

JULY 2010

Message on behalf of Chapter President

Dear Members

June has proved a real growth month for us in terms of membership and also in numbers seeking RegPM accreditation. We now have 113 members, 31 of whom are at various stages of the RegPM accreditation process. This is a very positive trend. To further build upon this, our July event featured Mike King, one of our Chapter Councillors, sharing his personal journey and experiences in relation to his CPPD. If anyone would like a copy of the information that Mike handed out, please contact Kerry Hilliard, our Chapter Co-ordinator, you will find her details towards the end of the newsletter.

A reminder to join us in celebrating our PMAA evening on Friday 27 August 2010. Our theme had to be a sporting one, considering the TCA is our venue, with WIN TV sports journalist Sophie Kuryl as one of our guest presenters. Our guest speaker is Dr Elizabeth Shannon whose project won Project of the Year in our Tasmanian PMAA last year and went on to be judged at the national level. Elizabeth will share her experiences with us. We will also be joined by Markus Meier-Lindner, the AIPM National Business Development Manager. Please refer to the information in this newsletter and give serious consideration to making up a table for the evening. It is the highlight of our year in project management.

In September our monthly event will feature a presentation on the positive impact of the Building Education Revolution (BER) program, including a Principal's perspective on what it has meant for Tasmanian Schools. On 5 November 2010 we will again celebrate International Project Management Day.

At the National level, the AIPM Board of Directors met in Brisbane at the end of May. It was a very productive and collegial meeting. The 2010/11 Budget was approved and the new Strategic plan progressed.

In August nominations will be called for Chapter President and Chapter Councillors who serve for a term of two years. Chapter Presidents may only serve for two terms, according to the constitution, so sadly I will be saying my goodbyes as your Chapter President. My term will finish at the AGM in October in Darwin. I strongly encourage you to consider nominating or re-nominating for Chapter Council positions, it is very rewarding.

A reminder that the National Conference is being held at the Darwin Convention centre on 10-13 October. The theme is "Project management, creating a future." I can strongly recommend the value of our national conference and do urge you to consider attending.

In closing, a huge thank you to our loyal Sponsors for PMAA; Hydro Tasmania, the Tasmanian Government and KPMG. I also wish to thank GHD Pty Ltd for their ongoing support and involvement in our broader activities. Finally thank you to YOU, our members, for your ongoing support, as always please contact us if we can be of help in any way.

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Project Management Achievement Awards 2010

Tasmanian 2010 Project of the Year Announcement

The 2010 Project Management Achievement Awards (PMAA) will recognise, honour and promote outstanding achievements in program and project management in categories for Projects and Individuals. Locally, the awards night for the AIPM's 2010 PMAA is a great way to celebrate success in some of the outstanding projects undertaken within Tasmania in the last 12 months.

The night will be memorable so don't miss out!!

When: Friday 27 August 2010
Time: 7.00pm for 7.30pm seating
Where : Churchill Room
Tasmanian Cricket Association - Bellerive Oval, Bellerive
Please note that access is via the main gate at the venue and then through the glass self-opening doors
Cost: \$93.50 per head, or \$833.25 for a table of 10 (GST inclusive)

Come and enjoy a great night with fantastic fun, food and wine in a magnificent setting, and to hear the announcement of the Project of the Year 2010. Book online at www.aipm.com.au by 17 August 2010.

Book a table and invite your clients along to demonstrate your organisation's commitment to project management and/or invite your staff as a way of recognising their professionalism in undertaking their projects. Guests will get an opportunity to look around the Cricket Museum during pre-dinner drinks, with the sporting theme continuing throughout the including our guest presenter, Sophie Kuryl, WIN TV journalist and sports reporter.

Dress is business attire, but if you want to go formal – go for it!!

Many thanks to our generous sponsors:



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National Business Development Manager to visit the State

While Tasmania might be small in numbers, we have an excellent membership base per capita, well up with other states. This ensures that we are a strong and contributing part of the national AIPM body. As a reflection of this, Markus Meier-Lindner the National Business Development Manager for AIPM, will be spending several days in Tasmania in August. Markus is keen to meet with our members and find out first-hand their perception of the AIPM, and how they believe we can improve the services that are provided to members. On Wednesday 25th and Thursday 26th August Markus will be hoping to meet with our minor and major corporate members, as well as with industry groups. Please look out for invitations arriving in the next couple of weeks, and come along to share insights with others in your industry. For those who are unable to catch up with Markus on either day he will also be present at the PMAA event on Friday 27th August and he would welcome the opportunity to chat with members and guests on the night.

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Request from AIPM – National Office

The AIPM is appealing for member participation in the survey “[Key Issues in Project Risk Management for the next 3 – 5 Years](#)” to develop the profession’s knowledge of project risks – your contribution to this survey is keenly sought as without adequate responses this will not reflect the broader membership.

