



Welcome to the (almost) spring edition of Train Brain

It was with considerable pride at last month's QuarryNZ conference that I accepted the WorkSafe Chief Inspector's award for MinEx showing strong leadership and commitment to health and safety in our sector.

We have certainly come a long way since I joined MinEx nine years ago and its acknowledgement of our contribution is very welcome.

That said, Chief Inspector Extractives Paul Hunt's conference speech identified how a week earlier, three High Potential Incidents were reported. HPIs only avoid death or serious injury through luck. They included a 17-year-old not wearing a seatbelt when his machine rolled down a bank. Clearly, we as an industry still have some way to go.

Another stark address at QuarryNZ, also covered in this Train Brain, saw Charlene Donald spell out how one in two NZ workers can't read properly or count. Given our extractives workforce largely consists of working men over 50, our stats are likely even higher. If a worker can't read and understand simple safety information, their risk of injury multiplies.

Illiteracy has got worse every year since 2000 and the world has gone digital since. That presents both challenges and opportunities. Charlene refers to MinEx's online Microlearning programme – which uses a lot of graphics – as an example of material that's more understandable by people with lower literacy.

I agree that extractive workplaces should look at introducing literacy and numeracy training done in a user-friendly way. Those who struggle to read and write aren't "dumb"; they just need a pathway which lifts them up and improves your health and safety record and productivity with it.

Another training initiative that will be good for our sector and covered in this newsletter is our Industry Skills Board leading the introduction of Energy and Infrastructure as one of nine new industry-led secondary school subjects. This government initiative will allow our sector the chance to build stronger pathways from classroom to further training, apprenticeships and skilled work.

MinEx board member Mike Higgins from J Swaps Contractors has argued this for years and he will now chair the Extractives Industry Advisory Group to our Energy and Infrastructure Industry Skills Board (of which I am a member.) Mike will be supported by a strong group including fellow MinEx board member Fiona Bartier from Bathurst Resources. Well done to all.

Fiona is the only woman on the eight-member advisory group. That likely reflects a survey done by the Women in Quarrying committee which shows only 167 female employees in administration roles in NZ and 114 females in operations. Some 15 women hold A or B Grade Certificates of Competence and only 21 are in NZQA extractive-specific training.

The Women in Quarrying session at the Invercargill conference asked how it can attract more members – and encourage more women into our industry. The group is now seeking some funding to grow both. That will benefit both women and our industry as a whole as we are simply not viable into the future with an 85% male workforce.

Kicking off this edition, you'll read a summary of the remarkable career of our departing MinEx chair Joe Edwards. Since he worked on health and safety guidance (which Pike River ignored with disastrous consequences), Joe has devoted himself to improving health and safety in our sector. I am grateful for his support and guidance as we worked together to lift the bar; the WorkSafe Chief Inspector's Award to MinEx is as much his as anyone's.



Wayne Scott
CEO MinEx and AQA



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MinEx guidelines overlooked ahead of Pike disaster

Joe Edwards managed a contracting crew that left the Pike River mine only minutes before disaster struck. The death of the 29 men has weighed heavily on him ever since. It has seen him take on major roles chairing two extractive health and safety organisations. He was later in teams writing the current Mining Regulations and Approved Codes of Practice.

Now, having turned 70, he's stepping down from both boards. Earlier this year he retired from the board of Mines Rescue having devoted 12 years to the organisation, 11 as its chair.



Joe Edwards, left, retired from chairing Mines Rescue not long before veteran GM Trevor Watts stood down this year.

And next month he will chair his last meeting of MinEx, ending an association that goes back 20+ years. That started when Joe, whose career as a professional engineer which has mostly involved managing or reviewing tunnelling projects, came into MinEx to help develop good guidance for mining and tunnel operations. This was intended to strengthen the then risk based mining regulations.

“They’d been left up to the mine operator to do the risk assessment and controls work.”

MinEx thought more was needed and Joe worked with an industry group to develop guidelines. These were adopted by the then Department of Labour’s Chief Inspector of Mines. Work was already underway on developing the Pike River mine, but its owners chose not to adopt the guidelines.

“If they had, I don’t think the disaster would have happened.”

