

Issue 8 - NOVEMBER 2023



Hello Members,

Welcome to our last newsletter for the year, where has the year gone with Christmas upon us again!

A recap of the year,

It was with great pride and excitement that the PIA won the Leadership category at the annual Safeguard awards.

This was a first for the port sector and we are extremely proud of this achievement. We would like to acknowledge all the hard work that everyone has put in over and above their day jobs to make this happen as well as the ongoing and extremely valuable support for the PIA from the port sector and its organisations.





Jacqui RamsayExecutive Officer

We welcome 3 new members to our Executive Committee.

Representing the stevedores Chris Bell (ISO), joins Dave Wakelin (C3) and Troy Tane (QM) representing Ports Eugene Beneke (LPC) and Paul Williams (Nelson Port) join Pat Kirk (Port of Tauranga), Jonathan Hulme (Port of Auckland) and Marie McNaught (Centreport), as well as Kat Gardener (Container Co) representing container depots watch for their profiles in the next newsletter!





Another great conference

Thanks to our hosts South Port with our largest attendance yet in the deep south. We thank our sponsors for the year who contribute to the funding of the PIA, Leedsafe, Onestop, NZ Forklift Assn, TT Club, Sonasafe & Portstar Machinery.

Some highlights from the conference, were the highly valuable networking drinks and nibbles on the first night after the sub committee meetings, hearing and learning from a range of other industrial sectors and service providers across NZ, as well as the conference dinner listening to Paddy O'Brien's stories and adventures about the things that happened on and off the field that the public never saw or heard!

At this year's conference we also launched the Grant Wilson Memorial Award, for outstanding contribution to the Port Industry. The aim of the award was to recognise individuals who have had a significant positive impact within the port sector. The Judging panel had a difficult decision with high calibre candidates to choose from.

It was great to have Grants wife Lois and son Josh there to present the inaugural award to this year recipient Adam Harvey.



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ACOP Update

The draft went out for consultation and MNZ received 34 submissions with 731 individual comments which indicates a high degree of sector interest.

MNZ are currently working through the feedback analysis process. If required, MNZ will seek further industry clarification on specific issues via the Port Sector Health and Safety Leadership Group and industry lead subject matter expert workshops on specific topics.

HSWA Designation - This is now called Safer Ports Program

Designation scope:

- After the 1st July 2024, Maritime NZ's designation will expand to include the area of ports inside their boundary fence where access is restricted by a security gate, and adjacent buildings, installations, structures, or equipment used in connection with the port's operation or administration.
- The extended designation will include land side operations of the 13 commercial ports that provide cargo-handling services for containers, logs, and/or bulk cargo.
- WorkSafe NZ will remain responsible for regulating Major Hazard Facilities (MHF) and issuing permits, licences and other types of authorisations under the Health and Safety at Work Act, while Maritime NZ will be responsible for ensuring that businesses and workers on ports hold the necessary permits and licences.

MNZ commenced visits around Ports and affected PCBU's in November and aim to have them finished prior to Christmas. After each port visit, MNZ will create a draft designation map specific to that port and adjacent operating PCBU's that they believe will fall under the new MNZ designation post 1st July 2024. Final port designation maps will be finalized after all 13 ports have been visited.

MNZ will continue to keep us updated via the PHSLG and our HSE sub committee.

Port & Crane Academy of New Zealand (PCANZ)

We have reached a significant milestone in the setup of the PTE, with the recruitment for the person who will be the General Manager for PCANZ.

We had several great applicants and after a rigorous process the PCANZ establishment board offered the preferred candidate the position. We look forward to announcing this once accepted and confirmed, looking at a starting date in January 2024.

We are working through the process to secure Consent to Assess and Program Approval and will be looking to engage with trainers and assessors once the GM is appointed.

A permanent board of directors now needs to be appointed to replace the Establishment board. This process is beginning, and we will be going out to our wider membership with the scope of skill sets required and expectations of the role, seeking nominations.



We are please to advise we have Industry representation on the Freight Containers Joint standard committee.

Carywn Morgan (Container Co) Marie McNaught (Centreport) Sean Bradley (LPC). Thanks to these representatives for putting themselves forward and congratulations on being accepted, great representation for our Industry.





Fatigue Risk Management

The PIA is leading this work on behalf of MNZ and the FRMS working group that was formed is making good progress in this space. Partnering with MNZ we hosted another 2 day interactive workshop led by Dr Kirsty McCulloch. It was specifically designed to assist participants to work on their FRMS to enable effective implementation into their specific business. There was great attendance from all businesses across the sector.

A survey was sent to all businesses to help benchmark where we are all at through the journey. We had an excellent response rate (78%) that showed we have reached the first milestone with all businesses having started a FRMS by 1 September 2023.

Please check our website for our Fatigue Management resource centre – Fatigue Management – Port Industry. And contact your Fatigue working group rep for any information available through the Industry Teams' channel.

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Fair Pay Agreements

The newly elected Government has clearly indicated that a top priority is to repeal the Fair pay agreements. Therefore, all work has currently stopped until we have confirmation that this will occur. Thanks to Viv Bull for chairing the working group and those that were part of the group, it was great to see Industry come together and to share and learn in this space.



I would like to thank all our sub committee members and Chairs of each committee for their contributions, their businesses for their support and allowing their staff's ongoing participation as the PIA would not be able to function without this support.

Finally, to all our members wishing you all a safe and Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.