This survey is available online at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2010-risks>

The study aims to establish the key project risk issues that project managers need to manage over the next 3 to 5 years.

The research is promoted and hosted by the Knowledge and Research Council of AIPM and designed by Associate Professor Dieter Fink of Edith Cowan University. The project has been approved by the university’s Human Ethics Committee.

A key issue is defined as one that poses a challenge (e.g. requires special attention) for the project manager during the next 3 to 5 years. The challenge can be brought about by one or more factors that will affect the success of project. For example, a risk item can be perceived to be a key issue due to the:

- increasing importance of the issue to the success of a project
- not understanding the nature of the issue due to its complexity
- continued difficulty in managing the issue
- changes expected in the nature of the issue

Pre-testing has indicated that it should take about 15-20 minutes to complete the questionnaire. Your participation is highly appreciated.

Article from Mike King – Tasmanian Chapter Councillor

Professional Competency Standards for Project Management

Previously AIPM had only required a renewal of registration at one of three levels of certification to allow members to retain their Reg PM certification. In 2007/08, AIPM developed Professional Competency Standards for Project Management, which required a gap assessment of a 50% assessment and 50% Continuous Professional Development (CPD) for previous certification to meet the new standards.

Why did AIPM change the standards?

The original PM competency standards were developed for AQF 4, 5 and 6 during the mid 1990s and approved as the National Competency Standards for Project Management (NCSPM) in 1996 and reviewed with only minor changes in 2004.

The AIPM National Board considered it important that AIPM’s standards be maintained to meet current practices and reflect professional expectations. AIPM continues to:

- update the standards to represent contemporary best practices;
- lift the bar for higher levels of Project Manager performance particularly at the senior management levels;
- ensure more consistent assessment practices.

What is the difference between the old to new standards?

Changes have been made to improve the rigor and depth of assessment and AIPM certification against professional project management practices.

In particular, the standards make the difference in each function between:

- the overarching methodology, e.g. an agreed risk management methodology;

- the management plan for each function describing how each function is planned and managed during the project, e.g. a risk management plan; and
- the baseline action plans for each function, e.g. a risk register or risk action plans.

At the Project Manager Level (was RPM → now CPPM): we also need to stress the fact that we manage people, processes & systems.

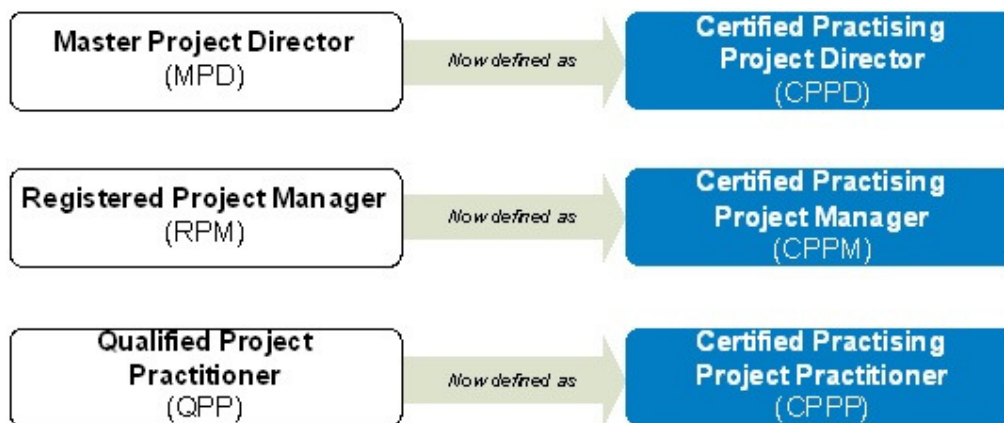
Most of the evidence requirements will be focused on Integration evidence around Planning (e.g. evidence of Scope Management Planning, Time Management Planning, Cost Management Planning, Risk Management Planning, etc.) as this is where the increased granularity of competency comes in.

At the Project Director Level (was MPD → now CPPD):

Most of the evidence requirements will be focused on Program Integration evidence around Planning, as well as team management and leadership.

We will also be ensuring, through structured discussion and questioning, that a CPPD candidate recognises the need to create a program team culture, leadership culture and communications culture, and to integrate that program culture vertically through business and project levels.

What are the new post-nominals?



Continuous Professional Development (CPD)

CPD points are required to make up the 50% gap as previously mentioned to gain recertification. If you have recently completed your certification for the first time, you will need to begin accumulating points on the member CPD activity log on the AIPM website. CPD is the process by which a professional person maintains the quality and relevance of their skills throughout their working life.

Essentially, once certification achieved, obtaining Continuous Professional Development (CPD) points is the only approved process by which a certified person can maintain their certification.

