



Registered Master Builders

Registered Master Builders Federation Conference 2011

Rendezvous Hotel
Auckland 25-26 June

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Conference Programme

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Welcome from our President



It will be my great pleasure, as President of the Registered Master Builders Federation (RMBF), to preside over our 111th annual conference in Auckland City. It is has been well over 10 years since the conference was in the central city. I encourage you all to make the most of the wonderful sightseeing, entertainment and culinary options on offer in our largest city.

This will be my thirteenth conference since becoming involved with RMBF and I continue to get immense reward from attending. I look forward to the change in format where we have joined with the country's largest industry trade exhibition for the first time.

The last few years have undoubtedly been some of the toughest in our industry's history. Just when we were seeing signs of an increase in activity and consumer confidence, we have had to react to the impact of the earthquake in Christchurch.

The Government has signalled a significant tightening of spending in many areas. This will affect the decision making and spending by businesses and private individuals.

While these events will continue to have a major impact on our operating environment over years to come, there are some positive indications for us all. Regardless of this, margins will remain generally low and therefore there's probably never a better time than now to leverage off the benefits we receive as members of Registered Master Builders.

Much of this years' conference will be based around 'relationships'. We all know that a successful building project only happens as a result of teamwork, good communication and collaboration. Our conference programme incorporates sessions emphasising the importance of teamwork and collaboration. We are confident that this programme will give you something tangible to take away and work with in your business.

At this conference, key industry leaders, decision makers, industry stalwarts, and of course members, will gather to discuss trends, strategies, policy and options that face our industry as we move forward. We have tried to ensure we all have adequate time to enjoy each other's company and mix and mingle.

I encourage you to attend and get as many of your fellow members from your region to join you in Auckland. The opportunity to network with like-minded people belonging to the Building and Construction Industry's leading organisation is second to none.

Blair Cranston
President - Registered Master Builders Federation

Welcome from the Auckland Association



Delegates, Sponsors, Colleagues – welcome to a Super Conference, in a Super City, hosted by a Super Association!

The Auckland Association would like to sincerely welcome you all to this innovative conference and congratulate you for taking the initiative to improve your own businesses as well as the industry in general.

A special welcome to our colleagues and friends from the South Island's West Coast and from Canterbury and the surrounding associations, who have endured incredible suffering and loss mixed with the need for a quick turn around to support and rebuild your communities - our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

The Auckland Association encompasses an area stretching from the Coromandel in the South through to Cape Reinga in the North and out to both coasts in between. We encourage you to indulge in all the region has to offer.

From cruising the Hauraki Gulf, a trip to enjoy the many wineries on Waiheke Island, a dive trip to the Poor Knights marine reserve at Tutukaka, through to an adrenalin filled ride to the Hole in the Rock in the Bay of Islands, or just relaxing with your feet in a pool on hot water beach in the Coromandel, there is something for you all.....and from what I understand you may even find a place to enjoy a latté!!

Your conference 2011 experience is breaking new ground in partnering up with the Buildnz/Designex trade show to offer you a fantastic mix of learning opportunities, free time and social gatherings.

From the vastness of the area, to the outer islands, and the inner city centre we have something to ensure you ALL will have a truly memorable visit and leave inspired to improve your lot.

Welcome to you all!

Darrell Trigg
President - RMB Auckland Association

Conference Information

Accommodation

We are holding accommodation at the Rendezvous Hotel, Mayoral Drive, Auckland.

If you have indicated on the on-line registration form that you would like XPO Exhibitions to arrange your accommodation, they will do this for you and confirm your booking and cost directly to you via email.

Payment for your accommodation is to be made upon checking out.

Travel

You will need to make your own travel arrangements to Auckland.

Conference Business Sessions

Day One - (Saturday 25 June) will be held at the Rendezvous Hotel, Mayoral Drive, Auckland.

Day Two - (Sunday 26 June) we will transport all delegates to the ASB Showgrounds in Greenlane for the Buildnz/Designex exhibition and seminars.

Car Parking

There is car parking available at the Rendezvous Hotel in Mayoral Drive, Auckland. Please note there will be a charge for this.

Dress

Smart casual dress will be the order of the day throughout the conference, business sessions and functions - with the exception of the PlaceMakers Gala Dinner which is Evening Dress/Suit.

