



NEWS FROM
THE SECRETARY

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2016



Dear Members

Here we are again at the end of the year, and boy has it just flown by!

I hope you are all looking forward to Christmas and the New Year, and hopefully all taking at least a few days' break to get recharged for a busy 2017.

NEWS

Standards

Review of Safety Standards for Solid Fuel Appliances

The Australian Building Code Board (ABCB) has completed their scrutinising of the draft of the revised **Standard AS/NZS2918**. The public comment process is likely to start by end of January or early February 2017. Once the draft is open for everyone, NZHHA will email the draft and related links to all the manufacturer and installer members of NZHHA. This will be a final opportunity to comment and make submission to the Standards committee for anyone who uses this standard or likely to be affected. NZHHA members will have a choice to submit their constructive comments individually or through our common NZHHA's industry submission or both.

Review of Safety Standard for Pellet Heaters

The review process of **Standard AS/NZ 5077** has started but before it can go out for public comment another meeting is to be held, most likely in February 2017.

PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE

An end of year reminder to all our members:

- Each NZHHA member is required to provide annually evidence of their current public liability insurance cover, including name of insurer, policy details (including renewal dates) and the amount of coverage.

Please expect to be contacted in the New Year if you have not provided this information already.

MEMBER INFORMATION

- Installer Certificates are in stock. They are only available in packs of 100 with the cost being \$105.00 (incl GST and postage)
- NZS2918:2001 Domestic Solid Fuel Burning Appliances- Installation Standards can be purchased for \$168.00
- Replacement Solid Fuel Appliance Installation Technician Training Manuals can be purchased for \$35.00 (including postage). This is the manual issued at first time attendance of SFAIT Training. Simply email info@homeheat.co.nz or call 04 476 6011
- Certified Technicians would have recently received their new look SFAIT cards. New cards from 1st July 2017 will include a photo for identification purposes. All technicians are asked in the first half of 2017 to provide a passport photo to the National Secretary. Email to info@homeheat.co.nz or post to PO Box 11-669, Manners Street, Wellington 6142

CONFERENCE 2017

Mark the following date in your calendar for the 2017 NZHHA Conference

21-22 September 2017

The venue is yet to be confirmed but wherever it is in New Zealand it would be great if you could join us. For the best deals look out for early bird tickets!!

TRAINING

2017 TRAINING

Introduction to Solid Fuel Heating (Intro)

- Monday 23 January - Nelson
- Thursday 23 February - Napier
- Thursday 16 March - Dunedin

Solid Fuel Appliance Installation Technician (SFAIT) (and refresher)

- Tuesday 24 January - Nelson
- Friday 24 February - Napier
- Friday 17 March - Dunedin

More dates for 2017 will follow shortly

CHRISTMAS BREAK

The Secretary's Office will be closing over the Christmas and New Year period. Nicola will be available to assist you until 5pm on Thursday 22 December, and will be available again on Monday 9 January 2016.

From all of us here at NZHHA we want to wish you and your family a very Safe and Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! We look forward to working with you again in 2017.

Thank you.

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