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# Trafinz

NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2020



## New Journeys in Mobility for Aotearoa

Nga Huringa Hou  
i roto i te Pakihi

Cordis Hotel,  
83 Symonds St, Auckland  
29-31 August 2021



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# FROM THE TRAFINZ TEAM

## *ANDY FOSTER & THE TRAFINZ EXECUTIVE TEAM*

We are sorry that we were not able to run our conference in Auckland this year, but as you will probably know we have reset it for 29 – 31 August 2021.

Meantime, we are working on a series of shorter meetings on topical transport issues. These will be hosted in various centres and will allow face to face involvement and also remote participation by Zoom. There will be more information on this early next year.

As the new government looks to develop and implement its transport policies there will be opportunities to assist with an evidence based view on behalf of our communities, through submissions and discussions with the officials concerned.

However, now it is time to recharge, to spend time with those that matter most to you, and to think about the changes you can help make in our country in 2021.

We'd love to have you involved in TRAFINZ to help us in our work.

We wish you all a safe and happy Christmas and New Year.



Best wishes  
**Andy Foster and the Trafinz  
Executive Team**



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# NEWS FROM TRAFINZ

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## WELCOME TO NEW EXECUTIVE

The following people have been welcomed to the Trafinz Executive:



**Bryan Sherritt**  
Auckland Transport



**Nick Sargent**  
Dunedin City Council



**Nigel King**  
Waikato Regional Council

To view a full list of the Executive visit the website [here](#).



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## UPCOMING WORKSHOP

Mark your diaries' for the a school travel planning workshop for **31 March 2021**.

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## NEXT NEWSLETTER

The next Trafinz newsletter will be released in February 2021. If you have any interesting items or things to contribute please let [Brian Hasell](#) know.

Material will be required by **22 January 2021**.



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**TRAFINZ CONFERENCE 29 - 31 AUG 2021**

### REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN!

We welcome registrations for the Trafinz 2021 conference. Early bird pricing is available now, through to July 2021.

[www.trafinzconference.co.nz/registration-21](http://www.trafinzconference.co.nz/registration-21)

### CONFERENCE THEME

We have invited our transportation partner, the Australasian College of Road Safety, to join us with our theme being 'New journeys in Mobility for Aotearoa' and the diverse and equitable countries of the world.

The context of 'Safe' Urban Mobility has been completely re-defined in recent months as the world-wide pandemic sends all our systems – public health, transport, financial, regulatory etc – cascading into one another and changing our community life in surprising ways.

Aotearoa has approached this challenge together in a unique and successful way - 'He Waka Eke Noa'. Old journeys have ceased, and entirely new ones have begun.

The conference will focus on:

- creating or supporting communities in transportation
- implementation of the 'road to zero' strategy
- accessibility for people and their wellbeing
- smart technology and new journeys.



MC, entertainer, Mad Hatter, Ali G impersonator... costumed, dancing, bouncing about the place... yes, that guy is back as our Master of Ceremonies for 2020. Andie is one of the founding members of The Court Jesters, the improvisation and corporate entertainment arm of the Court Theatre. He was also a member of The Outwits, who were labelled "the best MC's in NZ".

### DRAFT PROGRAMME COMING SOON!

We had a great response to our call for presenters and will have a draft programme available soon.

### CONFERENCE SPONSORS

We are thrilled to welcome the following sponsors, with more to come. Don't miss out, to check out the sponsor opportunities visit:

[www.trafinzconference.co.nz](http://www.trafinzconference.co.nz)

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# NEWS FROM AUSTRALIA

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## *Note from a webinar hosted by 3M, 20 November 2020*

***Everyone has the right to get home safe to  
their loved ones- no exceptions!***

This is the message of the Australia National Road Safety Week each year. Peter Frazer started up a national organisation, SARAH - Safer Australian Roads and Highways after his daughter was killed in a roadside crash on the 110km/h Hume Highway in 2012.

Her vehicle had broken down on a section with below standard width shoulders and she and a break-down truck driver were both killed by a passing truck.

Peter raised a petition to the State Government, lobbied for higher standards of road construction and maintenance and also focused on driver education. Each subsequent year during the National Road Safety Week drivers are encouraged to "take the pledge" to drive so that others survive.