The mining company was putting it about that it was following the Queensland mining standards – which were quoted to be far higher than what New Zealand required.

By 2010, Pike River had been operating for two years. Joe was now managing a McConnell Dowell team, contracted to put in stone drives and equipment stubs as part of the wider pit bottom work.

Although there was no knowledge of just how dangerous conditions had actually become, he could see there were other things that Pike River management needed to get right and he and McConnell Dowell were pushing for these changes.

Joe was himself supposed to be at Pike River on the day of the disaster – and may have gone into the mine. Instead, he was at Solid Energy’s Spring Creek operation where McConnell Dowell was also working on the day of the Pike River tragedy. His own staff at Pike River also had luck on their side.

“Our crew came out and it was only a few minutes before the blast.”

Another crew of 6-7 men were waiting in the lamp room for a drift runner (mine vehicle) to take them underground.

After the disaster, the health and safety of extractive workers became a very high focus for Joe. This is not to say that they weren’t a high priority prior.

As well as his work for Mines Rescue, he has served on the MinEx board since 2013 and been chair since 2022. Under his chairmanship, MinEx has stepped up its campaign for an end to engineered stone and opposed the Coalition Government’s changes to the Health & Safety at Work Act.

“We seem to be ignoring our awful recent history of what happens when you put some businesses in charge of deciding what their risks are and how they will manage them.”

Not that businesses don't sometimes exceed what's required. Joe remains on the board of Nelson-based Taylors Contracting Co Limited (Taylors) which among other projects, are working on a major windfarm in North Canterbury.

As it's a remote site, Taylors has recruited operational staff who are trained as first responders and undertaken emergency exercises on site to ensure that their emergency plans work.

“Too often companies are taking the view: we are not skilled for such events – our emergency response is 111.”

Joe says risk assessments require a business to ensure an injury does not happen – and then how they would manage this if one does occur.

“In many instances, it can't be, dial 111”.



The hole through on the Titirangi Tunnels in 1989. Joe, left, was Site Manager. Jock Smith, Project Superintendent is on top with Grant Myocevich, the shift boss, right. A specialised small tunnelling machine was used for the 1.2m x 2.2m high tunnel.

He is, however, heartened at the improvements in health and safety in the extractive sector over the last 15+ years including in tunnels. A lot of this is the use of specialised tunnel boring equipment and far better excavation methodologies which engineer out many underground risks. When he started on Wellington's Terrace tunnel in 1976, standard excavation methods with an exposed face were used. Tunnel support was steel sets and timber spanning between the sets.

The last major tunnel he has worked on was the Central Interceptor Project in Auckland used TBMs – tunnel boring machines. He also had a lot to do with the Waterview Tunnel.

While he is retiring now from the MinEx and earlier Mines Rescue boards, he had also served the CCNZ Board for 13 years and was president for two years until stepping down in 2016. Joe continues to consult on a Watercare project putting a pipe jack (smaller tunnel) down Auckland's Queen St, and other projects.

He and his wife Diana have also become active hikers including walking several Great Walks. This year they completed a 1,700km walk from Le Puy en Velay (in central France) to Santiago de Compostela and beyond to the Atlantic Coast.

They are yet to take on the Paparoa Great Walk from Blackball to Punakaiki on the West Coast. It includes a side track above the Pike Mine site; a reminder of the disaster he still believes would have been avoided if good safety guidelines had been followed.



Wayne Scott with Joe prior to a visit to the CIP project in 2023.



Joe Edwards with wife Diana.

IOQNZ webinars/courses

The Institute of Quarrying New Zealand offers a number of online webinar packages and mini-online courses which range from 1 hour CPD to 8 hours of CPD. The link to our website can be found [here](#) with all purchases made via credit card.



Safety and training go hand in hand

I felt very proud to accept the WorkSafe Chief Inspector's Safety Leadership Award for 2026 at QuarryNZ in Invercargill late last month.

The award recognises an organisation demonstrating strong leadership and commitment to health and safety in the extractives sector. It means a great deal to me to accept it on behalf of my Board and staff – and all who support MinEx.



