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WHAT IS PIANC?

The World Association for Waterborne Transport Infrastructure.

Bringing together experts on technical, economic, environmental and planning issues pertaining to waterborne transport infrastructure.

PIANC is the forum where professionals around the world join forces to provide expert guidance on cost-effective, reliable and sustainable infrastructure to facilitate waterborne transport.

PIANC (which historically stood for the Permanent International Association of Navigational Congresses) began in 1885 – one of the first international technical organisations, committed to regular global gatherings of experts to share knowledge and expertise.

A non-political and non-profit organisation, PIANC continues to be the leading partner for government and the private sector in the design, development and maintenance of ports, waterways and coastal areas. Members include national governments and public authorities, corporations and interested individuals.

At the core of PIANC's mission is the publication of high-quality Technical Reports realised by

international Working Groups. PIANC Working Groups are composed of participants from multiple member countries who have expertise in the issue being investigated. The groups gather, analyse, and consolidate international, state-of-the-art, best practice material to provide evidence-based guidance.

PIANC's other key pursuit is the organisation of international conferences, such as the Annual General Assembly (AGA), the biennial PIANC-Smart Rivers Conference, four-yearly PIANC COPEDEC Conference (for developing countries), and the four yearly PIANC World Conference, last held in Cape Town, South Africa, in 2024.

PIANC also organises more regionally focused biennial conferences such as PIANC Mediterranean Days, PIANC Americas, NordPIANC Meetings, and, since 2020, the PIANC Asia Pacific (APAC) Conference biennial series, hosted by our National Section.

PIANC Australia & New Zealand

PIANC Australia & New Zealand is one of the largest of the 32 National Sections within PIANC International. As at 31 December 2025 AU-NZ had 107 corporate members, 145 individual members and 28 student members.

Our core purpose is to provide technical leadership in the field of waterborne transport infrastructure to advance the community, economy and environment in Australia, New Zealand and surrounding regions.

What we do to fulfil our core purpose:

Share industry knowledge and best practices

- Deliver major events in our region, including the PIANC APAC and Coasts and Ports conferences.
- Deliver local events to share knowledge relevant to our members.
- Promote PIANC Technical Reports and other publications.

Bring people in our industry together

- Run events which provide opportunities for our people to meet and network.
- Promote engagement between PIANC AU-NZ members and the broader international PIANC community.

Provide industry leadership

- Work with the public sector and other industry bodies to provide technical leadership relating to waterborne transport infrastructure in our region.

Contribute to the international body of knowledge

- Nominate and support PIANC AU-NZ members to join relevant PIANC Working Groups.
- Actively contribute knowledge and experience for the development of PIANC publications.

Support the next generation of professionals in our industry

- Provide technical guidance which fills the gap beyond academic studies.
- Create opportunities for young professionals to meet and network with the broader industry.

Represent the interests of our members

- Provide representation on relevant PIANC Commissions.
- Engage with PIANC International to influence positive outcomes for PIANC AU-NZ, and PIANC as a whole.

THE CHAIR'S REPORT



PIANC Australia & New Zealand continues to grow – in strength, numbers and new ideas.



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A further five hundred people came to our major co-hosted conference in 2025, the biennial Australasian Coasts & Ports Conference, which we co-host with Engineers Australia, Engineering New Zealand Te Ao Rangahau, and the New Zealand Coastal Society. In 2025 this Conference with its theme 'Navigating the future – Climate Ready Coasts & Ports' was held in Adelaide from 18 – 21 August. With 508 registrations from around the region, and 173 papers presented, this was the most successful Coasts&Ports ever. A big thank you to our Local Organising Committee led by EA's Prof Andrew Pomeroy and our SA Regional Chapter Chair Paul Constance.

PIANC AU-NZ also held a successful pre-Conference one-day workshop on sustainable practises and decarbonisation strategies in the ports sector. 'From Strategy to Reality' brought practitioners and their expert knowledge together. The Board also checked progress and updated our own sustainability strategy in 2025. Thanks to Mark Bennet, Catherine Blaine and David Dack for all their work on that project.

Towards the end of 2025 our mentoring program began a new cohort of partnerships, which we are confident will continue the fruitful impact previous years have had for participants. Not surprisingly with all this activity, the year saw an increase in our membership – in October we passed our first century of corporate members! By the end of the year we had 107 corporate members, 145 individual members and 28 student members.



The year's end also saw an increase in our regular e-newsletter subscribers – up from 2,755 to 3,510 and in our social media outreach from 3,010 to 3,670 LinkedIn followers.

PIANC AU-NZ members continued to participate in many PIANC International Working Groups, as ordinary members, chairing or co-chairing, and mentoring. See more details within this report. In 2025 PIANC AU-NZ were proud to contribute two out of the four PIANC Climate Champions – Gildas Colleter for MarCom, and Greg Fisk for RecCom. Greg Fisk's replacement at the end of 2025 comes also from our region – congratulations to Toby Devlin.

