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EVENTS CALENDAR

WASMA AGM

14 SEPTEMBER

Venue: Curtin University
139 St Georges Tce
Time: 5-7pm

Register: admin@wasma.com.au

MINING, INNOVATION AND COLLABORATION (MIC) NIGHT

This is a collaboration with Curtin University and leaders from industry to launch the six new micro-credential courses covering the foundations of modern mining.

29 SEPTEMBER

Venue: Curtin University 137
St Georges Tce
Time: 5.30-7.30pm

Register: events.humanitix.com/wasm-alumni-mic-night-curtin-university-micro-credential-course-launch

WASMA NETWORKING EVENT AND MENTORING PROGRAM WRAP

13 OCTOBER

Venue: Small Print – Print Hall
Time: 5.30-7.30pm

Register: events.humanitix.com/wasma-networking-event-and-mentoring-program-wrap

WASMA SANDVIK ANNUAL GALA

6 NOVEMBER

Venue: WA Museum, Boola Bardip
Time: 7pm til late

Tickets: events.humanitix.com/wasma-sandvik-annual-gala

WASMA KEEPING IN TOUCH

1 DECEMBER

Venue: Celtic Club
Time: 4-6pm

Register: events.humanitix.com/wasma-keeping-in-touch

The strength of the WASM Alumni comes from its own people. We are fortunate that so many of these people are willing to maintain the integrity of this community by attending events and supporting programs as well as other Alumni members.

WASM Alumni members continue to step forward to join our Council and Sub-Committees, generously sharing their time and expertise. Often these people give many years of service to WASMA and we are incredibly grateful for their contribution.

I would personally like to thank Jade Singleton, Marie Forsyth and Jacob Sammut who recently finished their terms on the WASMA Council. Jade served on the Council for six years including in the positions of Vice-President and Treasurer. Marie served for two years on the Events, Media and Marketing Sub-Committee. Jacob served on the Kalgoorlie Branch, including as Chair.

In this newsletter we also acknowledge past President Raleigh Finlayson who was awarded WASMA Life Membership for his service. He was presented with the award at the WASMA & WIMWA Diggers Sundowner in August.

The Diggers Sundowner is always a great opportunity to connect with alumni, WASM students and industry contacts, and this year was no different. Thank you to all of our sponsors Advanced Mining Production Systems (AMPS), AngloGold Ashanti, BASF, Bellevue Gold Limited, Howden Australia, KPMG, Northern Star Resources and Sandvik. Special mention to The Smoking Guns band including WASM alum Peter Cook, who entertained everyone into the evening.

There are several events coming up including a launch of Curtin University and The University of Queensland's six new micro-credential courses covering the foundations

of modern mining on 29 September. This forms part of the Mining, Innovation and Collaboration (MIC) series.

A networking and Mentoring Program Wrap event will be held on 13 October and the Annual Gala will be held at the WA Museum on 6 November. I hope to see you at one (or more) of these events.

Following our re-branding exercise, WASMA recently launched a new website. Make sure you check it out at www.wasma.com.au to get the latest updates on the Alumni.

Our new Sponsors and Partners Guide will be available shortly. Please get in touch if you would like to partner with WASMA in 2022. Each of our valued Sponsors and Partners enables WASMA to continue its activities and we are very thankful to them for their ongoing support.

Among the many activities our sponsors support are the resources camps which attract the next generation of mining professionals. In a recent call out for the Focus on Mining camp for students in Years 10-12, there were more than 540 entries and 370 completed applications. Clearly the interest in this sector remains strong.

The WASMA Council continues to lookout for new members to join its Sub-Committees, if you would like to get involved with the direction of the Alumni, meet new people and re-connect with others, please email: admin@wasma.com.au. We hope to have representation from all disciplines across the Alumni. ■

BEST WISHES

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WASMA ALUMNI PRESIDENT



RALEIGH FINLAYSON RECOGNISED WITH WASMA LIFE MEMBERSHIP

When Raleigh Finlayson put his hand up to join the WASM Alumni (WASMA) Council in 2015, his primary reason for doing so was to make up for a lost opportunity of not being overly involved in WASM activities during his university days.

