78TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE 16-17TH MAY 2024

# Welcome to Rotorua!

Thank you for joining us at the Plastics New Zealand 78th Annual Conference being held at Novotel Rotorua Lakeside, Rotorua on 15th- 17th May 2024.

Plastics New Zealand Waikato Branch are your official hosts and would like to welcome you to the Bay of Plenty region. Our thanks to our sponsors for helping to make this event possible.

This pack contains some basic information to assist you with your visit and to make the conference a more interesting and satisfying experience.

#### **Delegates & Partner Registration**

Registration opens on Thursday 16th May at 8.00am in the Pre-Function area opposite the Hotel Restaurant and Bar on the ground floor. Please pick up your delegates pass and registration pack. The Waikato Branch Committee will be on hand to pass on any information and answer any questions you may have.

Please ensure that you wear your delegate pass during conference. Contained within this is your link to the Conference programme. The main Conference Plenary Sessions are being held in the Rutherford Rooms, catering and trades are in the Pre-Function space.

#### **Briefing For First-time Attendees**

All first-time conference attendees are invited to attend a Briefing at 8.30am in the pre-function area. This Briefing will give you an outline of what to expect and inform you of any additional information you may require. Please join us for this short session to help ensure that your Conference experience is enjoyable.

#### **Notices**

There will be a noticeboard kept in the pre-function area during conference and any relevant information, changes in details etc. will be posted here. Please ensure that you check the board daily.

#### **Conference Plenary Sessions**

Delegates are encouraged to participate fully and attend all Plenary sessions. These will take place in the Rutherford Room. Breakout sessions for Industry Issues will occur in the Hillary and Seddon rooms on the Mezzanine level.



#### **Registered Partners**

Registered Partners are those that have paid the full Partners Registration Fee and will receive their own Delegates Pass.

Registered Partners are invited to attend the Opening session on Thursday morning, and the AGM & Closing session on Friday afternoon, along with morning and afternoon teas, lunches, the Wednesday Evening networking event, and the Thursday Gala Night. A Welcome High Tea event will be held at 11.00am on Thursday 16th May. Please assemble in the Pre-function area.

Those companions who have only been registered to attend the Thursday Gala Evening are not permitted to attend any of the above activities.

#### Accommodation

For those of you who have indicated to us that you will be staying, accommodation has been booked for you in the hotel. You will be sent a confirmation email this week. Please check into the hotel as per normal — you will need to present a credit card. On your departure from the hotel all other additional room expenses (excluding accommodation) are required to be settled directly with the hotel.

Please note: Check in time is from 2pm. Check out time is 11.00am

#### **Breakfast**

Your room cost per night DOES include Breakfast. Either 1 or 2 per room per night depending on your original booking.

#### **Parking**

Those staying in the hotel who indicated they would require parking; this has been booked and is included in your accommodation.

Daily Parking rates for those not staying in the Hotel are: \$6t.00 per person 76.30am - 5.30pm.

There is free parking available on the surrounding streets.

#### Taxis/Transport

If you require a taxi or shuttle service:

- The Hotel can book/order taxis for you. Please enquire at reception
- Rotorua Taxis +64 7 348 1111
- Taxi Cabs Rotorua +64 7 347 9797

Taxi companies are available for all flights from Rotorua Airport.

Estimated Travel Times are: 15—30 mins (depending on traffic) to the Hotel (Approx 10km).

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#### **Events & Catering**

Information in this section covers catering and the evening events.

#### **Special Catering Needs**

If you have any special catering needs (ie vegetarian, gluten intolerant, Halal etc. could you please let us know immediately if you have not already done so.

#### Morning Tea/Afternoon Tea

Morning tea, lunches and afternoon teas will be served in the pre-function area. All Delegates & Registered Partners are invited to attend these. These have been kindly sponsored by Willis Towers Watson, Blender, PIL and eXsource.

#### Lunch

Lunch will be served in the Pre-Function area All Delegates & Registered Partners are invited to attend. These have kindly been sponsored by Premium Tooling China and Chemiplas NZ Ltd.

Manufacturing Networking Event - Wednesday 15th May For those of you who have indicated you will be arriving

early to join us for this event, please note the following important information.

This event is being held OFFSITE at SCION

Time: 5.00pm - 7.30pm

Venue: SCION Innovation Centre,

Titokorangi Drive (Formerly Longmile Road),

Whakarewarewa, Rotorua 3010

Transport: Transport will leave from outside the hotel at

5.00pm for SCION and will return

to the hotel at 7.30pm.

