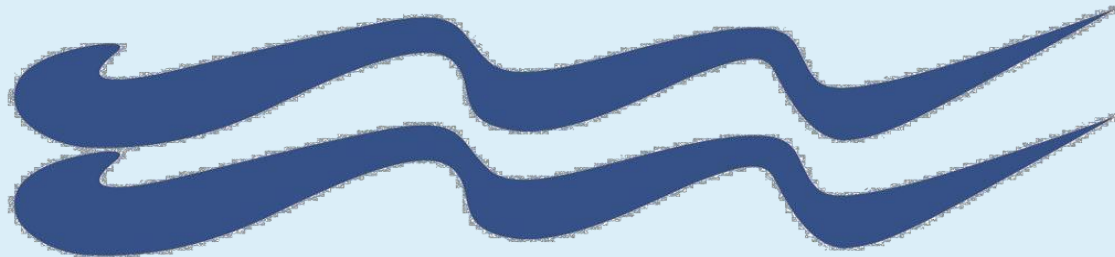


AHSCA



Association of Hydraulic Services Consultants Australia
QUEENSLAND CHAPTER INC.

PRESIDENTS REPORT 2024

Ashley Monson

Welcome to the 2024 Annual General Meeting of the AHSCA Queensland Chapter

As is the case for every year, 2024 was not without its challenges.

We reduced the number of General Meetings and included:

- Trade Show
- General meetings
- Webinars
- Factory tours and presentations

General Meetings provide an occasion for fellowship and networking among all Consultants and our Affiliate partners. As such, these remain our primary and most important events throughout the year.

2024 Highlights

- Committee planning session
- Working with the MPAQ and IPIQ.
- We held a number of Webinars and Factory Tours
- We worked with the other State Chapters to address our Education concerns
- Online consultants meeting
- We maintained our membership levels at just under 200
- We provided articles to the MPAQ Journal
- Trade Show

Hydraulic Consultant of the Year

Congratulations to all that entered:

- AECOM
- Interior Engineering
- Aqualogical
- DMA

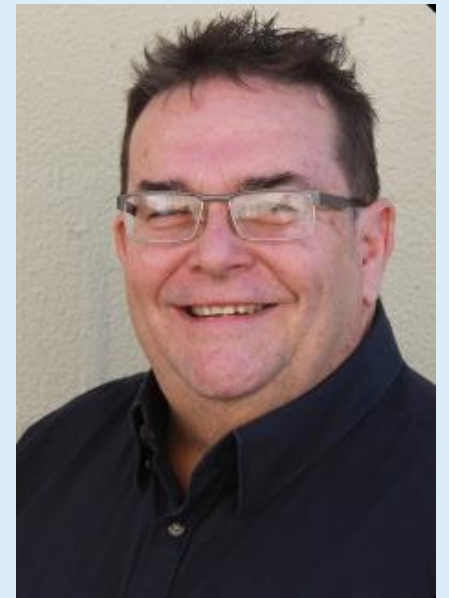


Goodbye Tension, Hello Pension

Numero Uno
He made this job look easy.
Enjoying his retirement.



Second in Charge
Always willing to help
Looking to stay involved



2024 Committee Members

Your Committee has been meeting every month with every second meeting being face to face. I thank them for their support and council during the last 12 months

President: Ashley Monson

Vice President: David Mitmannsgruber

Secretary: Dean Carter

Treasurer: Adrian Zirps

Committee
Members: Sean Bell
Bruce Dan
Ken Crase

AHSCA RF
Representative: Terry McKendry

Secretariat: Lorelei Broadbent

Education Update

David Mitmannsgruber has worked tirelessly on this issue, not just for Queensland, but for all State Chapters.

Stage 1 and stage 2 of the stormwater course is being provided on the 8th and 15th of November by AHSCA RF

Cert IV Hydraulic Services Design remains available at TAFE QLD as an on-line only delivery.

TAFE NSW remains the only current RTO running the Diploma in Hydraulic Services design

AHSCA National with the support of MPAQ and MPA(Vic) continue to lobby Buildskills to upgrade the current Hydraulic Services Diploma. BuildSkills Australia is the national Jobs and Skills Council for the built environment sector.

We have held Online and face-to-face discussions and formally submitted a white paper on the current lack of formal qualification issue with more to follow in 2025.