Little did he know that he would serve on the Council for five years, two of those as President and ultimately be awarded the highest level of recognition with the Association – Life Membership.

Raleigh was presented with Life Membership at the WASMA & WIMWA Diggers Sundowner in Kalgoorlie on 3 August. The award recognises the remarkable role Raleigh played in the success of the Alumni, initially as Vice President and then as President and his enormous contribution to WASMA, the WA School of Mines: Minerals, Energy and Chemical Engineering (WASM:MECE) and the resources industry.

While Raleigh may have missed some of his own student experience, it was while working with graduates in 2010 at Saracen Mineral Resources that he saw the importance of having strong student cohorts coming through WASM. He realised that he could contribute to this through WASMA.

“The graduates made up a significant number of the small workforce we had at that stage,” he said. “I really got to know them personally, like who their family and friends were, and I really enjoyed that.”

“I saw the importance of making sure the school was strong for the Alumni. To make sure the school was maintained, there needed to be a focus on students to keep the school strong.”



Building a solid student base became Raleigh's drive for joining the Council, but he is also particularly proud of the work the Council has done to ensure a robust alignment between Curtin University and the Alumni.

"Bill Beament did a great job with this alignment and former Curtin Vice-Chancellor Debbie Terry was a great supporter of the Alumni," Raleigh said.

"There had been some unnecessary angst between the two, but it was clear that a strong connection between Curtin, WASM and the Alumni was in the best interests of all. What's good for WASM, is good for Curtin and the industry."

Under Raleigh's leadership, significant changes occurred with this relationship and resulted in a formal working agreement with Curtin. Curtin's decision to incorporate additional resource related studies into WASM:MECE reflected the high esteem Curtin held of WASM:MECE and WASMA.

When it comes to bringing students into the school, Raleigh, along with his companies Saracen and Northern Star Resources, has been instrumental in supporting resources camps through the Focus on Mining Camps for high school students and the Engineering First Year (EFY) camp for Curtin engineering students. The EFY camp has now expanded to include other related disciplines.

The camps continue to prove to be an extremely successful tool for introducing students to the resources industry and to study through WASM:MECE.

"We had a precarious situation when small numbers of graduates were coming through and there was a big mining boom coming," he said.

"While these camps are very effective, we still have a big gap in creating awareness with Year 10 students who are choosing their careers and related subjects."

"There had been a negative perception around mining, we needed to turn that around by getting them into Kalgoorlie, seeing the industry, the facilities and meeting WASM students."

Raleigh said the new curriculum, which WASMA was involved in developing, had been a really good step forward. He said that WASM:MECE measured up well against the Colorado School of Mines which is ranked number one in the world for mineral and mining engineering. Curtin University sits in second place.

While no longer a member of the WASMA Council, Raleigh's contribution is still evident. He remains active in the WASMA community and continues to support initiatives which benefit the broader resources industry and general community. He said there were many opportunities for graduates to get involved with WASMA including the many different events, programs such as the Mentoring Program and of course joining the Council.

Congratulations and thank you Raleigh for your outstanding contribution to WASMA, WASM:MECE and the wider community. ■



Congratulations to Matt Bennetto who was recently named a WASMA Associate Member. Associate Membership is given to people who have had a significant association with WASM and WASMA.

Matt has been a strong advocate for WASM and WASMA over many years, particularly through his work with Linkforce, which preferentially employs WASM graduates. His advocacy includes educational initiatives such as outreach and educational support.