AQA Technical Adviser Mike Chilton, Sarah Walker Business Manager, Renata Spies Comms Adviser, Brendon Burns Comms Manager.

After more than 30 years in Australia, I returned to NZ in June of 2017 to take up the MinEx CEO's role. Earlier, after managing Australian quarries for many years in 2009, I'd been recruited to work in Queensland's small mines inspectorate. This reinforced how critical health and safety is to any productive extractive site. I've been able to promote that synergy while also working in my Aggregate & Quarry Association CEO role. While I'm stepping down as CEO of both organisations in the coming months, I will continue to promote in my role on the Energy & Infrastructure Industry Skills Board, the fact that safety goes hand in hand with training.

I'm pleased to see Mike Higgins has taken on the role of chairing the Extractives Industry Advisory Group (EIAG) for our ISB. Mike, who is Quarry Development Manager at J Swap Contractors, is also a member of the MinEx Board and deputy chair of the AQA Board. He has been joined on the Advisory Group for our ISB by a very good cross section of people from our sector.

- Ben Metcalfe, Operations Manager – Perry Geotech Ltd
- Chris Marshall, Plant Department Manager – Fulton Hogan Marlborough quarry
- Tim Kennedy, Quarries and Operations Manager – Fulton Hogan and a former IOQNZ President
- Fiona Bartier, GM Health Safety Environment & Community – Bathurst Resources and also a MinEx Board member
- Geoff Guthrie, Training Superintendent – Santana Minerals
- Ralph Keenan, Senior Training Manager – Alton Drilling
- Roger Forrest, Training Superintendent – OceanaGold

The EIAG first met in June and again this month to consider key priorities for the sector, including qualifications and standards, workforce development, training pathways and opportunities.

Mike Higgins, an A Grade Quarry Manager, brings more than 30 years' experience in quarrying in New Zealand and the Pacific Islands.



Fellow AQA Board members Duncan McGregor, Mike Higgins, and I in Spain during last year's global aggregates GAIN meeting.

Mike wants to see training which allows operator level staff, particularly those with literacy challenges to advance, and to strengthen industry input into future education and skills planning.

MITO courses



With MITO having transitioned to industry ownership from 1 January 2026, it is now positioned to respond even more directly to what the extractives sector needs – practical, accessible training aligned to the Safe Work Instrument and the real world challenges our operators face.

Below are the dates for our Mining & Quarrying Level 2 course Cohort 24 – running from September – December 2026.

Tutorial #	Course Name	Cohort	Date	Time
Intro	Introduction to the New Zealand Certificate in Extractives Tutorial	24	24/09/2026	10:30-11:30
1	Workplace Health and Safety and Hazard Management Tutorial	24	1/10/2026	10:30-11:30
2	Job Safety Analysis Tutorial	24	22/10/2026	10:30-11:30
3	Safe Working Practices At An Extractive Site Tutorial	24	12/11/2026	10:30-11:30
4	Conduct Machine and Equipment Safety Checks and Isolation Procedures Tutorial	24	3/12/2026	10:30-11:30
5	Maintain Working Surfaces Tutorial	24	21/01/2027	10:30-11:30
6	Cleaning and Maintenance Tutorial	24	11/02/2027	10:30-11:30
7	Basic Skills and Knowledge in Surface Extraction Tutorial	24	3/04/2027	10:30-11:30

For enrolment or guidance on choosing the right training pathway, contact MITO:

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Two worrying incidents in an average week in extractives

Extractives sites now report around one hundred High Potential Incidents (HPIs) a year and that's declining, but the number is still worrying WorkSafe's Chief Inspector Extractives Paul Hunt.



WorkSafe's Chief Inspector Extractives Paul Hunt at QuarryNZ in Invercargill.

He told the QuarryNZ conference delegates that there had been three HPis reported in one week in July alone.

"Imagine if I'd been standing here and we'd seen three people killed a week or two ago."

One of the incidents involved a 17-year-old operator whose machine had rolled down a bank. He was not wearing a seatbelt as required and while unharmed, WorkSafe's view is it was a potential fatality.

Machinery and vehicle accidents still dominate the statistics.



Incident involving a 17-year-old operator.

