](#)

The blue-ribbon opening of the public toilets near the Sandy Beach Kiosk car park was organised by kiosk owners Margy and Mike Meyers, who are also celebrating the cafe's 34th birthday.

“We wanted to stage a send-up event,” Mr Meyers said.

“We are using four toilet rolls, which will be cut at the official opening.”

There are no costs involved in the event.

In March, Bayside Council announced it would splash \$617,000 on two architecturally-designed public toilets.

An ageing Jetty Rd convenience at Picnic Point was rebuilt, and a second new facility built 200m away.

The old toilet block. Picture: Chris Eastman and one of the new, rather pricey improvements.

Picture: Ellen Smith

The project is part of the council’s Bayside Public Toilet Strategy, whereby it spends about \$300,000 for a new toilet and \$250,000 for the renewal of an existing toilet each year.

VIP guests including former Bayside mayor and councillor Felicity Frederico will speak at the event, which starts at 11am.