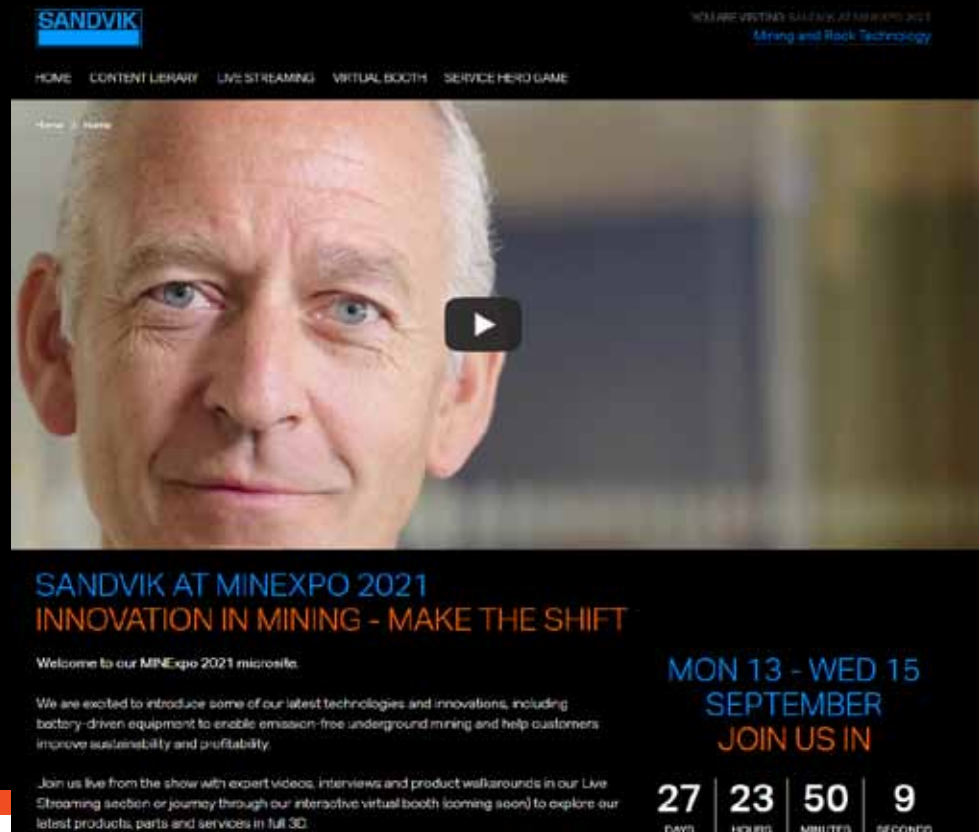
Matt also made the Linkforce offices available to record the WASMA Podcasts, he is always welcoming guests with open arms.

We are sure this connection will continue as Matt embarks on his new business Paste Services International (PSI).

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LAUNCHES MICROSITE FOR MINEXPO INTERNATIONAL®

2021



SANDVIK MINING AND ROCK SOLUTIONS HAS LAUNCHED A MICROSITE FOR MINEXPO INTERNATIONAL® 2021, DESIGNED TO PROVIDE A RICH DIGITAL EXPERIENCE FOR CUSTOMERS WHO ARE NOT ABLE TO ATTEND MINING'S LARGEST TRADESHOW.

Drawing on Sandvik's successful "Innovation in Mining Virtual Event" last September, the rocktechnology.sandvik/minexpo microsite will enable those who will not be in Las Vegas to share the MINExpo INTERNATIONAL® 2021 experience. During the countdown to MINExpo, the first iteration of the microsite features a welcome video from Henrik Ager, President of Sandvik Mining and Rock Solutions, and a content library containing videos, photos and information about many of the products, parts and services that Sandvik will display at the show. The microsite also features a preliminary schedule of interviews that will be livestreamed from the show floor to the Sandvik Mining and Rock Solutions LinkedIn, Facebook and YouTube channels and collected on the microsite throughout MINExpo.