Paul Hunt says in the last year WorkSafe's Board of Examiners had processed more extractive qualifications than ever before, most of them A + B Certificates of Competence. While there are some good quarry operators, risk assessments continue to be an issue in BoE examinations and onsite visits.

"I think they are being done very poorly." One of the most common BoE failures came when candidates were asked about risk assessments.

"People are saying they've never done one." He says risk assessments need to be done on the job as do site inspections.

Quarrying regulations required these inspections to be done before each shift by a quarry manager or another trained competent person, with the results documented.

The Chief Inspector urged quarry managers or site supervisors to talk to their workers. "Ask: what's worrying you today?"

In the latest [WorkSafe quarterly health and safety performance report for extractives](#) Paul Hunt comments on how the agency assesses which sites will be visited.

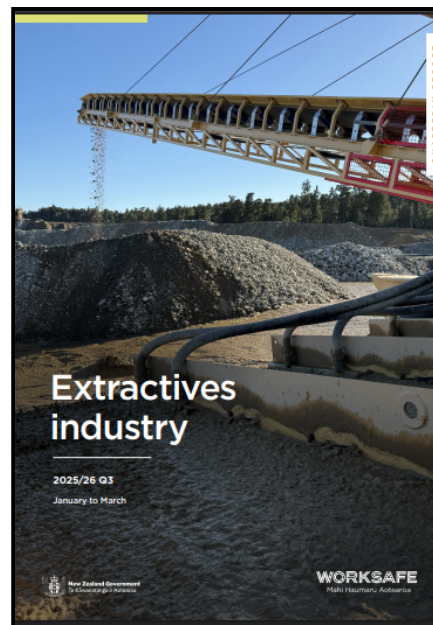
A risk-based approach looks at how many people work at a site, the known geological conditions, mining methods and any other factors that help risk-rank the operation.

A schedule of inspections then sees the highest-ranked sites visited as a priority – normally multiple times a year - with others fitted in where possible.

All mine sites, excluding alluvial mines, are inspected at least once a year. Paul Hunt says with about 1,000 quarry sites, inspecting every quarry site is not possible.

WorkSafe will still inspect high-ranked quarry sites at least once a year.

“But if the first inspection does not raise any issues, we will not complete a second inspection in the same year.”



He advises that WorkSafe is planning some drop-in visits to the office of any other nearby operations to engage with the available operator, manager or staff.

“An inspector will deal with any obvious issues they might observe, but the primary purpose is to engage with some of the lower risk-ranked sites that may not have had an inspection for some time.”

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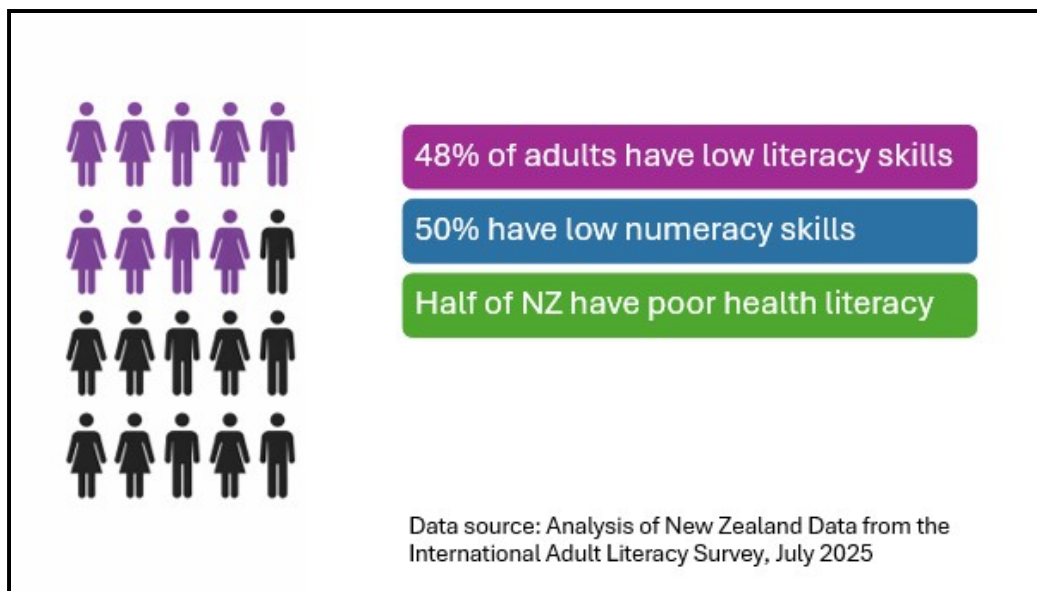
Health and Safety in NZ extractives

