



CILTA E-NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to the CILTA Newsletter

National Council Endorses the Future Development of CILTA

The National Council met in Newcastle on the 23rd October, amongst other things, to discuss the further development of CILTA.

Councillors acknowledged CILTA needed to keep pace with the advances in the transport and logistics industry. Outgoing National Chair John West agreed adding that the development of CILTA needed the support of the Sections.

The marketing strategy provided for CILTA to be the preferred professional organization for people in the transport and logistics industry.

“We are heading towards being the pre-eminent professional body in Australia and to be seen by industry and government as the organization of value”, John West said.

Howard Croxon was welcomed as the incoming Chair and enunciated three key objectives:

The first objective is that CILTA is recognized as the “go to” organisation for government and industry people.

The second objective is that CILTA develops the right educational programs in T&L. “As industry matures it is going to be looking at educational programs which provide leadership in transport and logistics”, Howard Croxon said.

As a first step a special sub-committee will be formed to examine a number of proposals developed so far by the National Executive Committee. The Committee will work in consultation with each of the Sections with the Sectional response due by mid December. The matter will then be referred back to the National Executive Committee for development and recommendation to the National Council.

The third objective was one of effective communication to members, to industry and to government in regard to activities and events occurring in the transport and logistics industry.

Howard Croxon introduced the recently appointed CEO Hal Morris to the National Council and said that within the next few weeks he and Hal would visit the Sections with an outline of actions to be undertaken.

In the meantime our Marketing Co-ordinator Nicole Comerford has the task to establish partnerships with key corporations in the industry. The aim is to focus on the mutual benefits for the companies and CILTA.

In other business the National Council endorsed an increase of 10% to the membership fees noting that the fees had remained the same since 2003. The variation in fees will apply as from the 1st July 2010.

The National Council also agreed that it was important to encourage a greater involvement of the Accelerate in CILTA activities. It is proposed to disband the national Accelerate structure and to integrate the Accelerate group in each State under the umbrella of the Section concerned.

Len Harper reported that the International Management Committee had endorsed the submission by CILTA to host the 2011 International Council Meeting in Sydney. The Council Meeting will be associated with an international conference at this time.

The National Council also acknowledged the 75th Anniversary of the Chartered Institute which was first established in New South Wales on the 18th January 1935. It is proposed to run a series of events across the Sections commencing in the early part of 2010 to celebrate the 75th Anniversary culminating in the National Awards to be held in the later part of the year in Sydney.

A small group was formed to undertake the planning for these events.

CILTA Transport and Logistics Industry Excellence Awards - 2009

The Chartered Institute held the T&L Industry Excellence Awards at Newcastle on Friday, 23rd October.

The Awards Presentation Dinner was a successful event with a range of industry representatives gathering to celebrate the outstanding efforts and achievements of their colleagues.

The 2009 CILTA Transport and Logistics Industry Excellence Award Winners were:

Excellence in Safety Award

Leighton Contractors, Infrastructure Services NSW

Bluescope Steel received a High Commendation

Queensland Department of Transport and Main Roads – Road Safety received a High Commendation

Excellence in People Development Award

The Royal Australian Navy Supply Community

Excellence in Technology/Innovation Award

Transperth-WA Public Transport Authority

Port Waratah Coal Service Limited received a High Commendation

Community Service Recognitions

CSIRO Transport Flagship Team – Fuel for Thought Report to Australian Industry

NSW Meals on Wheels Association

Excellence in Customer Service Award

Each of the following was jointly presented the Excellence in Customer Service Award and received the independent assessor's report.

DGL (Aust) Pty Ltd

Newcastle Stevedores

Marie Borg of Newcastle Port Corporation received a Special Commendation for her especial service to customers

Young Achiever Award

David Brown of Cruise Hunter, Newcastle Port Corporation

David Brown in receiving the award was celebrated as an outstanding example of a young person who has taken up the challenges put to him and has succeeded admirably in his unique co-ordinating role with the Newcastle Port Corporation, cruise ship operators and the tourist industry.

As part of the prize for the Young Achiever Award David will travel to Malta in 2010 and represent CILTA at the International Young Members Forum. David will also be the Australian representative in the International Young Achiever Award.

CILTA sincerely thanks their award sponsors for the generous support and also a special thanks to all the judges concerned.

Mack Trucks Australia

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Linfox to Roll Out Mobile Workforce Management System

Linfox Logistics will soon begin using the GeoManager system to manage over 2,000 vehicles within its expanding mobile workforce.

Linfox is rolling out the system to help improve customer service, enhance driver safety, reduce operating costs and for better management of greenhouse gas emissions.

John McArdle Appointed to SA's Peak Freight Transport Industry Group

John McArdle FCILT of Adelaide Airport Limited and Chair of the CILT South Australian Section has been elected as the Chairman of the South Australian Freight Council.

John McArdle is widely regarded in the national aviation and freight transport industries with more than 40 years experience.

CILTA has extended congratulations to John on his appointment.