As soon as the show opens in Las Vegas at 9am Pacific Daylight Time on September 13, additional exciting microsite features will go live, including an interactive virtual booth. Visitors will be able to explore a 3D version of Sandvik's 20,200-square-foot (1,876-square-meter) Las Vegas exhibit. Clickable hotspots in the 360-degree rotatable virtual booth will include introductory videos for each product division and other related content.

During the show (September 13-15), visitors to the microsite will be able to demonstrate their aftermarket knowledge by playing an online version of the Service Hero game that Sandvik has developed to introduce its new digital offering to tradeshow attendees. The microsite will also feature live chat functionality throughout MINExpo, with local resources in several major mining markets on hand to answer questions.

First-time visitors will complete a simple registration form to access the microsite and their information will be remembered for future visits from the same browser. The microsite is available in English, Chinese, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish. ■

2021 MENTORING PROGRAM

As the 2021 Mentoring Program nears the end, we take a look at some of the responses from our mentees and mentors which were recorded midway through the program.

“ My mentor helped with suggestions of programs that I can enrol in to improve my knowledge of the mining industry. She was very helpful. ”



“ My mentor is enthusiastic and keen to help out. Her open and honest communication makes things easy to organise meetings and set goals. Her industry experience is vast and has a lot to help out with. She is a good match to my goals. ”

“ My mentee has looked to use the program as a means of expanding her knowledge base, as well as for guidance on actions and helping to set near and mid-term goals. ”

“ My mentee has been open and honest in discussing his career goals and expectations for mentoring. Our first session went well and I think he is acting on the advice in his way, so looking forward to our next catch up. ”

“ Great second session, my mentee had made inroads on some of the action items from the first session. He also came prepared and had well considered questions. ”



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THANK YOU ALSO TO THE MENTORING PROGRAM SUB-COMMITTEE:
JAYDE WEBB, WARWICK JONES, DARREN STRALOW AND SUANLEE HENG.



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**7PM -
MIDNIGHT**

WASMA

SANDVIK ANNUAL GALA

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FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: ADMIN@WASMA.COM.AU | 7PM-MIDNIGHT



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We value the role we play in connecting people within the Energy industry, connecting the “Next Generation” to inspire their career pathways and connecting people to promote knowledge sharing amongst their peers.

INTRODUCING THE ENERGY CLUB WA

A SIGNIFICANT PROPORTION OF THE WASM ALUMNI IS CONNECTED TO THE ENERGY SECTOR. FOR THIS REASON, WASMA IS DEVELOPING ITS RELATIONSHIP WITH THE ENERGY CLUB WA (ECWA), PREVIOUSLY PETROLEUM CLUB OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

ECWA provides great opportunities for WASM:MECE graduates through monthly events such as industry dinners with keynote speakers, sundowners, plus the annual gala and golf day functions.

It also facilitates the promotion of industry careers to students in years 8 to 10 through the Next Generation Schools Program and supports new entrants to the industry with Introduction to Energy Industry Seminars.

ECWA values the role it plays in connecting people within the energy industry, connecting the “Next Generation” to inspire their career pathways, and connecting people to promote knowledge sharing amongst peers.

The Energy Club Young Professionals (ECYP) aims to provide a platform for students, graduates and individuals who are directly engaged, or vitally related to the energy industry, to

connect and build on their networks and achieve personal development objectives through tailored mentoring with established members of the energy community. The ECYP is open to anyone under the age of 35, graduates and students are encouraged to apply.

ECWA MISSION

To provide a professional platform in which industry stakeholders can unite to facilitate continued growth and sustainability within the sector.

ECWA VISION

To be a prominent organisation providing professional events for the opportunity of forming relationships and meaningful connections that support, enrich and inspire both professionally and personally.

We will provide updates on how WASMA and ECWA are working together. You can also find out more about ECWA at: www.energyclubwa.org.au

NETWORKING + MENTORING PROGRAM EVENT

JULY





AUGUST



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