

Hello members and industry stakeholders.

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Save The Date: 2025 Conference



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SAVE THE DATE

PIA Conference 2025

16 and 17 September 2025 | Rydges Wellington
Details to follow

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PIA Subcommittee Chairs

Chairing a PIA subcommittee is an important role and we periodically welcome new Chairs:

- Health & Safety:** New Subcommittee Chair Karen Naude
(Thanks to out-going Chair John Gordon)
- Education & Training:** New Subcommittee Chair Aaron Aymes
(Thanks to out-going Chair Natasha Bennett)
- Container Park Forum:** New Subcommittee Chair Marie McNaught
(Thanks to out-going Chair Kathryn Gardner)
- People & Capability:** Subcommittee Chair = Laura Chandler.
- Port Security:** Subcommittee Chair = Warren Neal

PIA Subcommittee Meeting Dates 2025

Health & Safety

- Feb 18
- June 25
- Sept 16 (at Sept 16-17 conference)

People & Capability

- Feb 19
- June 26
- Sept 16 (at Sept 16-17 conference)

Education & Training

- Feb 20
- June 24
- Sept 16 (at Sept 16-17 conference)

Container Park

- Feb 11
- May 19/20 (exact date TBC)
- Sept 15 (before Sept 16-17 conference)

Port Security

- April 9
- June 10
- Sept 16 (at Sept 16-17 conference)
- Nov 20



SAFEGUARD

The New Zealand Workplace
Health & Safety Awards 2025



Safeguard: The New Zealand Workplace Health and Safety Awards 2025

Showcase Your Industry's Commitment to Health & Safety!

Health and safety are at the heart of everything we do in our industry, and we encourage our members to celebrate their achievements by entering the Safeguard Awards 2025. Whether as an organisation or an individual making a difference, this is a great opportunity to shine a light on the incredible efforts within our sector.

The deadline for entries for these awards is on Friday 4 April 2025.

Upcoming PIA members' survey – how are we doing?.. and are you signed up to the PIA newsletter?

In the near future you will be sent a survey on The PIA's Future Direction and Activities. Your responses (which won't identify you by name/email address) will help us understand how members feel the PIA is doing, what we could improve on and future priorities.

We appreciate everyone is busy and have designed the survey so it can usually be completed in only 6 minutes, (or slightly more than that if you have lots of suggestions!)

Please take a few minutes to fill it in, so we can understand how best to serve you and your colleagues in future.

NB: We'll send the survey via the app we used to distribute our newsletter, Mailchimp, which means it'll go to any member who has subscribed to the PIA's newsletters. If you haven't already signed up to our newsletter, please use the signup device at the bottom of any page of <https://portindustry.co.nz/> and remind your workmates to sign up too so they'll be surveyed.



PIA Health & Safety Subcommittee Meeting – Key Updates

The 75th PIA Health & Safety Subcommittee meeting, now chaired by Karen Naude (Port of Tauranga), took place on February 18th, covering a range of important industry topics.

- Maritime New Zealand Update: Matthew McIvor provided insights into the first six months of the HSWA regulatory operations team.
- POAL Safety & Auditing: Mohamed Jassim (POAL) shared POAL's audit tool and POAL's gap analysis to the ACOP gap analysis.
- Confined Spaces on Bulk Vessels: A risk assessment on confined spaces in bulk vessels has been completed, with feedback provided to MNZ, stating that ship holds should not be classified as confined spaces. The subcommittee has agreed that a formal response will be drafted on behalf of PIA, reinforcing this position and stating that the industry will default to the highest safety standard.
- Working at Heights on Vessels – Industry-Led Initiative: The PIA is developing good practice guidelines for Working at Heights on vessels, an initiative that has been well supported by members. A working group, led by an industry representative, will oversee the development, with participation from stevedores, port companies, and MNZ to ensure a collaborative approach.
- Injury Reporting & Benchmarking: POAL is leading efforts to standardize injury reporting across the sector, for benchmarking purposes. The aim is to establish a standardized approach endorsed by the PIA's H&S Subcommittee. Members will put forward a representative from each organisation to work collaboratively on standardizing the approach to injury classification and injury frequency rates.

These discussions and initiatives reflect our ongoing commitment to safety and best practices across the industry. If you'd like to get involved or have any insights to share, we welcome your input!

PIA Associate Membership:

As the PIA has evolved we've increasingly received enquiries from businesses which provide products and/or services to the Port industry about becoming PIA associate members. There's now an application form [link = <https://portindustry.co.nz/why-be-a-member/>] on our website for those wanting to apply to become an associate member. (As with our membership, an associate member's company will hold the associate membership, but application needs to be made by only one person in the company.)

- An Associate member must be approved by the PIA Executive committee.
- Associate members have no voting rights.
- Being an associate member allows a company to connect with members and keep updated on relevant industry information. This also includes project work, or initiatives undertaken with government agencies.
- Associate members can engage with members at networking events such as our annual conference at Associate membership rates. (If numbers are limited preference for attendance will be given to associate members over non-members).
- Associate members will have access to PIA newsletters and member communications, along with access to nominated PIA subcommittees and subcommittee communications.

Page Macrae Engineering already holds associate membership with us and we'll keep you informed about any new associate members who join the PIA.

Port & Crane Academy (PCANZ) Update

Following on from the last update on PCANZ, we can confirm that PCANZ still holds programme approval for delivering training.

Whilst not receiving funding has been a blow, we are now working through a revised structure (without Mark) and pricing for the remainder of 2025 with a different operating model and hope to be able to confirm this by the end of this month.

This will cover what we can deliver now with the material already developed and owned:

- Individual unit standards that can be assessed
- Micro-credentials

We have heard rumours that PCANZ has ceased; these rumours are unfounded.

Please direct any queries to Jacqui Ramsay (eo@portindustry.co.nz).

A further update will follow by the end of March 2025



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And to close, a reminder...

Next year will be **the PIA's 50th anniversary** so expect our 2026 conference to be at a whole new level!

