

President's Update

Welcome to the 1st edition of the IEEM Alumni newsletter for 2004.

Planned Alumni activities for 2004 will be somewhat similar to 2003, in that we plan to hold 3 functions during the year. Alumni members should endeavour to make the most of these functions, by using them as opportunities to keep in contact with and catch up with past class mates.

The first function for 2004 will be a social dinner function, which will take place on Wednesday 19th May. Please note this date in your diaries. This function is being held to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the first Industrial Engineering graduates, and the Alumni Council is endeavouring to have as many of the original 1984 graduates present for the function. More details of this function are contained later in the newsletter.

Following the Alumni Council elections that were held at the final function of 2003, the 2004 Alumni Council has a number of new faces and covers a good spread of graduating years.

Here are your Alumni Council members for 2004.

Alan Emerson (President)
Grant Mitchell (Vice President / President Elect)
Tanya Seidel
Jana Krizova
Patrick Healy
Panos Miltiadou

In the initial Alumni Council meetings for 2004, it has been clearly identified that a

priority of the Council this year is to obtain and maintain contact with as

many past graduates as we can, and to update the database of members with current information.

If you have received this newsletter then we obviously have your contact details. However, if you know other past graduates and alumni members who didn't, then we would like to hear from you. In these cases we have not been able to contact these people, so it would be appreciated if you could email me their contact details so I can have them added to the Alumni member database. My contact email address is aemerson@tontinefibres.com.au

Lastly, I would like to thank Jackie Cook our inaugural President, the faculty staff and last years Council members for putting in the hard work to get the Alumni up and running. This has certainly made my job this year a lot easier.

Alan Emerson
IEEM Alumni President 2004



Above: The new Council members (L-R): Panos, Tanya, Alan, Grant and Jana. (Patrick Healy absent).

First Function 2004

PLEASE JOIN US AND YOUR FELLOW
ALUMNI FOR OUR

20 YEAR REUNION

**MAY 19th, 2004
6:30pm, Clayfield Room,
Caulfield
Cost: \$50 which includes
a three course meal,
beer, wine and soft drink**

To mark a very special occasion the IEEM Alumni council has decided to hold a dinner as our first event for the year. This event will celebrate the 20 year reunion for the IEEM graduation class of 1984. It will be an excellent opportunity for alumni from all years to reunite with classmates and catch up on good old times. So please join us to make this a successful and memorable evening. We look forward to seeing you all there.

[This event is sponsored by IPA Personnel Pty. Ltd.](#)

With limited space available, can you please confirm your attendance with Anna Maltezos at Monash University on 9903-2335, or by email at anna.maltezos@eng.monash.edu.au

Payment should be made by cheque preferably at the time of booking and be sent to;

Anna Maltezos
Mechanical Engineering Dept.
Monash University
900 Dandenong Road
Caulfield East
Vic. 3145

Christmas Drinks Function

Once again our final function for 2003 was a success. The 2004 committee was elected and we said good-bye to our 2003 president Jackie Cook.

The evening was a great social occasion where current and past students and staff had the opportunity to catch up over a few drinks and nibbles.



Above: Christmas drinks

SPONSORS

In order to develop into a stronger alumni organisation we are seeking sponsors that are able to provide some financial assistance. This can be as a form of monetary sponsorship or sponsorship of events or scholarship programs. Funds collected from our sponsors are essential in enabling us to hold bigger and better functions and further grow our alumni presence.

Sponsors will be rewarded through regular sponsor advertisements in our newsletters and flyers that are distributed to all alumni members. They are also able to have a presence by logos etc at our events and functions. This ensures that our sponsors will reach a large and varied and influential audience within the business and industrial environment.

Do you keep in touch with your fellow Alumni?

Yes, I catch up with the uni gang at least once a month. It's great to hear how well they are all doing.

A Brief Chat **with.....Tanya Seidel**

In each edition of the IEEM Newsletter, we will feature a member of the Alumni. The questions are:

What year did you graduate?

2001

What was your first job?

My first job was at ANCA, a CNC Machine Manufacturer in Bayswater. My next role was at Holden Engine Operations where I carried out a Co-op Year. I was then offered summer vacation work at Cadbury in Ringwood (very dangerous for a chocoholic like myself!)

Where did that lead?

Once I had completed my degree in Industrial Engineering and Computing, I was offered a position at Kenworth Trucks in Bayswater. I have been with the company for nearly 3 years. During that time I have held two positions. In the first position I was the Manufacturing Engineer looking after Cab Trim. I was then moved on to the position of Production Supervisor in Cab Trim.

Why do you think IE is a great career choice?

It's a career that allows both analysis and hands on problem solving.