Half our workforce struggle to read and count

Shockingly low levels of literacy and numeracy among New Zealand workers, including those in extractives, are having an impact on health and safety outcomes.

This was among some stark comments in a QuarryNZ conference presentation from Charlene Donald, a former WorkSafe inspector and now a principal consultant with SLR Consulting.

She says the average reading ability of 15-year-old New Zealand students has declined significantly in the last 25 years – and much more than in other developed nations. Maths ability was no better. This graph shows the impact on our adult population.



Charlene says if you had a quarry operation with 20 workers, you could expect around 9-10 of your workers to have low literacy and numeracy levels. “These are not people who lack intelligence or experience.”

She says analysis of quarry injury incidents show risk assessments were completed in most cases, but not all risks were identified; and if they were, there was a failure to implement effective controls.

“We must question – do our kamahi (workers) have the literacy and numeracy skills to understand the risks, critically think, and solve problems?” Charlene says such incidents are not the result of “dumb mistakes.”



Charlene Donald at QuarryNZ conference.

“They are predictable outcomes when literacy, numeracy, and spatial awareness gaps go unaddressed. Getting by can mean getting hurt.”

She says often quarry managers don't know they have staff with poor literacy and numeracy. “Most adults are unbelievably good at hiding this.”

But research shows those industries with the highest proportions of workers with low literacy such as agriculture, manufacturing, and construction, have the highest rates of work-related injury claims.

Charlene says given literacy is a major impediment to workplace productivity and safety, competence in this and numeracy should be within a company's Occupational Health and Safety (OH&S) training programme.

“This isn't just about safety; it's about lifting capability, culture, and performance.”

Workplace literacy and numeracy training programmes adopted by New Zealand employers have noted impressive improvements including:

- better verbal communication skills
- improved reading and writing skills, enabling better input and understanding of workplace documentation
- fewer workplace accidents and a stronger emphasis on safety
- improved technology skills, e.g. better information keyed into a computer
- increased understanding of workplace processes and better quality
- less absenteeism
- improved confidence
- improved quality control.

Leaders of Safety

- Shift to a learner centered approach
- Identify literacy and numeracy gaps
- Improve training resources
- Upskill trainers and leaders
- Use technology



Charlene made the point that training for staff with low numeracy and literacy has to be designed for them as adults and make good use of technology.

We're pleased she singled out [MinEx's Microlearnings programme](#) which uses lots of graphics across the modules.

You will of course need a more comprehensive approach to improve the literacy and numeracy if half of your staff need the support.

You can get copies of Charlene's presentation and background material by emailing: Charlene.Donald@SLRconsulting.com



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Extractives get better career pathways and buy in

Our extractives sector has won an important role in helping senior secondary school students better understand that what we produce, underpins New Zealand's infrastructure and energy security.

Nine industry-led secondary school subjects will also now allow our sector and some others the chance to directly shape students' career pathways.

I'll represent extractives on the Energy and Infrastructure Industry Skills Board (EIISB) which will lead the new Energy and Infrastructure subject as well as work with the other Industry Skills Boards (ISBs) on the broader subject of Engineering Technology.

This will give our industry, the chance to work with schools, other ISBs and the Government, and to build stronger pathways from classroom to further training, apprenticeships and skilled work.

"As an industry we know that aggregates and quarrying sit at the start of almost every infrastructure project. We now have a chance to show students the skill, technology, safety and environmental management involved in modern extractive operations. We also know that mining supports well-paid regional jobs while providing the essential raw materials necessary for modern society.

The Energy and Infrastructure subject will draw on the knowledge and experience of the energy, water, civil infrastructure and extractives sectors represented by our ISB.



