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GAMAA's 52nd AGM

GAMAA's AGM was held Thursday 15 September with around 22 members attending.

The members were advised that Nominations for the GAMAA Council had been received and as the number did not exceed the number allocated under the Constitution no election was required. The Executive Officer presented the following list of Councillors whose nominations were accepted for the Executive Council:

President

- Andrew Creek, SIT Gas Controls

Executive Council

- Leon Bogers, Rinnai Australia
- Ian Forte, Electrolux Home Products
- Paul Allwood, Seeley International
- Peter Faase, DUX Hot Water
- Anthony Edwards, Robert Bosch
- Gareth Jennings, Rheem Australia
- Paul Bains, Comcater
- Ross Jamieson, SIT Gas Controls

Andrew Creek presented his President's Report for 2015/16 and is attached for your information.

2016 President's Report

Members of GAMAA, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I am pleased to present to you an overview of the activities of GAMAA during the preceding 12 months.

The last year has been busy and rewarding in many areas. However, there are issues that are requiring intense attention to ensure that gas remains a viable fuel of choice for Australian consumers.

Your elected council members continue to work together for the benefit of all members, and the maintenance and improvement of our position in this important industry.

I would like to thank our recently elected councillors who have added additional breadth to our experience and capabilities.

Paul Bains from Comcater has wide experience in commercial catering equipment and has incredible enthusiasm to ensure that all appliances comply with the requirements for manufacturing and safety.

The resale of second hand appliances without compliance requirements is an outstanding issue hotly pursued by Paul.

Ross Jamieson from SIT Gas controls has added strength in the components area and particularly in the Standards writing and maintenance area. Ross has successfully revamped and now Chairs the AG013 components committee and has achieved significant changes to the requirements.

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Both Paul and Ross also represent GAMAA on the AG001 Appliance committee joining other members.

Leon Bogers Rinnai Australia is also representing GAMAA on AG001 and his technical knowledge and strength has lifted our profile within our industry.

Of course all other serving Councillors continue to provide valuable and wise input to our special areas of expertise.

We continue to engage with other like Industry Associations in order to understand and to share issues that face our Industry.

Invited to a recent GAMAA Council meeting Mr Ben Wilson Chief Executive Gas Networks Australia presented an overview of this operation. Mr Wilson was pleased to share his vision with us.

We are fortunate that long term member of GAMAA Michael Llewellyn is part of this group of companies and an active participant in technical meetings and issues.

Our Involvement with Standards Australia continues at high level, and has seen the reinstatement of the AG013 Gas Components Committee with GAMAA Councillor Ross Jamieson and the new Chairman.

The E3 review committee has changed direction dramatically.

Gas Appliances are no longer a focus for Equipment Energy Efficiency as the possible savings are not significant. Our members with significant appliance products other than gas continue to follow the E3 review committee proceedings.

The requirement to comply with the NMI (National Measurement Institute) use of SI units for pressure on all components has been adopted by Ross Jamieson who has followed this issue.

Ross has achieved an excellent outcome, whereby this issue will be addressed within the components standards and is now Chairman of AG013 Components committee.

GAMAA's representatives on Standards committees.

GAMAA is a significant "Nominating Organisation" to Standards Australia Gas Industry Sector.

We have 38 representatives working on 17 Standards committees, and many are representing us on more than one committee. This is a very large contribution to the success of our industry, and we must thank our member companies and the individual "volunteers" who continue to strive to achieve our goals of safety, efficiency and world standard performance.

GAMAA has appointed Ross Jamieson to be the primary contact for Standards Australia matters.

Australian Gas Industry Trust

GAMAA is a foundation member of the AGIT education trust fund.

AGIT assumed responsibility for Australia's Charter membership of the International Gas Union (IGU).

AGIT has successfully conducted LNG18 in Perth in April 2016.

Gas Speak will again be conducted in Canberra in late August.

It is disappointing that only one participant has been provided by a GAMAA member company. The Colloquium has been held continuously since 1982 this event has been a huge success for all participants. Once again Chris Blogg and I will be mentors.

New members

I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge our new members who have joined GAMAA in the last 12 months:

- SAI Global
- Aurora Climate Systems
- Scandia Heating



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Our membership continues to grow and I can assure all members both the Executive Councillors together with our Technical Committee are actively working with Government and Regulatory stakeholders to ensure member's and broader industry issues are being addressed and resolved.

Conclusion

As in previous years, I would like to thank all members of GAMAA for your participation and particularly those members of the Standards Committees who work tirelessly for the benefit of all. You are the backbone of our industry. To the members who actively support our Technical Committee meetings, I also extend our sincere thanks.

I also extend our thanks to our member company's management who continue to support the work of GAMAA. Your Councillors have dedicated many hours to ensuring that we remain relevant, and continue to address the matters that are important.

Thanks also to Ai Group for the professional administrative support.

Lastly I would like to thank Jon Onley our Executive Officer and Ai Group staff for constant and reliable attention to details in all of our deliberations.

GAMAA has I believe conducted its affairs and involvement in our industry matters actively and professionally, and I am sure that we have made strong impressions on those with whom we have engaged.

Sincerely

**Andrew Creek
President**

8th August 2016

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