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MinEx starts rolling out more regional workshops

I'm delighted to say more MinEx workshops - designed to help you manage risks in your operation - are now confirmed to run, with some acknowledged support from WorkSafe.

The first is **Wednesday 13 June - Palmerston North**

Then **Thursday 14 June - Waipukurau**

Wednesday 27 June - Gisborne

Thursday 28 June - Whakatane.

Please lock in these dates which will all run from 3.00pm - 6.00pm, followed by refreshments and general discussion, venues to be confirmed.

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- Risk Management
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- Plant
- Training & Competency
- Emergency response.

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You will be provided with a simple HSMS template with forms to use in your operation.

Please support these workshops. They are designed to give you all the information you need to develop your own management system and improve health and safety in your workplace.

If these first four are well-supported it will reinforce MinEx's plans to take them to small towns all over the country.

Until then, stay safe and enjoy all that this Train Brain has to offer.

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Choosing a good training provider

At last month's WorkSafe forum, IOQ Australia's CEO Paul Sutton outlined a number of steps to be taken in choosing a good training provider.

- **Ensure you have sufficient budget to get the training**
- **Check the qualifications of each facilitator to see if they have both experience and educational qualifications**
- **Confirm if the provider is in sound financial shape (IOQ Australia lost a bundle when a provider went bust)**



- **Ensure the provider understands the extractives sector and is also able to work with adult learners**
- **Set the expectations for the training for you and your staff**
- **Get a total cost, in writing**
- **Ask for a comprehensive list of references.**

WorkSafe's deputy Chief Inspector Dave Bellett told the Palmerston North forum that quarries and mines did not have to accept sub-standard training. If concerns are raised and no notice is taken by the provider, then elevate the issues to the New Zealand Qualifications Authority which oversees course standards.

Good training from the bootstraps up

The variability of current training and ways to address this was a theme picked up by several speakers at last month's WorkSafe forum for trainers and supervisors in Palmerston North.

Speaking from a training provider's perspective, Robbie Paul from Connexis outlined how his industry training organisation for infrastructure provides a life skills recruitment option for its companies. The Transition to Work programme takes candidates from the couch to employment in an 11-day residential programme based at the Waiouru Military Camp. The programme includes essential life skills, compliance and technical training needed on the job. Starting at 5.30am each morning, candidates are embedded with routine, structure, positive work habits and respect as they learn the necessary skills for employment in the Industry.



Connexis trainees on their 11-day life skills course at Waiouru

Connexis also acknowledges the vast skills and experience of its older, normally unqualified workforce by introducing Recognition of Current Competency toward a Level 4 qualification and Civil Trades Certification. The process includes a pre-assessment of the trainee's experience against the qualification using their career profile and past training records. A two-hour Skype discussion with an evaluator fills any gaps and the qualification and certification are awarded at the same time.



If at first you don't succeed, re-sit!

*And improve your chances of passing your
Oral CoC with a mentor.*

[Contact MinEx](#) today.

MinEx regional workshops

MinEx is coming to a town near you. The first of our regional workshops are

about to kick off.



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Registration is free - 3 hrs formal CPD

To RSVP or to volunteer your place for a venue, contact [MinEx](#) today.

CPD hours available at conferences



As most of you are aware, there is now a requirement for CoC holders to build up formal and informal hours for Continuing Professional Development.

One of the best and easiest ways to do this is to attend conferences - two are upcoming.

CPD hours available at [Minerals Forum](#), Queenstown 29 - 30 May

- 4 hours formal CPD for attending the two days
- 3 hours formal CPD for each of the Forums (total 6 hours):
 - Mine Managers Forum or Aggregates and Industrial Minerals Forum
 - Investment Forum or Coal Users Forum

So you can gain a total of 10 hours for attending the 2018 Minerals Forum.

CPD hours available at [QuarryNZ Conference](#) Hamilton 18 - 20 July

- 4 hrs for the conference
- 2 hrs for each of the 3 CPD Workshops (Total 6 hrs)
- 1 hr for each AGM (IOQ and AQA - total 2 hours)

So you can gain a total of 12 hours for attending the 2018 QuarryNZ conference.

That's a lot of CPD hours even before you add any other benefits of attending the events.

For full details of CPD requirements
and how to earn them
check out this [handy guide](#)



IOQNZ Webinars, seminars and meetings

Here are the webinars IOQNZ have planned over the next few months. A great variety of topics from some very knowledgeable presenters.

Webinars

Geology and Geological Processes - May 4

Guarding and Plant Isolation - May 18

See details of the [webinars here](#).

Seminars

Emergency Management - 6 hours CPD

Course outline:

- Introduction to Emergency Management
- Emergency Management Planning
- Roles and Responsibilities
- Testing Emergency Plans
- Audit and Review.