EIISB Chief Executive Philip Aldridge says by helping shape these subjects, students get learning that is practical, useful and tied to the skills employers need.

Philip attended the announcement at Meridian Energy's Wellington west windfarm with Education Minister Erica Stanford and Economic Growth Minister Nicola Willis.

"Students make better choices when they can see where study can take them," he says. "Through this change, we will see students gain visibility of those careers earlier, understand the skills involved and make more informed choices about where they want to go next."

"He says the EIISB will work with industry, other ISBs, schools, and the Ministry of Education as development continues.

"We have a chance to build something that works for students, makes sense to schools and gives industry confidence that young people are getting a stronger introduction to these sectors. If we get this right, more students will leave school with a clearer pathway into the work that keeps New Zealand moving."



The Government's [announcement](#) was also attended by Naenae College pupils.

You can read more [here](#) about the new subject.

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Women in Quarrying on the move

A year on from its formation, the Women in Quarrying (WIQ) committee of IOQNZ fronted a big room of people at QuarryNZ conference and sought input into how it could grow.

WIQ secretary Lisa Wakefield says the group has expanded since it was formed at last year's conference and now has a contact in most areas of the country.



Lisa (standing) is pictured with Mikaela Smith from AB Lime.

It's also done a [survey](#), which shows 167 female employees in administration roles and 114 females were working in operations. 15 women hold A or B Grade Certificate of Competence, and only 21 were in NZQA extractive-specific training.

Lisa says not all women in the industry – estimated at around 15% of the workforce – yet know WIQ exists, hence asking those attending the Invercargill meeting how it can better promote itself.

Philip Aldridge, told the Invercargill audience that WIQ should collaborate and leverage with other groups facing some common challenges.

There were some comments at the WIQ meeting about the attractiveness of an industry to young women when the majority of the workforce is older males.

Philip says recruitment and retention is a real challenge across the broader construction sector. Of every 100 people starting in construction five years ago, only 25 were there today.

James Blacklaws from Fulton Hogan says he encourages female employees to move out of traffic management where many work and get onto machinery as a better career option. "You are much better to go on a loader than a stop/go." He says women don't hurt their backs as some males do lifting loads they shouldn't, and they also go easier on machinery when operating it.

Ela Puchalska, who's been working as a surveyor for Waikato construction for 20 years, says she's had fantastic support while working in quarries even though when she started there were very few female staff.

Lisa Wakefield, now Road Metals Health and Safety Adviser, confesses that when she started in the industry with Fulton Hogan 12 years ago as a weighbridge operator, she didn't really know what quarrying involved.

She says one of the key tasks in the year ahead for Women in Quarrying is to seek some funding to help promote itself and grow the membership.

If you are interested in joining Women in Quarrying, check out their website [here](#) and join the [Facebook](#) page.



Luana Misa was the winner of RD Hasseld Memorial Trophy.

Women in Quarrying NZ's Chairperson, Luana Misa is Cement Operations Project Coordinator at Golden Bay in Whangarei. She was unable to attend QuarryNZ but she did win this award given to a member who has done the most to promote their local branch.

Women working in quarrying in New Zealand might take heart from the presentation by Institute of Quarrying Australia President Michael Close. It outlined the IQA's 'That's Solid' campaign promoting the sector's career opportunities and contribution.

There were four videos of Aussie quarry workers; two of them were women. One features Michelle Knott, who developed a quarry on the family farm with her husband and now manages it.



One of Michelle's daughters is now following in her mother's footsteps and taking up a career in quarrying.

Tai Poutini courses



Tai Poutini offer a number of courses under the Diploma in Quarrying and Mining Supervision (Level 5), further details can be found [here](#) or contact Nicole Scalmer on [037699645](tel:037699645) for more information.

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New Zealand Mines Rescue



Mines Rescue Competition returns this November

After a 12-year gap, the country's mines rescue teams will go head-to-head at OceanaGold's Macraes Operation in East Otago, 20–22 November 2026.

The New Zealand Mines Rescue Service is proud to announce that the New Zealand Mines Rescue Competition is back. From Friday 20 to Sunday 22 November 2026, five teams from across the industry will compete at OceanaGold's Macraes Operation in East Otago – the first national competition since 2014.

