THE ROUNDUP

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Our Team... Your Success

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BRENDEN'S BROADCAST

Well, Well, Well, the weather has certainly improved for the best during May with mild temperatures and clearer skies, thankfully.

Things remain relatively busy with some potential new opportunities on the horizon with TMR, TCC and RoadTek. I have also been speaking with a few prospects in Townsville and Cairns in preparation for some work that will be coming up over the next 6 to 12 months.

SGPS is sponsoring the IPWEAQ NQ Branch conference here in Townsville in June. It is a big year for Northern Queensland as the State Conference will be in Cairns in October this year as well. Matt Schembri will be representing SGPS and welcome delegates to the meet and greet dinner.

This week Luke, Jack and I attended the Western Queensland Council Alliance assembly in Richmond which SGPS was proud to be one of the platinum sponsors of the event. The assembly consisted of 22 western councils from the northwest central west and southwest of the state. It is evident that this group as a collective voice will be a formidable organisation in lobbying to State and Commonwealth Governments to ensure that they remain sustainable into the future. It was interesting to note some key facts like the population balance of the alliance council areas was 60% of Queensland's population a few decades ago. This has completely reversed with only 40% of the state's population living in that area now. The lack of connectivity digitally and physical, housing shortages, high airfares, health facilities, education facilities and other economic opportunities has forced the formation of the alliance. What this means for SGPS, is in years to come there will be good opportunity in these rural areas to assist in building stronger communities.

At present the capacity of SGPS is almost completely utilised with the odd exception of some projects that are ramping down, but we will have others ramping up soon. There will be some pressure that will come from clients to assist them with fast tracking work activities due to increased stimulus funding and the continuation of some other major funding programs. In such circumstances we need to remain vigilant and operate with integrity as I am sure scope clarity and roles and responsibilities will not be clear or well defined, it will more likely be the case of just make it happen, so care must be taken.

Recent feedback from clients has continued to be very good and whilst I have not spoken with every client over the past month, I have sought feedback from the majority of them. Repeat work is increasing which is another sign that we are performing for our clients. Keep up the great work!

The Midyear function on the 10th of July is a must attend as there is so many introductions and catchups that need to occur and collaborative discussions to be had over dinner and drinks.

Hope you all enjoy the weekend ahead and make the most of the mild weather during this glorious time of year.

The SGPS Way

Word's of wisdom from

Luke St. George

"Even the strongest hands can lose their grip, the greatest of minds can become cloudy, and the biggest of hearts can break. **So, Be Kind**. Just always be **kind**".

NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS! Thank you to everyone sending pictures of their weekend activities, projects, and more! Please keep the content rolling in. We love to keep the team updated on all things SGPS, and extra-curricular! Email your goodies to admin@sgps.com.au

project spotlight

Townsville Ring Road 5 (TRR5)

Derryn Boland, Dan Crawford, Mil Jayaratne, Jack Willcox

Townsville Ring Road Stage 5 is currently in the design phase, with Detailed Design Packages starting to come through from AECOM & Georgiou.

The CAV team has had a re-shuffle of personnel with the departure of our Contract Administrator Pat MacGinley, with our very own Derryn Boland being brought back from E2G to join the team as the new CA. Derryn was "so excited to be joining the team", that he brought home a few party favours from Cairns. Unfortunately, the team missed the spectacle with these exploding prematurely…

Dan, Derryn, & Jack have been busy working with Georgiou to facilitate a smooth transition from design to construction, with Mil assisting the team with reviews of management plans, TGS' and the Georgiou's Temporary Traffic Staging Plan.

Glen Stephens has also joined the SGPS team this month, and is already adding significant value to the project.

The SGPS Team is very excited to move out to site in the coming weeks, with the project expecting to commence with construction activities in June.

We would like to welcome Johannes Inoke to the SGPS team! Jan is currently assisting Matt with the Water Main Charters Towers Road Replacement, Burdekin St to Goldring St Project for TCC.

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Congratulations to Andrew Mee on being awarded his RPEQ and Paul Marano on completing his Certificate III in Civil Construction (Road Construction and Maintenance).

The St. George Project Services Mid-Year Function is fast approaching. Make sure you have Saturday 10th July, 2021 marked in your diaries. This year it will be held at the Mecure Inn.

Stay tunned for more details!

WESTERN QUEENSLAND ALLIANCE OF COUNCILS

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ASSEMBLY 2021

Richmond Shire Council hosted the Western Queensland Alliance of Councils (WQAC) seminar this week where Luke, Brenden and Jack represented SGPS. WQAC is a collaboration between the three regional organisations in Western Queensland. The 3 day program included presentations and discussions with industry experts, senior local, state and federal representatives.

DON'T FORGET!

All SGPS vehicles must be serviced every 10,000km. Please ensure servicing is kept up to date. Call Jodie at the office on 07 4755 4408 to book your next service.

Sheree has been putting her artistic skills to work and designed these new promotional banners for SGPS. Well done Sheree!!!

TMR have recently released new roles under the Infrastructure Building Construction Panel (IBCP). These roles are replacing the old MP11811 roles. Sheree and Jodie are currently working on your CV's to reflect the Technical Brief Qualifications and Experience required for each role. These will be forwarded to you for checking prior to submission. If you can please assist us with this. These need to be submitted to TMR by 30th June at the latest.