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AGM

THE AGM WILL BE HELD ON 24TH JULY 2020 AT 2.00 TO 2.30 PM AT

HERA HOUSE
17-19 GLADDING WAY
MANUKAU

NICK'S NEWS

Unusual times, and its is great to see the sector back up and running post lock-down.

The NASH team has been busy over this time, and our small team is growing. Cherie Milne joins us in an admin / communications / support role. Having spent much of her working life in marketing and sales roles with New Zealand Steel, Cherie knows our sector well. It is great to have her on the team. In addition to writing newsletters she is starting to update and improve our website, and will be in touch with you in due course.

Alistair continues to progress NASH's learning resources programme with BRANZ's – great progress has been made in scoping LSF modules for engineers, designers and trades. This has also provided robust frameworks that NASH can use in our presentations to polytech's and universities – more of his fine work in the adjoining column.

I am continuing to progress the designers tool kit – and plan to submit a funding request to BRANZ later this month for funding to scope work across the five themes. Pouya at Auckland University is well advanced with the seismic / bracing theme and is currently designing a two story test rig

The AGM will be held on Friday 24th July 2.00 to 2.30. ZOOM details will be provided closer to the date for those who are unable to attend in person. The AGM agenda will be distributed in July.

Nick Collins

TRAINING UPDATE

NASH started working with Competenz (Manufacturing ITO) last November to develop a light steel framing detailer course. Following development of a business case which was completed in March, Competenz announced post shut down, to develop and run the course.

We are currently reviewing the course content (using the existing timber detailer qualification as a reference) with the intention of having the new steel framing detailer course available by the end of the year. This will require some assistance with student assessments by industry experts.

In April (via ZOOM), BRANZ's with help from the Inspire Group and NASH representatives Gary Knofflock, Gordon Barrett, Nick Collins and Alistair Fleming started the development of learning resources for designers and engineers. An external group of industry representatives have reviewed the content and have provided additional comments as to content.

Over the next couple of months, we will have our first steel framing presentations to Architectural Technology students at Unitec and Wintec. Wintec have made a commitment to include steel framing as an integral part of their Architectural Technology and Construction courses for next year.

For more information please contact Alistair at Alistair@NASHNZ.org.nz

We are always on the lookout for interesting stories or case studies for the newsletter and the website. If you have something that is news worthy please email Cherie@NASHNZ.org.nz.

INTERESTING READING FROM AROUND THE GLOBE

LIGHT STEEL FRAMING - UK

This is the first issue of a new publication by the Light Steel Frame Association. This is full of interesting articles including one on Steel, Sustainability and the Circular Economy which is well worth a read. Two of our Members are also featured, Howick Ltd and Framacad. Click [here](#) have a look.

BUILD STEEL - AMERICA

To construct a building that stands up to the elements, choosing a strong,

resilient building material is vital. But it doesn't end there. It can also be helpful to perform a stiffness analysis to determine if the design will resist lateral load.

To learn more about doing the calculations for your design, read, ["What Cranberry Sauce and Graham Crackers Have to Do With a Stiffness Analysis."](#) (Trust me — you'll understand the reference to cranberry sauce and graham crackers once you read it.)

WHAT IS THE SUSTAINABLE STEEL COUNCIL (SSC) AND WHAT CAN IT DO FOR MY BUSINESS?

Have you heard of the Sustainable Steel Council (SSC)? It is a group of industry leaders committed to the circular economy and New Zealand's low-emissions future. They have developed a programme of work that will support the New Zealand Steel sector through.

- Supporting the sector in building skills, capacity and the process for maximizing steel's contribution to a sustainable low-emission and climate resilient society.
- Developing New Zealand's first sustainable steel certification programme.
- Developing resources for the sector
- Advancing steel's role in the circular economy.

As an SSC member you will be participating in enabling our industry's role in New Zealand's low-emissions future and advancing the circular economy. SSC membership provides the opportunity to take the journey to SSC Certification, help shape the sector agenda and gain first mover advantage in a low-emissions, sustainability focused market.

For example, a focus on waste reduction and steel's contribution to the circular economy has significant potential to create commercial opportunities.

For small enterprises, which are the life blood of our sector and the New Zealand economy, SSC membership will provide support and access to resources.

It also demonstrates to customers and stakeholders that you are actively addressing key sustainability issues in your production processes and supply chain.

SSC Certification is also recognised as a criterion in the New Zealand Green Building Council's Green Star (NZGBC) rating scheme under credit 20.

For further information visit the SSC website at www.sustainablesteel.org.nz.



"Identify your problems but give your power and energy to solutions."

PEOPLE

NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Paul Jenkins has recently joined the NASH Board. Paul has been with New Zealand Steel since 2005, He has been involved with Light Steel Framing through a number of New Zealand Steel customers. Michael Walters has left New Zealand Steel to take up other opportunities.

Sidhant (Sid) Kumar from Redco has also recently joined the NASH Board. Sid completed his BE at the Fiji National University, representing the Fijian Government and University at Capstone. Then undertook a Masters of Engineering Studies at the University of Auckland. Sid has been with Redco NZ Ltd, Tauranga for the past 3 and a half years. He has considerable experience in Light Steel Framing in residential, industrial and commercial design.