Membership Statistics

Our Membership currently sits at 178 made up as follows:

■ Fellow	2
■ Full	72
■ Associate	27
■ Affiliates	40
■ Corporate	9
■ Student	6
■ Life	16
■ Honorary Life	5
■ Teacher	1

Meeting Sponsors

Face to Face meetings:

- Enware - Articulation joints in reactive soil designs
- ACO - PI Insurance
- Graf / Halgan - Australian Standards committee processes

Webinars

- Drainwave solutions for low flow and reduced grade drainage designs (Azzura)
- PP Pipework (Georg Fischer)
- Hot water heat pumps (Automatic Heating)
- Water services valving (Hydroflow)
- PE-X pipework (Rehau)

Showroom heat pumps (Stiebel)

CPD - Great return with around 70% of members completing and returning their CPD log.

2025

Items on the list for next year:

- Finalising a new education model/stream for future Hydraulic Consultants
- Continuing to resolve challenges in relation to implantation of changes to 2419.1
- Getting a reactive soils course up and running and ratifying it with the QBCC
- 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
- Providing a better service to encompass all Consultants in Queensland.
- WiHi
- Research opportunities

Thank you !

Financial Statements

(June 2024)

Our Financial position remains viable, allowing investment into issues associated with Education, Codes and Research.

The following figures are from Accru Rawsons for the period ending 30 June 2024.

	This Year	Last Year
Income		
Events - Trade Show	\$19,000.00	\$0.00
Events - Other	\$6,000.00	\$0.00
Membership Fees - Member	\$20,762.78	\$20,679.89
Membership Fees - Associate	\$5,735.24	\$7,477.29
Membership Fees - Affiliate	\$31,639.14	\$28,999.14
Membership Fees - Student	\$620.43	\$859.05
Membership Application Fees	\$350.00	\$325.00
Membership - Corporate	\$2,708.19	\$3,610.92
Membership - Teacher	\$280.91	\$1,123.64
Sponsorship	\$10,236.36	\$13,350.00
SM Campaign	\$0.00	\$3,500.00
RF Course	\$0.00	\$9,000.00
Total Income	\$97,333.05	\$88,924.93

	This Year	Last Year
Expenses		
Accounting & Audit Fees	\$3,000.00	\$2,840.00
Awards & Prizes	\$1,219.65	\$0.00
Bad Debt Written Off	\$385.00	\$0.00
Bank Merchant Fees	\$918.48	\$845.47
Courier & Freight	\$0.00	\$14.54
Depreciation Expense	\$8.12	\$9.55
Event Costs	\$1,236.36	\$0.00
Fees & Permits	\$54.59	\$0.00
Gifts & Prizes	\$363.64	\$1,493.91
Insurance	\$2,805.30	\$2,648.20
Marketing Services	\$10,800.00	\$4,500.00
Meeting & Representation Costs	\$2,196.45	\$1,678.23
Members Meetings	\$15,232.87	\$14,348.10
Photocopying	\$70.40	\$94.00
Postage	\$0.00	\$19.77
Printing & Stationery	\$300.00	\$372.55
Research Foundation	\$100.00	\$4,770.28
RF Course Costs	\$0.00	\$9,000.00
Sponsorship	\$7,500.00	\$8,650.00
Secretariat Fees	\$43,963.66	\$40,360.27
Telephone Fax & Email	\$338.16	\$1,010.34
Trade Show	\$13,114.50	\$0.00
Travel & Parking Costs	\$396.06	\$37.43
Website & Internet Costs	\$810.00	\$0.00
Total Expenses	<u>\$104,813.24</u>	<u>\$92,692.64</u>
Net Profit/(Loss)	<u>-\$7,480.19</u>	<u>-\$3,767.71</u>

	This Year	Last Year
Assets		
General Cheque Account	\$5,187.45	\$18,871.52
Trade Debtors	\$6,600.00	\$770.00
Banners	\$1,077.36	\$1,077.36
Accumulated Depreciation	-\$1,031.34	-\$1,023.22
Total Assets	\$11,833.47	\$19,695.66
Liabilities		
GST Liabilities		
GST Collected	\$824.00	\$1,427.00
GST Paid	-\$3,015.00	-\$2,541.00
Total GST Liabilities	-\$2,191.00	-\$1,114.00
Membership Fees Paid in Advanc	\$695.00	\$0.00
Total Liabilities	-\$1,496.00	-\$1,114.00
Net Assets	\$13,329.47	\$20,809.66
Equity		
Retained Earnings	-\$17,902.46	-\$14,134.75
Current Earnings	-\$7,480.19	-\$3,767.71
Historical Balancing Account	\$38,712.12	\$38,712.12
Total Equity	\$13,329.47	\$20,809.66

