



Member Newsletter

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show news



QUEENSLAND TRUCK & MACHINERY SHOW Incorporating The Brisbane Truck Show

Queensland Truck & Machinery Show Report

The 2007 Queensland Truck and Machinery Show recorded the second largest attendance in its 39 year history with 39,631 attendees over the four days of the show according to Show Manager and CVIAQ Chief Executive Officer, Mr Brett Wright. The show also had more attractions than ever before with 308 registered exhibitors occupying over 70,000 square metres of display space at the RNA Showgrounds.

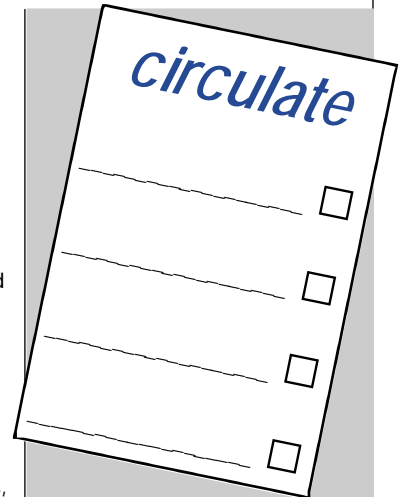
Although attendance figures were slightly lower than the previous show, the feedback from exhibitors was overwhelming in their praise of the quality of show visitor citing good sales results and a high volume of contacts for future negotiations.

With exhibitors commenting on the high number of business decision makers visiting their displays, the show, once again, achieved its goal of putting the manufacturers and distributors of commercial vehicles and equipment and earthmoving machinery suppliers in direct contact with many potential buyers, both national and international.

2007 / 2005 ATTENDANCE FIGURES					
YEAR	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	TOTAL
2005	7,117	9,167	17,879	9,994	44,157
2007	6,774	9,673	15,631	7,553	39,631

The 2007 show expanded slightly to include additional road sites for trailer and tanker displays in Alexandria Street as well as the inclusion of the Upper Dairy Pavilion offering booth sites. A new stand location for PACCAR featuring both Kenworth and DAF brands together in Building 10 was impressive with crowds flocking to see the new display which provided a seamless inclusion of the National Apprentice Challenge site organised by the CVIAQ.

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Developing the Industry Skills Plan – We Need Your Help!

CVIAQ is now formally recognised as a primary information source for vocational education and training by being one of four peak automotive industry organisations that have partnered together to form the Queensland Automotive Skills Alliance (QASA), an autonomous organisation that is charged with providing strategic information and advice to Government on the skill demand for the Automotive Industry (see insert in this month's newsletter for more detailed QASA information).

QASA's mandate includes building partnerships with industry, employers and training providers to ensure that the best possible skilling and employment solutions for the Automotive Industry are developed and implemented.

To initiate this process, member contacts should receive a letter from QASA Executive Officer, Mr Troy Knox, requesting your assistance in providing QASA with industry information on training and employee skill issues. Accompanying the letter will be a survey form.

CVIAQ strongly recommend that all member contacts complete the survey form and return to QASA by the nominated deadline. This is your opportunity to contribute to identifying the shortfalls in training for our industry and to offer current industry perspectives that enable QASA to provide valid information to the state government.





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An innovation for the show was the introduction of **Truck Show TV** featuring a combination of live show interviews with the organisers, exhibitors and visitors, interspersed with exhibitor advertising. Footage was relayed to plasma and large projection screens positioned in the Industrial Pavilion, on the CVIAQ stand at the entrance to the Upper Exhibition Building and in all the bar areas. Show Manager, Mr Brett Wright, declared Truck Show TV a great success with positive feedback to the new concept coming from exhibitor and visitor alike.

Other outstanding successes were the TRANSLink integrated ticketing offer and the free bus and rail loop initiative organised by CVIAQ. The free public transport provided visitors with an efficient and trouble free travel alternative to the show, adding value to their show admission ticket while assisting in easing the traffic congestion around the Showgrounds.

Queensland Truck & Machinery Show Award Winners

Over 500 guests representing government, industry associations, the commercial vehicle industry and earthmoving sectors attended the **Official Opening Cocktail Function** witnessing the eight exhibiting companies who were recognised with awards for their various contributions to the show.

