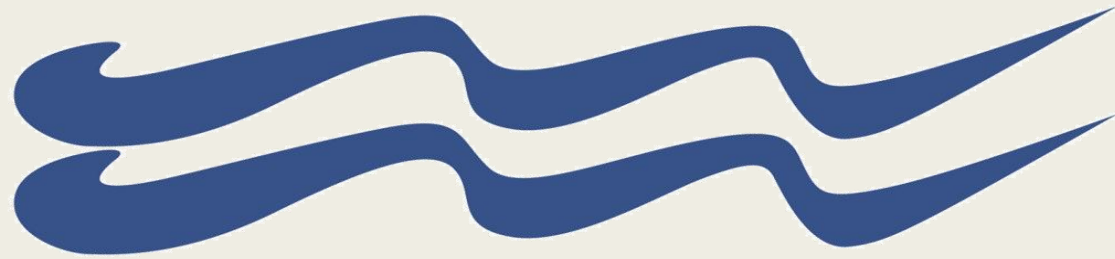


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Association of Hydraulic Services Consultants Australia
QUEENSLAND CHAPTER INC.

PRESIDENTS REPORT 2021

Chris Tritton

Welcome to the 2021 Annual General Meeting of the AHSCA Queensland Chapter

2021 started off with high hopes after a challenging 2020. Unfortunately, what we had was a continuation of restrictions, shutdowns and border closures all making 2021 as difficult as the previous year.

We continued to operate and run the AHSCA Queensland in a similar manner to 2020, although we did manage to hold one face to face meeting this year, apart from tonight's AGM. Our Webinars continue to be a popular addition to our yearly activities.

2021 Committee Members

President:	Chris Tritton
Vice President:	Ken Crase
Secretary:	Bruce Dan
Treasurer:	Adrian Zirps
Committee Member:	David Mitmannsgruber
Committee Member:	Craig Richardson
Committee Member:	Kristy Preston
AHSCARF Representative	Terry McKendry

2021 HIGHLIGHTS

- We had national meetings to discuss educational issues. David Mitmannsgruber was instrumental on not just a State basis, but also from a national perspective.
- I was invited to be a part of ABCB Plumbing Research Forum in November
- We met with the MPAQ and other industry partners to discuss the Bi-annual Conference, Plumbing and Gas Industry Awards, etc.
- We ran a series of Webinars with special guests and sponsors
- We continued our representation on Australian standards (albeit at a reduced level)
- We had meetings with various Councils and other industry bodies and Associations
- We maintained our membership levels at just under 200
- We provided articles to the MPAQ Journal
- Andrew Garden of MRP was named Hydraulic Consultant of the Year.

WEBINARS

30/03/2021 – Guest presenters Toby turner(UU) and Affiliate presenter Kembla.

29/04/2021 – Guest presenter and Affiliate ACO

2/06/2021 – Joint presentation between AHSCA Qld and HCAA NSW

22/06/2021 – On-Line General Meeting and H2X presentation

27/07/2021 – Guest presenters Deakin University and Valsir Australia

10/11/2021 – Guest presenters Dr Terry Lucke and Ben Wilson (UU)

AHSCA RESEARCH FOUNDATION

I have stepped down as a Director of the AHSCARF, being in that position for the last six years. David Mitmannsgruber has agreed to take on that role in addition to his position as Education Representative.

With COVID-19, the efforts of the Research Foundation have again been severely affected. However, we did discuss the relocation of the Test Rig as well as the on-going education issues, without any real conclusion at this stage. Education continues to be a concern for our profession and will be a high priority for the next Committee.

This year we were able to offer the Stormwater Training Courses on-line. A number of members completed the course and tonight I have their certificates here to present.

Terry McKendry, our Queensland Representative on the AHSCA Research Foundation has provided a detailed report which will be attached to this President's Report. Terry has kindly agreed to remain as our Representative for the next 12 months.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

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

- Keith Petersen
- Chris Tritton

I would like to thank Keith for his on-going support of the AHSCA Qld. From a personal perspective, I would like to express my appreciation for being nominated for Life Membership.

Assuming that these nominations are ratified by the Members, Certificates will be presented at our 40th Anniversary Dinner tonight.

LONG MEMBERSHIP RECOGNITION

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

- Grizzly Blair 40 years
- Bob Parker 30 years
- Alex Semple 30 years
- Randall Spice 20 years

Congratulations to all of them. If they are here, I would like to present their plaques to them at our 40th Anniversary Dinner tonight.

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 reached in this industry. In addition to our Webinar sponsors, a number of our Affiliates went that little bit further and sponsored our face to face events during the year.

8 September General Meeting

- Halgan

2 December 40th Anniversary Dinner/AGM

- EJ
- Halgan
- Zip
- Stiebel Eltron
- Rheem

I would like to again express my appreciation to those Affiliates.

CHALLENGES FOR 2022

We have already identified a number of challenges for 2022. Some other issues are as follows:

- Finalising a new education model for future Hydraulic Consultants
- Getting a reactive soils course up and running and ratifying it with the QBCC
- Maintaining good quality Webinars (as has been the case for our 2021 series)
- Providing CPD opportunities for our members
- Working with the MPAQ and other affiliated industry groups on the Plumbing Conference, the Plumbing Industry and Gas Awards, and other similar events
- Meet with the IPIQ to discuss issues of mutual interest
- Meet with the BPEQ to discuss some form of mutual recognition

Thank you !

My last comment is always to thank our secretariat, Lorelei, for all that she does for our Association. Unless you are on the Committee, you really do not appreciate the effort that Lorelei puts into running this Association and the assistance she gives me. 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 !