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From the Acting President

Dear Members,

May I pass on the best wishes for the New Year from your committee.

As previously advised Allan Hill (our Auckland Committee member) has taken up the role of National Secretary.

The other news is that Phil Dayson, our Auckland President, has departed this country and taken up a position in Western Australia. Our loss their gain. I am sorry to see Phil and his family go but when the door of opportunity is open one needs to move on through it. Phil has moved to Australia and his family will follow.

Looking forward to the New Year there are a number of events that will be of interest to members in the coming year.

In February Ideal Electrical will host an evening and judging by the interesting information, both technical and organisational, it should be a most informative evening.

In March there will be a meeting at MIT in Manukau to discuss Rules and Regulations with a view to asking questions of the regulators and enforcers at our National Conference in Wellington on 16th to 18th March.

Some items that were suggested by the Branch Committee :-

- With the reduction of CoC income to the EWRB how will they finance the EWLG ? Increase Practicing Licence fees ?
- Regarding changes to the “Machine Safety” standards there are changes in the EN standard that need to be considered and possibly adopt the AS4024.1, a joint standard, or a New Zealand standard.
- Funding for Advanced Trade (Level 5) and Diploma be sought from Tertiary Education Commission.

In April last year we did not have enough people to warrant a roast dinner and movie at Westwind. If you are interested please contact the Secretary, John Brothers and register your interest as we need 20 people.

An evening on the Automation and Control of Baggage Handling is proposed for May.

Check the table at the end of the Newsletter for times and dates.

A fun and exciting year for all. We look forward to seeing you at some of the meeting to discuss with presenters and ideas among other attending members.

Regards,

Joe Heappey (Acting Branch President)

Programme:

- 9th February 2012 - Ideal Electrical Penrose visit. (Alan Hill to confirm with Kevin Thomas)
- 1st March 2012 - Pre AGM Members meeting at M.I.T. Room P208 @ 1930 to Discuss Rules and Regulations with a view to table questions to the Regulators and enforcers at Conference.
- 16th & 18th March 2012 - NZEI Conference @ The Brentwood Hotel Wellington.
- April 2012 - Dinner & Movie Evening (Minimum 20 Members) TBA
- 17th May 2012 - Presentation by Alan Hill on baggage handling at airports. Venue M.I.T. Room P208 @ 1930
- 7th June 2012 - Refresher Course @ Birkenhead RSA @ 1830
- 14th June 2012 - Refresher Course @ M.I.T. Room P208 @ 1830
- July 2012 – Tentative evening with EWRB venue and times TBA
- August 2012 – Tentative evening with Energy Safety venue and times TBA
- 06 September 2012 – Auckland Branch AGM venue and times TBA

Executive Committee Meetings

- 16th February 2012 - At Bob Hanham's @ 1930
- 22nd March 2012 - Post AGM meeting. Venue TBC
- 19th April 2012 – At Dave Cave's @ 1930
- 17th May 2012 - TBA
- 21st June 2012 - TBA
- 19th July 2012 - TBA
- 23rd August 2012 - TBA
- 06th September 2012 - AGM Venue TBA