For the safety messages used in the latest week beginning 15 November 2020 see <https://roadsafetyweek.com.au/>



*Peter hands over his petition to the NSW  
Premier*

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# WELCOME NEW MINISTER OF TRANSPORT

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Trafinz welcomes the new Minister of Transport Michael Wood. Michael is the MP for Mt Roskill, Minister of Transport and Minister for Workplace Relations and Safety. He is also Deputy Leader of the House.

Michael was first elected to Parliament at the 2016 Mt Roskill by-election. In opposition he was Labour's spokesperson for Transport, Revenue, and Consumer Affairs and after the 2017 election was appointed as Parliamentary Under-Secretary to the Minister for Ethnic Communities and became Chair of the Finance and Expenditure Select Committee. He became Labour's Senior Whip in mid-2019.

As MP for New Zealand's most diverse electorate, Michael is closely connected to New Zealand's vibrant and growing ethnic communities and is focused on ensuring that every person regardless of background has the ability to flourish and reach their fullest potential in our country. He also has a particular interest in Auckland's urban development and is a keen supporter of more high-quality affordable housing, and rapid public transport.

Prior to becoming an MP he was on the Puketāpapa local board so has a good understanding of transport issues at a local level. He and his family are regular users of public transport and he's not afraid to get around on a bike (including in a suit).

Michael is a strong supporter of present policy settings. On Labour's website he says: "I've gone through the GPS in great detail and I think it's a great piece of work that embeds the progress we've had in transport over the last three years"



*Minister of Transport, Michael Wood*



# Join us at 2WALKandCYCLE Ōtepoti Dunedin, 16th - 19th March 2021



View the programme and register at: [www.2walkandcycle.co.nz](http://www.2walkandcycle.co.nz)

A snapshot of some of our fabulous speakers...  
Check out the conference programme online for more!



Dr Ihirangi Heke



Prof Shanthi Ameratunga



Toby Stoff



Alexandra Macmillan



Cr Pippa Coom



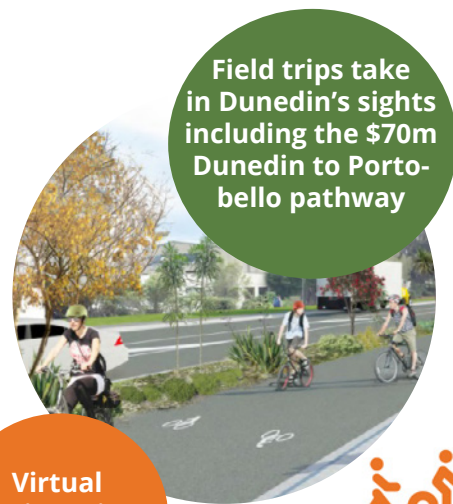
Aaron Hawkins



Melody Smith



Patrick Reynolds



Field trips take in Dunedin's sights including the \$70m Dunedin to Portobello pathway

Virtual Registration available



Great speakers, workshops, practical tours & social events!

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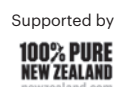
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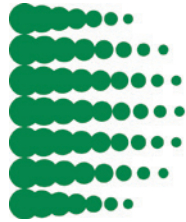
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he oranga mā te katoa



## Thanks to our 2021 Sponsors & Exhibitors



2021 is THE YEAR to Walk and Cycle! Register to attend in person or virtually TODAY



# Decarbonising Transport

Transportation Conference 9 - 12 May 2021  
Hilton, Auckland

## Transportation Group 2021, Hilton Auckland, 9 - 12 May 2021

We are excited to announce Transportation Group Conference will now be hosted at the Hilton Auckland from Sunday 9th - Wednesday 12th May 2021! What a stunning venue offering outstanding water views.

The conference will now be hosted a few days later than originally planned. Update your calendar and join the conversation on Decarbonising Transport.

9th - 12th of May 2021, Hilton Auckland



New venue & dates!

## Thanks to our Transportation Group 2021 Sponsors & Exhibitors

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## Greg Ellis is back to MC the conference for the 11th consecutive year!

We're delighted to have Greg back on stage for the 11th consecutive year! Greg graduated from Victoria University in 1992 with a BA in Theatre and Film. He taught comedy & improvisation throughout the country for 17 years at secondary and tertiary levels. He has held the Secondary Schools, University, National and Commonwealth Theatresports titles.

He has represented New Zealand at Theatresports twice - firstly as part of a Commonwealth competition in 1992 and then at the World Championships in 2006.



Greg Ellis returns as MC in 2021!



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