Partners Sought to Develop Gold Coast Rapid Transit

The Queensland Government's \$1.7 billion Gold Coast Rapid Transit Project will be put to market as a public-private partnership.

The government has devised a risk and reward sharing structure which it hopes will entice the private sector to back the project.

Even though the light rail project has already received nearly \$1 billion in public funding the Project Director Tim Poole said that the project team has had to consider the global financial crisis and its impact on the market.

The government will be proposing an arrangement where it takes most of the farebox revenue risk but has an appropriate risk and reward sharing with the private partner.

Stage 1 of the project will be a 13 km light rail system between Griffin University and Broadbeach.

Relaunch of North Queensland Section

The North Queensland Section of CILTA has been relaunched in Townsville with the Main Roads Minister Craig Wallace as its Patron.

The Chairman of the North Queensland Section Shenal Basnayake said the group had been reformed to promote professional in the industry, to give people the opportunity to network with industry peers and to provide a point of contact to raise industry issues.

The National Chairman Howard Croxon and CEO Hal Morris will visit Townsville on the 6th November when the first event is planned.

NSW Rail Clearways on Track

Sydney's CityRail Network is one of the most complex in the world with some 14 rail lines integrating with one another. The Rail Clearways Program is intended to simplify Sydney's rail network and increase the reliability and frequency of train services.

The program will divide the networks 14 metropolitan rail lines into five independent clearways to remove bottlenecks and junctions, reduce congestion and delays and allow for simpler timetables for more reliable and frequent services.

Eight of the 13 projects in the program have been delivered. This work to date has provided new platforms, turn-backs and stabling facilities as well as upgrading stations. Accessibility has been improved at a number of stations through the provision of lifts and additional commuter car parking.

Sydney's Future Transport Plan – The Controversy Continues

NSW Transport Minister Campbell's recent announcement that the government would investigate a light rail through Sydney's city centres has further heightened speculation over Sydney's long-term transport plans.

Media reports have suggested that if the study finds light rail a viable option it could potentially undermine the case for the controversial CBD Metro.

The Chartered Institute has recently submitted a paper to the NSW Government on the long term development of urban passenger transport in Sydney and will participate in the study being undertaken under the Chair of Mr. Ron Christie former Co-ordinator General of Transport in NSW.

Southern Sydney Freight Line Stalls

The Australian Rail Track Corporation has stopped working on the Southern Sydney Freight Line whilst it sorts out several planning deficiencies and cost overruns. The delays will have an effect on the completion of the line by some two years.

The ARTC has admitted to three key design flaws that mean the project must be halted and no work proceed until they are sorted out. The design flaws are:

- Firstly, signal design and modifications to the RailCorp ATRICS signaling system may not be made until November 2010 or early 2011;
- Secondly, the ARTC has to re-design of the route to minimize impact on the Glenfield Garbage Tip;
- Thirdly, services such as telephone and electricity lines have not been relocated along the planned line prior to commencing construction and now must be relocated before construction can proceed.

Toll's Next Move in New Zealand

Following its acquisition of Japanese forwarder Footwork Express, the Toll Group has now purchased the Express Logistics Group one of New Zealand's freight forwarding companies.

ELG currently operates 12 freight forwarding branches across New Zealand, Australia and USA and also provides value adding warehouse and transport services.

Paul Little Managing Director of Toll said “the additional revenue from the ELG acquisition of approximately \$A125 million per annum will cement TGF’s position as a leading provider of freight forwarding services in the Australian and New Zealand market.

CONFERENCES

Logistics Bureau – Free Breakfast Seminar

The next Logistics Bureau Breakfast Seminar will be held in Sydney on 10th November and in Melbourne on 11th November with the topic being “Asset Ownership in the Supply Chain”.

Details of locations at this stage can be obtained by ringing 02 8799 2175.

NSW Transport Infrastructure Summit 2009

This summit will be held at the Sydney Harbour Marriott Circular Quay on 24th/25th November 2009.

The keynote session will cover plans for the future of NSW’s transport network and go on to examine the transport infrastructure challenges for the future.

Day 2 will look at issues relating to freight transport, urban planning and public transport.

For details please contact Lloyds List DCN at Jessica.humphries@informa.com.au

CILTA members will receive a 10% on the fee for the summit.

The 4th Intermodal Asia 2010 Australia Exhibition and Conference

The 4th Intermodal Asia Exhibition Conference will be held on 28th/29th January 2010. The Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport will be appointed as an official supporting organization.

Previous intermodal Asia conferences have focused on a range of issues affecting trade in South-East Asia and the 4th Annual Conference promises to offer as much.

Details will be available in future Newsletters. In the meantime enquiries can be made directly to nisa@transportevents.com

Urban Transport World – Australia 2010

The Urban Transport World Conference will be held at the Sydney Hilton Hotel between 22nd and 26th February 2010.

CILTA Members will be entitled to a 15% discount on the list price.

Early inquiries can be made to Jerilee.abbott@terrapinn.com

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