

# AIPM NEWSLETTER



ISSUE 2 | TAS CHAPTER

MARCH 2003

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

RegPM is one of AIPM's most important products. It is AIPM's certification process, recognising the individual's ability to successfully manage projects to meet the agreed project goals. Assessment is based on a proven track record to manage projects using the 9 project elements described in PMBOK. In other words it is competency based.

Compare this with other project management bodies around the world whose certification system is based on knowledge. Admittedly they are not easy exams, but there are plenty of books around that give a guide on the types of questions that are asked, and how they should be answered.

Thus obtaining AIPM RegPM certification is a valuable asset to add to your CV. It provides a prospective employer/client with a surety that you have a proven ability.

The RegPM system has three levels of certification: Qualified Project Practitioner (QPP), Registered Project Manager (RegPM) and Master Project Director (MPD). These three levels align with the National Competency Standards for Project Management levels 4, 5 and 6 respectively. These roles that these levels more commonly align with are: Project Team member, Project Manager and Program Manager (respectively).

The Tasmanian Chapter now has 121 members and I am pleased to say we are still increasing in size. With this increase we are able to offer a lot more to our members than in the past.

Over the coming months, some of our members who have already obtained RegPM will be running workshops to assist others who want to obtain their RegPM. For more information on RegPM

please see the article on Page 3 of this newsletter.

Meanwhile on the local front, this month saw the first lunch time seminar held in Hobart. The topic was Risk Management and the speaker was the National President of the Australian Safety Institute, Mr David Skegg. The event was extremely well attended, so much so that we will hold another seminar later in the year on a similar topic.

Lastly, we would like to hear from anyone who would like to be involved in the running of AIPM. The more in the team the more we can achieve.

Stuart Hughson, President

TAS Chapter

### INSIDE THIS ISSUE

- 1 [President's Message](#)
- 2 [Where are our Members?](#)  
[Welcome to our Newest Members](#)  
[Member of the Month](#)  
[Your Word](#)
- 3 [TAS Chapter Goals for 2003](#)  
[AIPM National News](#)  
[2003 Annual Conference](#)
- 4 [Project Management Achievement Awards 2003](#)  
[RegPM Program](#)
- 5 [AIPM in Northern Tasmania](#)  
[TAS Chapter Contact Details](#)



<http://www.aipm.com.au>

## WHERE ARE OUR MEMBERS?

The table below shows where our members are. It should be noted that those companies that have more than 6 members can apply for corporate membership thereby providing discounted renewal fees. Visit the AIPM website ([www.aipm.com.au](http://www.aipm.com.au)) for more information.

Company	No.
ABB	1
Aurora Energy	2
Australian Antarctic Division	1
Australian Red Cross Blood Service	2
CPM Group	1
Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu	1
Department of Education	8
Department of Health and Human Services	18
Department of Infrastructure, Energy & Resources	9
Dept. of Justice & Industrial Relations	1
Department of Premier and Cabinet	12
Department of Economic Development	4
Dept. of Tourism, Heritage & the Arts	1
Department of Treasury & Finance	4
Dept Primary Industries, Water and Environment	6
Devonport City Council	1
Duke Energy	1
GHD Pty Ltd	11
Hazell Brothers Group	1
Hobart City Council	2
Hobart Water	1
Hydro Tasmania	2
Local Government Association of Tasmania	1
Pitt & Sherry	1
Serve-Ag Pty Ltd	1
Sinclair Knight Merz	2
Tas Span	1
Tasmania Police	5
Telstra	1
Transcend	4
University of Tasmania	1
Verdant Programming	1
Unknown	14
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>121</b>

## WELCOME!!

The council and current members of AIPM TAS Chapter would like to welcome:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Organisation</i>	<i>Membership Grade</i>
Simon Tarte	Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu	Member
Georgina Salier	Aurora Energy	Member
Adrian Stephenson	Aurora Energy	Associate
Fiona Howroyd	DIER	Member
Daryl Henthorn	Serve-Ag	Associate

## MEMBER OF THE MONTH

The TAS Chapter runs a Member of the Month award. Each month we select a member who we feel is worthy of recognition for achievement in the profession of Project Management. The winner each month will receive a gift from AIPM, but more importantly will be given the opportunity to have their profile added to the AIPM website. We will also make mention in this publication.

This month's Member of the Month recipient is Maria Skillern. Her details will be on the AIPM website shortly in the Profiles section. She was awarded this in recognition of her excellent PM skills in managing the Project Management Achievement Awards. The AIPM National President commented that the Tasmanian dinner last year was an extremely successful event.

We welcome your nominations of yourself, your friend or your colleague. Please email your nomination to the TAS Secretary with details of why you think that person is worthwhile of the Member of the Month award. We will follow up in due course for additional information if required.

## YOUR WORD

We would appreciate your contribution to this newsletter. Articles of 150 – 200 words that succinctly relate a topical project management issue are invited from all members. Forward your articles to the Chapter Secretary for inclusion in future issues of this newsletter.



<http://www.aipm.com.au>



## TAS CHAPTER GOALS FOR 2003

**Recognition:** Increase the recognition in Tasmania of project management as a profession and of AIPM as the body representing professional project managers in Australia.

**Membership Growth:** Target of 10 new individual members and 1 corporate member by end of 2003.

**Professional Development:** Provide a range of professional development opportunities to suit members' needs and to help raise awareness about the profession of project management and what professional project managers do.