If you miss the buses or live locally, please find your own way to the venue.

Please make sure you arrive at the venue by 5.25pm at the latest for the formal welcome to the event.

Photographs may be taken at this event and used in publications by SCION or Plastics NZ. Please let us know if you DO NOT want to be included in these.

The remainder of this night is a FREE evening for delegates.



#### 78th Annual Conference Gala Dinner - Thursday 16th May

This year's Gala Dinner is being held at the Novotel Rotorua Lakeside Hotel in the Rutherford Room and is kindly sponsored by

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In recognition of Plastics New Zealand's 80th Anniversary the theme for the evening is **80's**.

Dress up as much or as little as you like as your favourite 80's icon. (A list of costume suggestions is at the end of this document)

The evening will commence at 5.30pm with pre-dinner drinks and canapés in the pre-function area.

At 6.30pm we will move into the Rutherford Room. Please choose your seats with friends (A number of tables will be reserved at the front for special guests). After a formal welcome and Competenz Award Presentations, dinner will commence from 7.00pm.

After dinner the Waikato branch will host a fun quiz night, full of laughter, games and prizes for your entertainment. Plastics New Zealand presentations will follow the first quiz sessions, before the second part of the quiz will commence. Questions will be wide ranging and challenging so make sure you bring you bring your best trivial knowledge!

#### Friday 17th May Evening - Casual Dinner

If you are staying on for Friday night and are interested in attending a casual group dinner, we will be dining out at a venue (TBC) in Eat Street.

Everybody can order from the normal menu, and you will pay for your own meals and drinks.

We will assemble in the hotel bar from 6.00pm and head down to the venue for 7.15pm

Please let Kelly know if you will be attending.



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#### Pre-conference Golf - Wednesday 15th May 2024

Time: Tee off 10.30am

Venue: Springfield Golf Club, 150 Devon Street West,

Rotorua 3015

Separate information will be sent out to all registered golfers detailing the golf draw for the day. Please let us know if your flights will not arrive in time for the start of the

Dress Code: Smart casual golfing attire. Appropriate footwear or golf shoes must be worn. Golf shoes (preferably with soft spikes) or running shoes. Golf shoes that have been worn on the course should not be worn in the clubhouse.

#### And finally ....

If you have any questions prior to or during the conference please don't hesitate to ask myself or one of the Waikato Branch Committee Members.

On behalf of Plastics New Zealand and the Waikato Branch we hope that you enjoy this year's conference and look forward to seeing you there.

Kind regards

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### 78th Annual Conference Gala Dinner

## Thursday 16th May 2024

'80's' Themed Event Quiz Night

#### Here are some starter 'Favourite 80's' costume ideas

- The Breakfast Club
- The Shining Twins
- The Princess Bride
- Ghostbusters
- Dirty Dancing
- Back to the Future
- Teen Wolf
- Aliens
- Rambo
- Die Hard
- Terminator
- Blade Runner
- RoboCop
- Lethal Weapon
- Karate Kid
- Mad Max
- Gremlins
- Beetlejuice

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- Twins
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- Who framed Roger Rabbit
- Star Wars
- Top Gun
- The Little Mermaid
- Labyrinth
- The Goonies
- RIG
- Batman
- Dukes of Hazzard
- Baywatch
- Strawberry Shortcake
- Alvin and the Chipmunks
- Waldo
- Thingy
- Care Bears
- Elmo
- The Simpsons
- Fraggle Rock

- The A Team
- The Golden Girls
- 80'Soap Star Dallas, Dynasty
- Knight Rider
- Cheers
- MacGyver
- Fame
- Miami Vice
- Hill Street Blues
- 21 Jump Street
- ALF
- Charlies Angels
- The Greatest American Hero
- Married with Children
- Magnum PI
- Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles
- Indiana Jones
- **CHIPS**
- George Michael
- Michael Jackson
- Cyndi Lauper

- Boy George
- Hall and Oates
- Olivia Newton-John
- Freddi Mercury
- **David Bowie**
- Prince
- Madonna
- Axl & Slash
- **Duran Duran**
- Billy Idol
- **Bob Geldof**
- '80s Andre Agassi
- Michael Jodan
- Diego Maradonna
- Rick Astley
- Martina Navratilova
- Torvill & Dean Richard Hadlee
- John Walker
- Hulk Hogan
- Lady Di