Proposed Change to Rules

The Management Committee is proposing minor updates (no major changes) to the membership criteria. Those changes are highlighted in the proposed new Rules as attached to the AGM papers

5) A Full member shall have a minimum of six years' experience as a hydraulic services designer and be practicing in the hydraulic services profession. Where employed as a hydraulic services designer in an office the member shall have a minimum of six years' experience as a hydraulic services designer, hold the **current equivalency of the Diploma of Hydraulic Services, Diploma of Engineering (Construction Hydraulics), Associate/ Diploma of Plumbing Services** or other acceptable qualifications and the office must be supervised by a person who is a Full Member ~~or who is eligible for Full Membership of the Association.~~ The Management Committee may waive two years' experience for graduates of an approved course at ~~Associate/Diploma~~ level. A Full member is entitled to one vote at all general and annual general meetings. Except where a member is no longer active in hydraulic services consulting, he/she is required to obtain the minimum points prescribed in the CPD (Continuing Professional Development) Policy during the period stated. For the purposes of this sub-rule, the term "supervision" shall not mean verification of the "day-to-day" hydraulic services installation, nor giving directions to contractors on specifics of the hydraulic services installation. Supervision includes periodical inspections to ensure that the hydraulic services installation generally conforms with the intent of the design and specification.

- 6) An Associate member shall have a minimum of one years' experience as a hydraulic designer, design drafter or supervisor in the ~~consulting engineering profession~~, **hydraulic services profession**, or a graduate of an approved course, and now employed in a recognised hydraulic consultant's office. An Associate member is entitled to one vote at all general and annual general meetings, after having been a member for 12 consecutive months.
- 7) An Affiliate member shall be a manufacturer or distributor of plumbing or allied products whose principals have no financial interests in a plumbing contracting firm. It is entitled to advertise ~~in the Association's Newsletter for a prescribed fee as determined from time to time by the management committee~~, **its membership of the AHSCA**, is entitled to hold seminars for the benefit of the membership and is entitled to include technical articles ~~in the Association's Newsletter~~ **on the Associations LinkedIn page or website** at no cost. The Committee shall decide what constitutes a technical article, and their decision shall be final and binding. An Affiliate Member has no voting rights.
 - a) A Corporate member shall be a company who must have a Director or Principal who is a Full member of the Association. It is entitled to be included in all advertisements under the Association's logo at cost. Is eligible to use the Association's logo on all drawing title blocks, and is entitled to other rights and privileges as determined by the management committee. A Corporate member has no voting rights.

- b) Student membership shall only be extended to a student who is currently enrolled in the ~~Associate Diploma~~ **Certificate IV in Plumbing and Services – Hydraulic Services Design** course or equivalent. Student membership shall be withdrawn immediately upon completion of the course. A Student member may upgrade to Associate/Full membership after the qualifying period is complete, as defined in these Articles. A Student member has the right to provide, upon application to the committee, input on any educational or technical matter. A student member has no voting rights.
- c) A Fellow shall be any member with more than twenty-five years Full membership of the Association and who has served on the Management Committee are eligible to be admitted to the grade of Fellow and shall be entitled to one vote at all general and annual general meetings.
- d) Teacher membership is available to all teachers from registered training organisations involved in plumbing and hydraulic services. A Teacher Member has no voting rights under the Constitution.
- e) Life membership may be recommended by the management committee for any Full member deemed worthy by their action or contribution to the Association or hydraulic **services** profession. Such recommendations shall be ratified by a two-thirds majority vote at the Association's Annual General Meeting. Life members shall not be required to pay membership fees and shall be entitled to one vote at all general and annual general meetings.

- g) A Plumbing Inspector/Certifier member shall have a minimum of six years' experience as a Plumbing Inspector/Certifier, hold the ~~associate/diploma of plumbing services~~ **Certificate IV in Plumbing and Services – Hydraulic Services Design** course or equivalent and be currently employed by a local authority or certifier's office. A Plumbing Inspector/Certifier has no voting rights.
- h) A Plumbing Contractor category is by invitation only. Each company shall be invited by the Management Committee and approved by the members at the Annual General Meeting (AGM). The invitation expires annually at each AGM and is automatically withdrawn at that time. Two representatives from the company may participate in Chapter activities. This invitation does not reflect membership of the AHSCA Queensland Chapter and has no voting rights.
- (i) Retired membership applies to any member other than an affiliate member who **has** retired and is no longer practicing or in full time employment who chooses to be transferred to retired membership. Retired members retain all rights and privileges accorded to the grade of membership at which they retired.