**Services:** Home Page, improved membership application and approvals procedures, more interesting Newsletter.

## AIPM NATIONAL NEWS

A new initiative being developed at the National level is an individual awards program. Similar to the Project Management Achievement Awards that recognise excellence by a Project Team in the delivery of a project, the individual awards recognise individual excellence in project management.

As with the RegPM process there will an award for best Team Member, Project Manager and Program Manager/Director.

The program is being developed such that companies run their own recognition program selecting the best in each category using their own (or AIPM's) selection criteria. Each company then submits the winners details to each AIPM state chapter for AIPM to select the best in the state. State winners then will go into the National final. The current timeline has the new program being rolled out in 2004. Watch this space for more news.



The 2003 annual conference will be held in Alice Springs from Sunday 12th October to Tuesday 14th October 2003.

The Conference Program and *Poster Exhibition* will provide excellent coverage on a range of relevant issues for those involved in project management. In conjunction with the conference, the winner of the 2003 *Project of the Year* award will be announced at the conference dinner on Monday 13th October 2003.

For more information visit the website at [http://www.aipm.com.au/html/aipm\\_conferences.cfm](http://www.aipm.com.au/html/aipm_conferences.cfm). Early bird registrations close 30 June 2003. Members can save \$300 by getting in early.

**FOR SALE**

**THIS PRIME ADVERTISING SPACE**

Don't miss this great opportunity to advertise your services to Project Management decision-makers in all industry and government sectors in TAS.

\$1,500 for 11 Issues

For further information telephone the AIPM TAS Chapter Secretary on **6233 2480**



## PROJECT MANAGEMENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS (PMAA) 2003

Planning is underway for the PMAA 2003 being held at the Hobart Function & Conference Centre in Hobart on Saturday, 6 September 2003. The PMAA are an important event for not only the AIPM and it's members but also the broader project management community. They provide a benchmark for, and recognition of, excellence in the project management profession. The PMAA 2003 promises to be a great night, so come along, let your hair down and celebrate the success of our project management colleagues!

Contact the Tasmanian PMAA Project Manager listed in this newsletter for details regarding PMAA attendance, sponsorship information and submission guidelines. **Submissions close 1 July 2003**, so be quick and get your submissions in for a chance to be the winner of PMAA 2003!

## Industry Best Practice Begins With You!



Lead the move toward increased professionalism in Project Management by enrolling in the:

### *Registered Project Manager award program*

Upon successful completion of the program, your Project Management competencies will be formally recognised and you will have improved your knowledge and skills.

The RegPM program enables assessment of the underpinning knowledge and understanding of

Project Managers in any industry against National Competency Standards. RegPM is invaluable for those who need qualifications to improve their employment prospects. Project Management is becoming a profession and major companies are demonstrating a preference for professionals with the RegPM guarantee of best practice application of project management.

Currently 554 people are enrolled in the RegPM program in Australia whilst 621 are registered as having achieved one of the RegPM levels. The breakdown by state is as follows:

Chapter	RegPM's in process	Chapter Membership	% of Chapter membership
NSW	156	1136	14%
Vic	102	722	14%
Qld	197	719	27%
SA	35	217	16%
WA	22	428	5%
<b>Tas</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>4%</b>
NT	13	186	7%
ACT	24	229	10%
Total	554	3,758	15%

The competitive advantages available to TAS RegPMs are obvious, with so few practitioners formally registered.

The TAS Chapter is assisting AIPM members to become Registered Project Managers by running RegPM Workshops. The Workshops provide a forum for advice and support with preparing the necessary documentation.

A new series of RegPM Workshop meetings will commence in April. More details on these will be forwarded in early April.

More about the RegPM process, including application details, can be found on the AIPM website at <http://www.aipm.com.au/html/regpm.cfm>.



<http://www.aipm.com.au>

## AIPM IN NORTHERN TASMANIA

We have recently received requests from northern Tasmanian members to hold some events in the north. Although there are no solid dates planned, we have a guest speaker lined up and will advise in due course.

It is noted that we now have 14 members in northern Tasmania. This is more than we started the Tasmania chapter with and therefore the opportunity exists for a sub-group to form to further Project Management and AIPM in the north. It will allow increased activity and an improved contact base for northern Tasmanians.

If you are interested in progressing this idea please contact the State President, Stuart Hughson, who will provide any necessary assistance to get things rolling.

## TAS CHAPTER CONTACT DETAILS

### President

Stuart Hughson  
Ph: 6221 3716  
Email: [shughson@skm.com.au](mailto:shughson@skm.com.au)

### Secretary

Maria Skillern  
Ph: 6233 2480  
Email: [maria.skillern@dpac.tas.gov.au](mailto:maria.skillern@dpac.tas.gov.au)

### Treasurer

Russell Dowd  
Ph: 6238 2928  
Email: [dowdr@mailnet.hcc.tas.gov.au](mailto:dowdr@mailnet.hcc.tas.gov.au)

### APM Journal Committee Representative

Catherine Willis  
Ph: 6230 6274  
Email: [cwillis@arcbs.redcross.org.au](mailto:cwillis@arcbs.redcross.org.au)

### PMAA Project Manager

Maria Skillern  
Ph: 6233 2480  
Email: [maria.skillern@dpac.tas.gov.au](mailto:maria.skillern@dpac.tas.gov.au)

### Membership Representative

Stuart Hughson  
Ph: 6221 3716  
Email: [shughson@skm.com.au](mailto:shughson@skm.com.au)