Over three days, teams will be tested across a full programme of practical rescue events: fire-fighting, first aid, rope rescue, underground search and rescue in BG4 breathing apparatus, a CABA search and rescue, and road crash rescue – along with a theory quiz on the Friday evening and a team skills challenge to close out the weekend. Every event is designed to test the skills, knowledge, organisation and teamwork that mines rescue teams rely on in a real emergency, with experienced adjudicators giving each team feedback on how they performed.

"Competitions like this are one of the best training tools we have," says Matt Beavon, Executive General Manager of New Zealand Mines Rescue Service. "They put teams under realistic pressure, sharpen decision-making and communication, and let rescuers from different sites learn from each other."

"Just as importantly, they bring the industry together around a shared goal. If the worst happens, the people responding need to be ready – and this is how we get there."

A huge amount of work has gone into bringing the competition back. An organising committee drawn from NZ Mines Rescue Service and OceanaGold's Macraes and Waihi operations has spent the year developing the events, scenarios, marking schemes and logistics, with input from experienced competition organisers from across the Tasman. We are proud of what the team has put together and can't wait to see it come to life in November.

None of this would be possible without our hosts. Our sincere thanks go to OceanaGold and the Macraes team, who have opened up their site, helped scope and build the event areas – including a new purpose-built underground search and rescue facility – and put their people and expertise behind the event. We are equally grateful to our sponsors. Their generous support, in cash and in kind, is what makes an event of this scale possible, and we look forward to recognising them over the weekend.

Our aim is for this to be the first of many. We want the New Zealand Mines Rescue Competition to become a regular fixture on the industry calendar, giving every mines rescue team in the country something to train towards and a chance to measure themselves against the best.

The weekend opens with a welcome function and theory quiz at the Waikouaiti Rugby Clubrooms on the Friday evening, moves to Macraes for the practical events on Saturday and Sunday, and wraps up with the presentation dinner on the Sunday night.

To find out more, or if your organisation would like to get involved, contact Paul Moffitt at paul.moffitt@minerescue.org.nz

At a glance:

What: 2026 New Zealand Mines Rescue Competition

When: Friday 20 – Sunday 22 November 2026

Where: OceanaGold Macraes Operation, Macraes Flat, East Otago (practical events, Saturday and Sunday)
Waikouaiti (Eastern) Rugby Football Club (Friday welcome function and Sunday presentation dinner)

Hosts: New Zealand Mines Rescue Service, with OceanaGold Macraes

Events: Theory quiz · Fire-fighting · First aid · Rope rescue · Underground search and rescue (BG4) · CABA search and rescue · Road crash rescue · Team skills challenge

Contact: Paul Moffitt – paul.moffitt@minesrescue.org.nz

Web: www.minesrescue.org.nz



Fire-fighting is one of the practical events teams will face at Macraes.

Photo: NZ Mines Rescue Service

Training

Quarry and Alluvial Manager Certificate of Competence

LOCATION	GRADE	MODULE	UNIT STANDARD	DURATION	SCHEDULED DATES	COST (excl GST)
West Coast	A Grade CoC	Leadership	US 27564	2 days	23 & 24 Sept 2026	\$950
West Coast	B Grade CoC	Incident investigation	US 16686	2 days	21 & 22 Sept 2026	\$950
West Coast	B Grade CoC	CIMS	US 32158, 29553, 29554	2 days	6 & 7 Oct 2026	\$950
Waikato	A Grade CoC	Legislation	US 7142	4 days	14 – 17 Sept 2026	\$1,750
Huntly	B Grade CoC	Human factors	US 26855	2 days	31 Aug & 1 Sept 2026	\$950
Huntly	B Grade CoC	Leadership	US 27564	2 days	7 & 8 Oct 2026	\$950
Huntly	B Grade CoC	Incident investigation	US 16686	2 days	4 & 5 Nov 2026	\$950
Huntly	Senior site executive	Develop a workplace emergency management plan	US 16810	3 days	29 Sept – 1 Oct 2026	\$1,815

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