The evening featured speeches from CVIAQ President, Mrs Sharon O'Phee, CMEIG President, Mr Bruce Becker and Director of the Trade and Technical Skills Institute – Skillstech Australia, Mr Steve Ghost, who officially opened the four day show.

Show Manager, Mr Brett Wright, praised the exhibitors for putting on the best show ever. Mr Wright said that the judges commended the industry on a truly world class display at this year's show.

The 2007 Queensland Truck and Machinery Show award winners were as follows:



Risk Management Excellence Award *sponsor Worklaw Health and Safety* Winner – **Groeneveld Australia**

Best Presented Truck Award *sponsor Truckin' Life Magazine* Winner - **Western Star Trucks Australia** for its Heavy Haulage Australia Western Star 6964 FXC High Roof Stratosphere

Truck of the Show *sponsor Truck and Trailer Magazine* Winner – **Hino Truck Australia** for its Hino Dutro Hybrid

Outstanding Vehicle Component Display *sponsor Russ Equipment* Winner – **Cummins South Pacific**

Outstanding Transport Equipment and Accessory Display *sponsor Diesel Magazine* Winner – **BG CRANE / HIAB**

Outstanding Machinery Display *sponsor Trader Classifieds* Winner – **BT Equipment**

Outstanding Trailer / Vehicle Body Display *sponsor Trader Classifieds* Winner – **O'Phee**

Trailers

Outstanding Truck Manufacturer Display *sponsor ATN Magazine / Owner//Driver* Winner – **Mack Trucks Australia** pictured above - Accepting the Outstanding Truck Manufacturer Display from sponsor representative Carol Green of Publishing Services Australia is Ray Smithers and Gary Richards on behalf of Mack Trucks Australia.



Queenslander WINS the Hino major prize...

The winners of this year's Queensland Truck and Machinery Show's passport competition prove that people come from far and wide to attend the show. The competition which was based on stamps being collected at seven stamping stations around the show was designed to ensure all participating show visitors travelled to all corners of the show.

Show Manager, Mr Brett Wright, gave heart felt thanks to the 'Passport Competition' sponsor Hino for making a 300 series truck available as a major prize and also to supporting sponsor Engel for the donation of four fridges which were given as daily prizes. The quality of prizes on offer ensured that the organisers were swamped with literally thousands of entries over the four days.

The winner of the grand prize Hino 300 Series truck was:

Rod Morwood of Oakey, Queensland

The winners of the Engel fridges were:

Ian Johnston of Atherton, Queensland

Troy Gillespie of South Lismore, New South Wales

Peter Cole of Murrumba Downs, Brisbane Queensland

Sarah Little of Forest Lake, Brisbane Queensland



Rod Morwood accepts the keys to the prize Hino 300 Series truck from Paul Woodland (CVIAQ) while Vic Rijn (Hino) looks on.

"Combined Victoria / Tasmania Team Win the Inaugural National Apprentice Challenge..."

The combined Victorian and Tasmanian team of Aaron Krause from Motors Pty Ltd in Tasmania and Josh Mitchell from Bayswater Truck Centre in Victoria has won the inaugural National Apprentice Challenge.

For their exceptional effort in the winning competition both Aaron and Josh will be travelling to the United States accompanied by Truckin' Life's Managing Editor Jim Gibson, to visit a US truck show as well as truck equipment suppliers and dealers courtesy of major sponsors Kenworth Trucks and the Kenworth Dealer Group.

CVIAQ CEO Brett Wright referred to the National Apprentice Challenge as a nationally recognised industry event focussed on promoting careers in the road transport industry.

"Heavy vehicle technicians of today are highly skilled and the National Apprentice Challenge

is a great way of demonstrating those skills and the rewarding career path the industry can offer to the general public."



L-R Brett Wright (CVIAQ), Aaron Krause (Tas), Josh Mitchell (Vic) and Peter Langworthy (Kenworth Trucks)

Mr Wright thanked major sponsors Kenworth Trucks and the Kenworth Dealer Group for their generous support in making this national event possible.

The runner-up positions were filled by the Western Australian team of Ben Burrows - Kenworth DAF WA and Aaron Hill - Kenworth DAF WA in second place. Third place team was the New South Wales pairing of Mark Bromley - Cummins South Pacific and Sean Hall - Suttons Motors Arnecliffe.