[Hamilton](#) - 8 May, 9am - 5pm - registrations closing very soon

[Whangarei](#) - 10 May, 9am - 5pm - registrations closing very soon

Effective Leadership for Quarry managers and Supervisors

September - dates and venues to be confirmed.

Meetings

[Auckland Branch Technical Meeting](#) - 8 May, 6.30 - 8.30pm

[Otago / Southland Branch Meeting](#) - 17 May, 6.30 - 9pm

For more information contact [Petrina Torstonson](#)

Upgrade your CoC with Mines Rescue

If you would like to upgrade your CoC to a higher level, talk to Mines Rescue. From B to A Grade, A Grade to First Class Mine Manager, or you can add on specialist CoCs like Ventilation or Mechanical and Electrical if you have a trade background.

In many cases the upgrade from B Grade to A grade is only a small number of units.

Mines Rescue Training opportunities range from distance options, assessment only options if you have the experience and knowledge, and small group training. For more information contact [Colin McDonnell](#) or call (03) 7627828.



Mines Rescue courses

See the schedules below for complete lists.

Prep for CoC Oral Exams

Christchurch - June

If you are in a provincial area and unable to get a prep course before your oral exam, contact Mines Rescue for distance options

Reviewing Emergency Plans - US 28739

Greymouth - May

Christchurch - May

Water and Consents - US 21153, 21155, 21156

Greymouth - May

Christchurch - June

Risk Management - US 26856

Greymouth - July

Christchurch - August

Incident Investigation - US 16686

Auckland - 8 May

Safety Units - US 2401, 3271 & 8922

You will be assessed individually for these units at your work site

Plant Maintenance - US US 22903, 22904 & 22905

Available as either distance learning or RPL/RCC depending on your experience and knowledge.

Mining Legislation Advanced - US 7142*Auckland - June***Establish and Maintain Risk Management Systems - US 28739***Auckland - July**Auckland - August***Surfaces, Benching and Roothing - US 8902/8905/8909***Greymouth - June**Christchurch - July*[North Island Schedule](#)[South Island Schedule](#)[SSE Schedule](#)[Mechanical/Electrical Superintendent Schedule](#)

For more details [visit their new website](#), email [Colin McDonnell](#) or call (03) 7627828.

Keep a note of your CPD hours in an online register. [Download one here](#) or check out the [online register](#)



MITO mining and quarrying training



Visit the [MITO website](#) for details on qualifications and courses you can do through MITO, or [download the fact sheet](#) for more information.

Courses coming up include:

Incident Investigation - US 16686

Dunedin - May 16-17

Auckland - July 19-20

Risk Assessment - US 28983

Dunedin - May 14-15

Auckland - May 24-25

Palmerston North - May 31 - June 1

Human Factors - US 26855

Dunedin - August 2-3

Safety Critical Explosives Knowledge - US 17694 & 21152

Dunedin - May 8-9

CIMS Incident Management - US 17279 & 22445

Auckland - August 16-17

See the [full schedule here](#). Contact MITO on 0800 88 21 21 to enrol.

ACT Safety Courses

ACT Safety run A & B Grade, CPD and Oral

Exam courses all over New Zealand.

Here are the CoC courses scheduled over the next few months.



For A Grade and B Grade courses, see the schedules below.

COC CPD Courses

Explosives - Unit Standard 17694 & 21152*Dunedin - 8-9 May***Oral Exam Preparation***Auckland - 28 June*

Operating & Safety/Leadership/Emergency Management/Legislation - 16hrs CPD

Dunedin - 2 days 7 May and 1 Aug

Auckland - 2 days 18 & 19 June

Risk Management - Unit Standard 28983

Dunedin - 14-15 May

Auckland - 24-25 May

Auckland - 29-30 May

Palmerston North - 31 May - 1 June

Human Factors - Unit Standard 26855

Dunedin - 5-6 June

Dunedin - 2-3 Aug

Incident Investigation - Unit Standards 16686

Dunedin - 16-17 May

Auckland - 14-15 June

Check it out on the [ACT Safety website](#) or download the [CPD and oral exam schedule](#)

For more information, contact Dianne Leaming on 09 270 9592
or dianne@actsafety.co.nz

Tai Poutini Courses

Tai Poutini Polytechnic propose to run the *National Certificate in Extractive Industries (Mining Administration Surface*

Extraction A Grade) Level 5 programmes in:
Greymouth, Gore and Hamilton.

And,



The *National Certificate in Extractive Industries (Mining Administration Surface Extraction B Grade)* Level 5 programmes in: Gore, Greymouth, Palmerston North and Hamilton.

2018 students may be eligible for free fees, for more information visit <http://www.tpp.ac.nz/student-info/fees-free/fees-free-2018/>

Enrolments are now open!

A full schedule of dates can be found [here](#) or contact Nicole Scalmer on 03 769 9645 or nicoles@tpp.ac.nz



If you know of anyone who would like to receive the Train Brain email office@minex.org.nz and we'll help keep their training on track

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