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FMANZ CEO

Kia ora koutou,

Welcome to this first issue of Forum, our revamped FMANZ newsletter. We've responded to your feedback - we know that you are busy people - and have created this shorter, sharper, easier to read Forum (FM for U) to keep you up to date and engaged more frequently with your professional Association.

Speaking of feedback, thank you to everyone who took part in our members' satisfaction survey. Your constructive response has been really useful and we are already acting on some of your ideas.

2019 is in full swing, with the first National Breakfast Series on Leadership and Resilience, and our Christchurch and Wellington Pathway Series compliance workshops proving to be a huge success. Registrations have opened for the national FM Summit and deadlines are looming large for our annual awards, national and branch service awards, and FMANZ Foundation student awards.

FMANZ celebrated another significant milestone with our first group of members accepted into their new professional membership categories. They are now embarking on their FM career development and using their FMANZ post-nominals.

With great sadness we witnessed last week's grave events in Christchurch, which have impacted us all. Our Association and the FMANZ Foundation have offered support and solidarity to our Christchurch colleagues, and our deepest sympathies and condolences for the victims and their grieving families.

Ngā mihi nui,

Gillian

**FM Summit Te Papa 26 - 27 June - Have You Registered?**



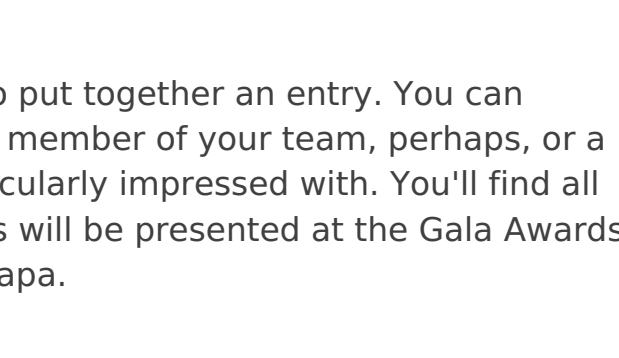
*Leading the Way*

The FM Summit is only three months away and - in case you haven't heard - we're excited to this year be bringing it to Wellington! Early bird rates close 13 May, so you definitely want to be in before then. Members, \$1100 (excl. GST) for two days offers a great-value investment in your career. You'll get to hear speakers from New Zealand and around the world presenting on a wide range of big picture and toolbox topics, which include transformational leadership, cutting edge waste management, facilities for EVs, stress management, procurement, the living wage, fire risk management, health and safety, the economy, asbestos, disaster management, sustainability, international standards, seismic assessments, government expectations of property, a look behind the scenes of Wellington Zoo, and much more.

Plus you can choose one of two special Te Papa tours, visit our boutique on-site trade show, and opt to attend our Gala Awards Dinner, presented by journalist Paddy Gower. To see the full programme, click [here](#), to register, click [here](#), and check out our range of accommodation options [here](#). And businesses, be sure to check out the sponsorship and trade show opportunities [here](#). The FM Summit is the perfect place to showcase your products and services directly to the people you want to target.

**Have You Got Your Nomination In Yet?**

Come on, don't be shy! If you feel you're deserving of some recognition, it's time to put modesty aside and get your nomination in for the Brian Happy Award for Facilities Manager of the Year, Young Achiever of the Year (for the under-35's) or Service Provider of the Year. Just think how good it would look on your CV! The deadline has been extended to **15 April**, so there's plenty of time to put together an entry. You can nominate yourself, or someone else - a member of your team, perhaps, or a mentor, or a supplier you've been particularly impressed with. You'll find all the information you need [here](#). Awards will be presented at the Gala Awards Dinner, on Wednesday 26 June, at Te Papa.



**Congratulations to our Newest Professional Members**

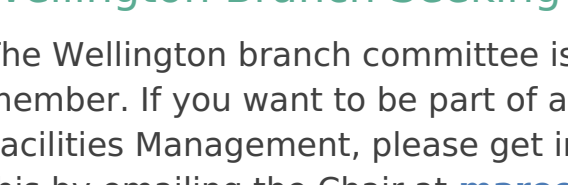
Congratulations to FMANZ's inaugural cohort of assessed professional members. The following members heeded our call and have demonstrated to their peers, employers and industry colleagues that they are serious about their professional development and FM career. They can now start using their post-nominal in their email signatures, on their business cards, in their CV etc. This post-nominal is their badge of professionalism. It demonstrates a commitment to their career and the FM profession, and is a recognition of their skills, experience and qualifications.

Lisa Gilmour AFMANZ, Kahn Johnston MFMANZ, Sonia-Ingrid Anderson MFMANZ, Carl Horrocks MFMANZ, Jack Thompson MFMANZ, Tony Munemo MFMANZ, Eoin Davidson MFMANZ, Richard Eyres MFMANZ, Martin Wassenaar MFMANZ, Warren Smith MFMANZ, Karlene Verryt MFMANZ and Samantha Rowley MFMANZ.