The second prize winners will be flown to Alice Springs to attend the National Road transport Hall of Fame celebrations in August. All finalists not only received a lap top computer but also tool kits courtesy of long time CVIAQ and industry supporter Warby Tools.

National Transport Commission News

Registration Fee Cap to Apply as Road Spending Increases

Heavy vehicle registration fee increases will be capped at 3.5% from July 2007 using the legislated annual charges adjustment process.

A significant increase in road expenditure over the previous three years resulted in an adjustment factor of 5.6%. However, this increase is capped at 3.5% by the application of a Consumer Price Index (CPI) 'ceiling'.

The formula is based on changes in road expenditure and expected changes in road use. To view the paper type in the link: <http://ntc.gov.au/DocView.aspx?page=A02214508300750020>

Heavy vehicle cost recovery through fuel charge and registration fees help underpin expenditure on better and safer roads, including upgrades needed to support transport productivity. The Council of Australian Governments (COAG) recently agreed



charges should be reviewed to ensure heavy vehicles continue to pay their share of increased road spending by all levels of government.

On May 4th, 2007, the Australian Transport Council directed the National Transport Commission to develop a new heavy vehicle charges determination to be implemented from 1 July 2008. A draft Regulatory Impact Statement will be prepared for public consultation.

New System for Motor Vehicle Duty

Premier Peter Beattie and Treasurer Anna Bligh announced last week a new environmentally friendly rating system for motor vehicle transfer duty that would be included in the State Budget.

The new scheme will provide motorists with an incentive to play their part in helping tackle global warming by encouraging smaller cylinder purchasing of new motor vehicles. Under the existing motor vehicle transfer scheme there is a levy of 2% on all vehicles.

The new scheme for motor vehicle transfer duty will encourage smaller cylinder vehicles through a gradual levy based on the number of cylinders.

The four cylinder vehicle levy will increase to 3%. For a six cylinder vehicle the levy will increase to 3.5%. For an eight cylinder or more vehicle the levy will increase to 4%. **The increase will apply to commercial vehicles as well as cars and could increase the sale price of a vehicle by hundreds to thousands of dollars.** The commencement date for the new rates will be 1 January 2008.

The change would raise approximately \$200 million over a full year of operation which will fund social services infrastructure upgrades focussing on the area of mental health.

Ms Bligh said while Queensland's rate of population growth brought many economic benefits it also put enormous pressure on services and infrastructure. "We are being asked to do more with less and the Beattie Government will not let our services be short changed into the future."

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**The ICT Factor 07
Conference &
Exhibition**

Wed 18th July 2007
Brisbane Convention and
Exhibition Centre



The ICT Factor 2007 is a one day conference and exhibition for Queensland small and medium sized businesses and non-profit organisations interested in developing the growth of their businesses with the support of Information and Communication Technologies (ICT).

For more information visit www.iib.qld.gov.au

Water Information For Businesses

As current water supplies in South East Queensland continue to fall, it is important for business and industry to keep up to date with further water saving measures and usage restrictions.

The Queensland Water Commission has announced level 5 water restrictions which took effect on 10 April 2007 across 12 regional councils in South East Queensland. The restrictions were announced after extensive discussion with councils, government, business and industry.

The Department of State Development offers a range of information to assist business to assess their risks and plan for the potential impact of water restrictions on their business. To access these services and for further information on water restrictions and how they may affect your business now and in the future, visit www.smartsmallbusiness.qld.gov.au/water.

For all your other business information needs visit www.smartsmallbusiness.qld.gov.au or phone the Department's Business Hotline on 1300 363 711.



events calendar

July

- 4 Service Managers' Council Meeting
- 31 Manufacturers' Council Meeting

August

- 19 Industry Recognition Award - nominations close
- 24 Apprentice of the Year Award - nominations close

October

- 6 CVIAQ Annual Dinner
- 24 Annual General Meeting

November

- 6 Manufacturers' Council Meeting

December

- 5 Service Managers' Council Meeting

**CVIAQ
Farewells
Tracey**

CVIAQ bid a sad farewell to Tracey Phipps who resigned her position as Administration Officer at the completion of the Queensland Truck and Machinery Show.



Tracey and husband Jason have relocated to Maryborough.

Tracey wished to thank all the members and staff who made her feel so welcome during her time with the Association.

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