CPPP – 40 points over three years

CPPM – 60 points over three years

CPPD – 80 points over three years

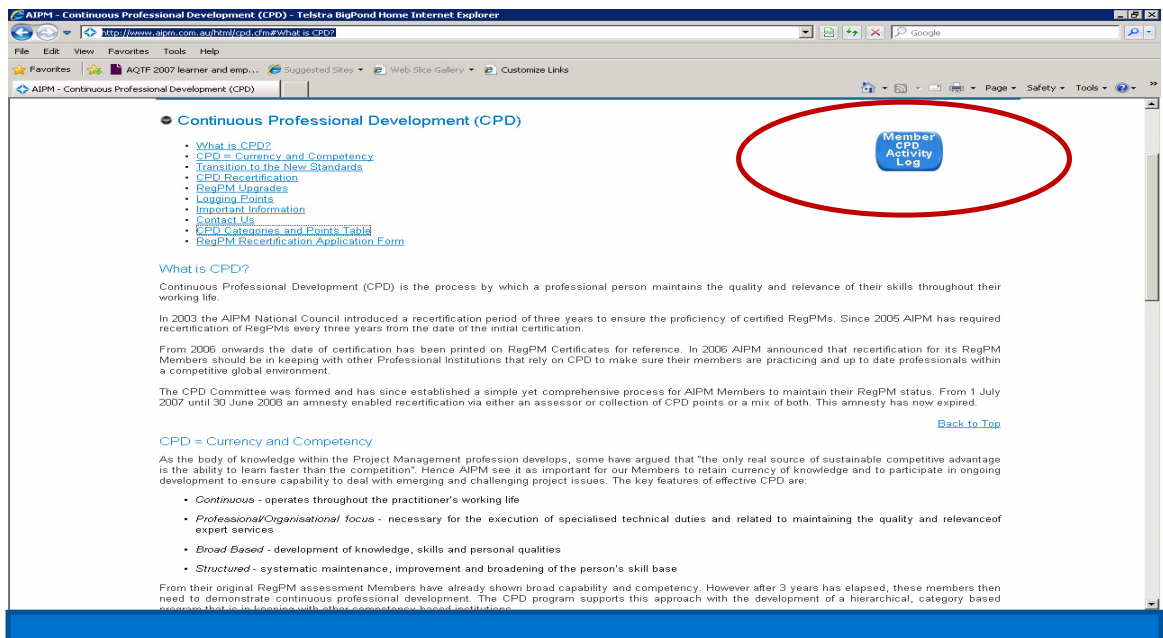
You cannot achieve points solely from your day to day work activities but by an active approach to continuing professional development. This can be achieved by:

- Various activities including but not limited to in-house Community of Practice Workshops, voluntary PM services to Community Project, Project Management qualification etc. For further details refer to www.aipm.com.au/resource/CPD%20Categories%20and%20Points%20Table.pdf;
- Completion of courses linked to PM standards; and
- Certification in PM or related methodologies or PMI's PMP.

What you need to do:

- Log on to the AIPM website and go to the CPD page
- Log into the member area
- Go to the CPD member summary and add an activity
- Select the activity and click GO
- On the next page populate with the information, attach a copy of the certificate or evidence as required
- Scroll down and hit the SUBMIT button

The CPD screen will look like the following screen snapshot.



Welcome to New Members:

Andrew Hennessy, Rick Monty, Mick Bendor, Leigh Kite, Rod Willits, Brendon Jessup, Richard Lim, Matthew Muir, Robert Waterman, Andrew Smith, Matthew McIver and Mark Flaherty.



Upcoming Events in 2010

We have a full program planned for the rest of 2010, the dates of the events are included below so that you can add them to your diary.

Our next lunchtime seminar is on 16th September 2010 with guest presenters – Andrew Finch, Department of Education; Ross Smith from Treasury and Finance and Henry Kuryl, Principal Kingston Primary School. The information flyer will be up on the web around the second week in August.

Remainder of 2010 Events:

27 th August	PMAA gala dinner
16 th September	Lunchtime seminar
10 th to 13 th October	National Conference
28 th October	Lunchtime seminar
18 th November	International PM Day
7 th December	Christmas Celebration – Peppermint Bay II Cruise (more info on this soon)

And finally, a word from the Tas Chapter Coordinator:

Hi to all – it's hard to believe that we are already planning our Christmas function for 2010! The plan is for a 2½ hr river cruise from 5.30 – 7.30pm, Tuesday 7th December. Even though it is still in the early planning phase please mark it out in your diaries and wait for more information.

We have, as you will have noticed above, 12 new members who have come on board since April. This is fantastic for our Tasmanian Chapter.

Please take time to read up on the article around CPD earlier in this newsletter. This was supplied by Mike King, Chapter Councillor and will be a valuable resource for all members. Mike's full presentation is also available online at www.aipm.com.au – under **Resources > Information Resources > Seminar Support**. The title is "The Leap to Professionalism".

I am looking forward to seeing you at our 16th September event which will be held in the Reception Room at Parliament House. I will be sending out the flyer when all details are finalised.

Regards

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