While assessment isn't compulsory, we strongly encourage all Individual members who are working as FM professionals to apply before the AGM in October. All you need to do is decide which membership category you qualify for and complete a short form. If you have a current CV handy, this should take around 10 minutes. (Note: An application for Certified membership will take longer as it requires a written submission.) The next deadline to have your application in for assessment is **4 April**. In response to questions we have been receiving from members, we have compiled some [FAQ](#). If you can't find the answer you're looking for there, please contact us at [assessment@fmanz.org](mailto:assessment@fmanz.org).

READY TO APPLY? It's simple! Click [here](#) to identify which membership category you're eligible for and then **request an assessment form**. Your request will only take a few minutes to process. (Note: You will need to have your FMANZ membership number handy, or enter the email address we currently send invitations, e-newsletters etc. to.)

**Deadline of 4 May for Foundation Applications**



On behalf of the FMANZ Foundation, we'd like to draw your attention to the deadline of **4 May**. If you're looking for funding to complete research that will benefit the FM industry; or to support a specific project that will bring innovation into

the industry, now is the time to apply for a Research and Innovation Grant. Also, if you work for a tertiary institute and have an outstanding student or graduate, you have until that date to nominate them for a Student of the Year or Graduate of the Year award. This is a wonderful opportunity for high achievers to receive recognition from the FM industry, along with a cash prize to further their careers. For more information, see [here](#).

**Wellington Branch Seeking New Committee Member**

The Wellington branch committee is on the lookout for a new committee member. If you want to be part of a great team of people committed to Facilities Management, please get in touch and let them know. You can do this by emailing the Chair at [maree@industriousproperty.nz](mailto:maree@industriousproperty.nz) or by connecting with one of the committee members at the next event.

**Get Active on LinkedIn**

Thanks to Phoenix Lavin, this year's Facilities Manager of the Year, for stepping up to be Group Administrator of FMANZ's [LinkedIn Group page](#). This is where you can actively engage with your FM colleagues, and discuss key topics within the FM industry. It's YOUR space to ask questions, offer advice, exchange ideas and insight, recount success stories and failures, and offer support to fellow FM professionals. We invite you to fully engage in active conversations, so [pop online](#) and have a look. Reply to what Phoenix posts! Tip: You might want to click on the Group settings and ensure you have ticked yes for all communication from the Group. (And don't forget - you will stop getting communication, no matter what your settings say, unless you click the links occasionally.)

**Upcoming Events**

Some dates to mark in your diary:

**The FM Summit**, of course. That's on in Wellington, on 26-27 June. FMANZ's Gala Awards Dinner will take place at Te Papa on the evening of Wednesday 26 June.

Tonight (21 March) in Dunedin, there's an After 5 event: **Drones in FM - a UAV Demonstration**, 5pm at Ombrellos Kitchen & Bar. Many thanks to WSP Opus for sponsoring this event.

In Auckland next Thursday, 28 March, Outside In are opening up their amazing showroom in Penrose for botanically themed drinks and nibbles, and a presentation on the many benefits of introducing plants into the indoor spaces you manage. [More info here](#).

There's a Board meeting in Auckland on 11 April, and the **National Breakfast Seminar Series** kicks off in the City of Sails on Friday 3 May, before making its way around the country. More details are coming soon, but we can tell you the topic - Collaboration: Where the trends are pointing and what the research tells us.

And on 15-16 May, EMANZ are running a two-day Energy Management for Facilities Managers course. [More info here](#).

**Comings and Goings**

Today we farewell our wonderful Administration & Membership Manager Sascha Brook. After three and a half years with the Association, Sascha is moving on to a new role for which we wish her every success. Joining us to take on this important front-line position is Lynda Booth. With a successful background in event and conference management, Lynda is looking forward to bringing her superb organisational and interpersonal skills to this role. A warm welcome to Lynda from all of us at FMANZ!

**Change of Address**

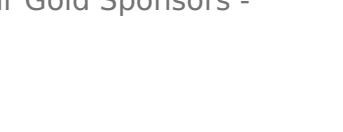
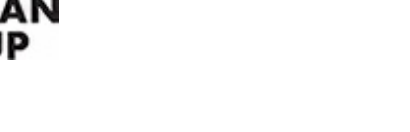
And one final piece of housekeeping before we sign off: We have a new postal address. You can now contact us, via mail, at PO Box 24 336, Royal Oak. Auckland 1345.

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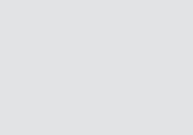
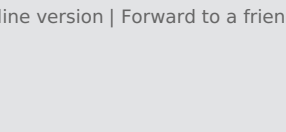
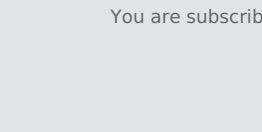
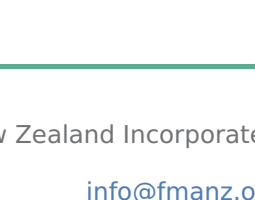
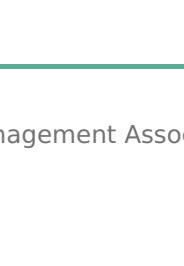
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