Privacy Act

Details given on your registration form will be included on a delegate list which will be included in the list of participants, and distributed to those attending conference, including sponsors. If you DO NOT wish your contact details to appear on this list, please mark the appropriate box on the on-line registration form.

Special Requirements

Any attendees with special requirements (for instance prescribed medical diets, disabled access, special facilities for babies etc) are asked to advise details on the registration form.

Sponsor Trade Stands

All trade stands will be located at the ASB Showgrounds in Greenlane, Auckland. All delegates will be transported to this venue on day two of conference.

On day two, morning and afternoon tea, lunch and the Happy Hour will be held at the Showgrounds .

Registration

To register go to: www.buildnz.com/rmbf

XPO Exhibitions are managing the registration and accommodation booking process. If you have any queries please contact them on 0800 367 976.

Final Registration Date

Package prices will be guaranteed until final registration date.

Price and packages may be subject to availability after that date.

Payment Options

Payment options are by Credit Card or Direct Credit to XPO Exhibitions. Full account details are on the on-line registration form.

Delegate Package

Full registration includes:

- Evening functions including Happy Hours
- Attendance to all conference Business Sessions
- Attendance to the buildnz/designex Exhibition
- All morning teas and lunches as per programme
- Conference satchel

Partner Programme

Partners registration includes:

- Partners Tour on Saturday 25 June
- Evening functions including Happy Hours
- Attendance to all conference Business Sessions
- Attendance at the buildnz/designex exhibition
- All morning teas and lunches as per programme

Sponsor Package

All inclusions and costs as per the benefit schedule appended to the sponsorship contract. **All sponsor company representatives must register on-line.**

Registration Fees

Full/Partner Registration (excl accommodation)	\$650.00
ITM Welcome Function only	\$175.00
PlaceMakers Gala Dinner only	\$220.00

All prices are GST exclusive.

Contact Details

If you have any queries please contact:

Tracey Bree or Larissa Garnett at RMBF on 0800 762 328
or
Niamh Finn or Irene Smith at XPO on 0800 367 976

Conference Programme

Saturday 25 June

8.00am	Registration Desk opens at Rendezvous Hotel
10.00am - 11.00am 11.00am - 11.30am	Morning Tea available Welcome Conference Address by RMBF President, Blair Cranston
11.30am - 12.30pm	Address from Hon Maurice Williamson
12.30pm - 1.15pm 1.15pm - 2.15pm	Lunch Celebrity Speakers: Michele A'Court and Jeremy Ellwood
2.15pm - 5.00pm 5.00pm - 6.30pm	RMBF AGM CMS Happy Hour - Mezzanine Bar (Rendezvous Hotel)
6.30pm - 7.00pm 7.00pm - 10.00pm 10.00pm	Transport to ITM Welcome Function ITM Welcome Function Transport to Rendezvous Hotel

Partners Tour

Leaves Rendezvous Hotel at approximately 11.00am

Sunday 26 June

9.00am	Coaches depart Rendezvous Hotel to the ASB Showgrounds
10.15am – 11.00am	Seminar 1 : State of the Nation (Warwick Quinn RMBF/Derek Baxter CBANZ)
11.00am – 12.00am	Morning Tea – Carters VIP Lounge and Trade Exhibition time
12.00am – 1.00pm	Seminar 2 : The Importance of Effective Collaboration - Deloitte House
1.00pm – 3.00pm	Lunch - Carters VIP Lounge and Trade Exhibition Time
3.00pm – 4.00pm	Seminar 3 : Canterbury - where to from here?
4.00pm - 5.00pm	Happy Hour at the NALCO Bar Shuttles commence runs back to Rendezvous Hotel
7.00pm onwards	PlaceMakers Gala Dinner - Rendezvous Hotel

Functions and Activities

ITM Welcome Function

Saturday 25 June
Blue Water Black Magic, Viaduct Harbour

A tribute to Sir Peter Blake, this stunning venue based at the Auckland Maritime Museum on the Viaduct is where we'll head for our ever popular Welcome Function.

Learn about the astonishing maritime achievements of a nation, which has at one time or another, held every significant blue-water sailing trophy in the world.

Dress: Smart Casual

Carters VIP Lounge

Sunday 26 June
ASB Showgrounds

All RMBF Conference delegates will be treated to their own private dining venue for morning tea and lunch at the buildnz/ designex exhibition. This gives our folk an opportunity to get away from the crowds for a while before heading back out to take in the country's biggest building and construction trade show.

Dress: Smart Casual

PlaceMakers Gala Dinner

Sunday 26 June
Grand Ballroom, Rendezvous Hotel

As previous attendees will know, the conference finale is always a special night.

We have a fantastic evening lined up at the Grand Ballroom of the Rendezvous Hotel including an internationally acclaimed entertainer who's coming back to New Zealand to appear especially for our conference. This will be a unique experience that we're sure will be enjoyed by all.

Dress: Evening/Suit

GIB Partners Programme

Saturday 25 June
The Foodstore, Viaduct Harbour and La Cigale, Parnell

First stop is The Foodstore New Zealand's first unique live food entertainment experience. With the country's only true "open" and "interactive" kitchen you will get up close and personal with NZ's best chefs as they create their culinary magic.

Next we'll take the group to La Cigale - French Market to enjoy tastings, fashion, afternoon tea and of course - shopping!!

For more information go to:
www.thefoodstore.tv
www.lacigale.co.nz

Guest Speakers

Hon Maurice Williamson

Minister for Building and Construction



It is our pleasure once again to have the Minister give the opening address at our conference.

The Minister's political career stems back to first joining the National Party in 1978 and then becoming the MP for Pakuranga in 1987 – and has held the seat ever since. Since then he has had many and varied parliamentary roles and, as well as our portfolio, he is the Minister of Customs, Statistics and Small Business – the last of which is also extremely critical to a good number of our members.

Politics aside, he is an active member of Rotary, is an awarded Toastmaster and has an avid interest in technology. His other major interests are sailing, tennis, music and photography and he is also a keen follower of rugby and cricket.

With so much going on in our industry at present, we're very keen to hear the Minister's latest news and views.

Michele A'Court and Jeremy Elwood



Recently named the female Comedian of the Decade, Michele is one of New Zealand's most recognised entertainers.

Her list of credits covers everything from corporate entertainment to international comedy festivals and nationwide solo shows. She is also known to RMB through her role as MC at a number of our House of the Year regional events.

Jeremy is a star of the country's stand up circuit, awarded Best Male Comedian in 2002. He's a regular on TV's 7 Days, a show that takes a very tongue in cheek approach to current affairs.

Also an accomplished MC, writer and performer, Jeremy is a master at impromptu and apparently throws a bit of song in too.

Michele and Jeremy are joining us at conference this year to tackle the subject of relationships and collaboration with regard to building and construction (and no doubt most things in life). With their combined wit with sharp sense of humour, this should make for a very entertaining session.

Michele A'Court and Jeremy Ellwood appear by arrangement with Celebrity Speakers (NZ) Ltd.

Seminar Speakers

State of the Nation

Warwick Quinn, CEO, RMBF

Derek Baxter, CEO, CBANZ



Continuing the theme of collaboration and working relationships, Warwick Quinn and Derek Baxter will give delegates a joint presentation of the industry view of our sector at present.

While RMBF and CBANZ may compete for members at one level, we are very much on the same page when it comes to wider industry issues and working together to ensure a healthy sector for all those involved.

The Importance of Effective Collaboration

Geoff Wicks, Brookfields Multiplex

Andrew Barclay, Warren and Mahoney



Builders and Architects of the 2010 RMB Commercial Project of the Year (Deloitte House), Geoff and Andrew are going to give us an insight of how this project came together through their fantastic working relationship.

Canterbury - Where to from here?

Hon John Carter, Member of Parliament for Northland

Graeme Beattie, BRANZ



Hon John Carter's parliamentary roles until recently included Minister of Civil Defence where he was heavily involved in the Canterbury Earthquakes. He will share with us his experience as the Minister during this crisis.

Graeme Beattie is currently the leader of the Residential Engineering Advisory Group for the DBH; a group dedicated to finding appropriate solutions for repair and re-building of houses in Christchurch. He will be sharing with us the insights of the Canterbury situation and the progress so far to finding the rebuilding solutions.