Congratulations also to PIANC AU-NZ's Scott Keane for his appointment in 2025 as a Vice-President in PIANC HQ's Executive Committee (ExCom). Scott is only the second person from our region to serve on ExCom, following Neil Lawson's participation as a Vice-President from 2017-2021.

Our plans for 2026 include hosting the fourth PIANC Asia Pacific Conference in Brisbane on 25-27 August. This Conference theme is *Connecting and Sharing – Oceania and Asia-Pacific Neighbours*. Please come, you are all invited!

On a related matter, in 2025 the Board has formed a sub-group to progress Priority Objective #3.2 Provide support for smaller Pacific nations. We look forward to achieving more of our aims in 2026.

There is always a long list of people responsible for the continued success of PIANC AU-NZ to thank! A huge thank you to our hardworking Board, our Regional Chapters Chairs and Committees, our Technical Commission Leads, Young Professional leaders, Working Group participants, our administrative support contractors (all part time), our conference event managers East Coast Conferences, and all our members for your work, energy, passion and commitment. What a team we have!

LUKE CAMPBELL
Chair PIANC AU-NZ



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STRATEGIC PLAN

The Board of PIANC Australia & New Zealand articulated its purpose statement and priority goals in the 2025 -2026 Strategic Plan Available at <https://pianc.org.au/about/annual-strategic-plans/>

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What is most important for PIANC Australia & New Zealand, right now?

OUR PRIORITY OBJECTIVES FOR 2025-26

Shape the future of PIANC AU-NZ conferences

Supporting activities

- Define the purpose and vision for our conferences.
- Develop roadmap for the next 5-10 years
- Identify and implement initiatives for attracting a diverse group attendees and high-calibre speakers

Understand and expand PIANC AU-NZ membership

Supporting activities

- Map current and potential members
- Implement outreach strategies for the next generation
- Increase membership diversity

Strengthen international outreach and collaboration

Supporting activities

- Deepen relationships with emerging National Sections
- Provide support for Pacific Nations
- Enhance bilateral relationships with established sections
- Strengthen our support of PIANC International

Improve tools to empower PIANC AU-NZ members and contributors

Supporting activities

- Accessible marketing and communication tools
- Make website improvements Integration of PIANC HQ membership software with PIANC AU-NZ systems.
- Streamline board operations
- Refresh regional chapter guidelines



OUR PEOPLE

PIANC AU-NZ is a not-for-profit organisation managed and led by volunteers –working as Board members, in regional chapters, in young professional networks, in working groups, and as organisers of conferences. PIANC believes in bringing people together, and if we can get together, we will!

PIANC people

Standing L- R: Tom Shand (PIANC AU-NZ Board), Sam Isaacs (NSW Chapter Chair), Ron Cox (Board), Peter Engelen, (Deputy Chair Board), Laurence Benn, (AU-NZ Treasurer), Yanyan Zhang (YP NSW), Rhys Jones (Board) , Sam Mazaheri (QLD/NT Chapter Chair), Michel de Vos (Board), Mary O'Connell (AU-NZ Comms), Marty Bayley (Board), Greg Britton (Board), David Dack (Board), Paul Weston (EO- PIANC AU-NZ).

Seated: Neil Lawson (Board), Claire Treeby (Board), Catherine Blaine (Board), Luke Campbell (Chair PIANC AU-NZ).



NEW PACIFIC STRATEGY

PROVIDING SUPPORT FOR SMALLER PACIFIC NATIONS.

These included:

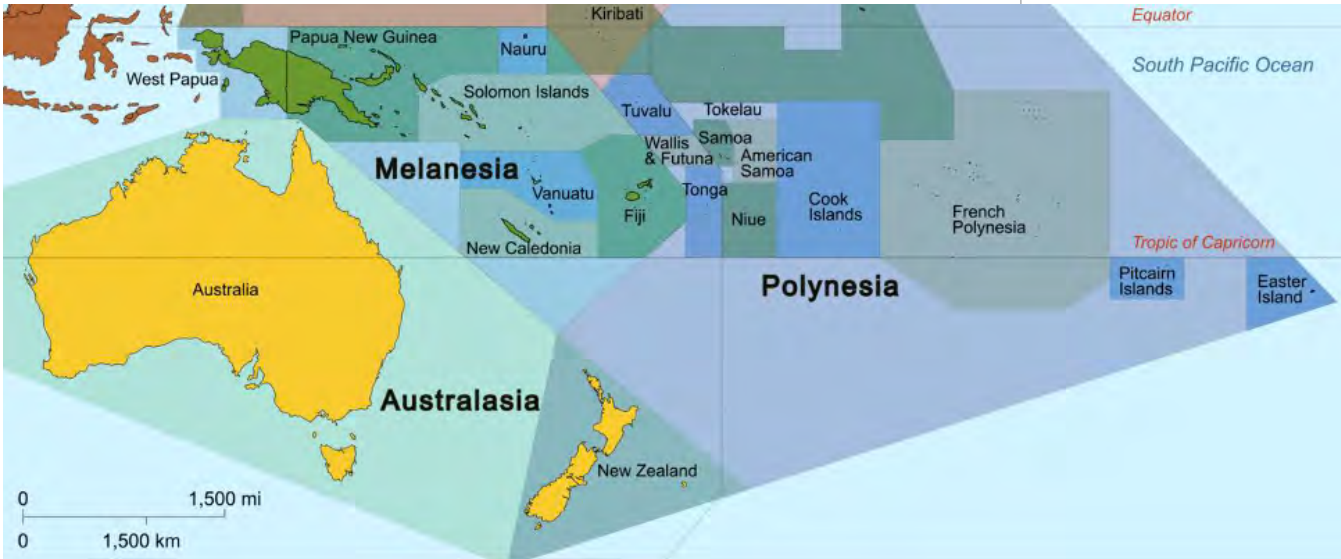
- Specific initiatives to support smaller Pacific nations, facilitating access to technical expertise and regional collaboration.
- Tailor outreach and engagement approaches to address the unique needs of smaller island nations.
- Support professionals from smaller island nations to attend our conferences, including COPEDEC fellowships and similar initiatives funded via a percentage of PIANC APAC conference profits.

As Tom Shand says, “The Pacific is the world's largest ocean, and its nations are central to maritime transport while navigating a unique set of opportunities and challenges. PIANC Australia–New Zealand is delighted to strengthen our relationships across the region, contribute our knowledge and expertise, and help connect Pacific ports and communities with the global PIANC network.”

In 2025 attendance by PIANC representatives at the 47th Pacific Maritime Transport Alliance (PMTA) Conference, held in Rarotonga, Cook Islands in August was an important first step. The PMTA Conference theme was ‘Building Stronger Pacific Ports, Regional Collaboration, Sustainable Infrastructure, and a Skilled and Resilient Workforce.’

Identifying and increasing our Pacific based membership and community data for more effective outreach was another step towards realising our goals for raising the awareness of PIANC in the Pacific, reaching Pacific technical staff and forming a Pacific chapter.

Also in 2025, we were delighted to welcome Solomon Ports as new corporate members of PIANC AU–NZ.



Tom Shand

PIANC AU–NZ’s Priority Objective #3: Strengthen International Outreach and Collaboration was developed during the Board’s annual strategy day in 2024. This objective intends to expand our international presence by deepening relationships, fostering two-way knowledge sharing, and growing influence within the Asia–Pacific region and beyond.

Priority Objective #3.2 was to *Provide Support for Smaller Pacific Nations*, and in early 2025 a new Board Sub-group (Tom Shand (Chair), Marty Bayley, Andrew Brown, Ron Cox, Scott Keane) was created to progress this objective.

Discussions were held to identify issues/needs, refine vision/goals and potential actions. A Strategic Plan was developed including goals, key results, tactics and required resources.

ABOVE: Port of Rarotonga, Cook Islands.

PIANC AU-NZ

THE BOARD

Members of our PIANC AU-NZ Board 2024-2026. Members are elected every two years at the AGM.

	MARTY BAYLEY General Manager Infrastructure & Commercial, Eastland Port, NZ		DAVID DACK Principal, Global Maritime Business Lead, Arup.
	LAURENCE BENN PIANC AU-NZ Treasurer Chief Engineering Officer, OMC International		MICHEL DE VOS Group Executive Major Projects, Assets and Technical Services (MPATS) at TasPorts.
	CATHERINE BLAINE General Manager Projects – Asset & Development, Port Authority of NSW		PETER ENGELEN PIANC AU-NZ Deputy Chair General Manager, Infrastructure at NSW Ports.
	GREG BRITTON PIANC AU-NZ Technical Commission Lead Technical Director, Haskoning Australia.		MIKE GALLACHER Ports Australia Representative CEO Ports Australia
	LUKE CAMPBELL PIANC AU-NZ Chair Director, Ports & Marine Lead at WGA (Wallbridge Gilbert Aztec)		RHYS JONES NCCOE Representative General Manager – Strategy & Growth at Darwin Port
	RON COX NCCOE* Representative Honorary Associate Professor, UNSW Civil & Environmental Engineering. * NCCOE – National Committee on Coastal and Ocean Engineering (NCCOE) of Engineers Australia (EA)		NEIL LAWSON Managing Director at Neil Lawson and Associates Pty Ltd

ARNE NILSEN

Principal & Design Director,
Ports & Maritime, Aurecon.

TOM SHAND

Practice Lead – Coasts & Water,
Tonkin + Taylor.

HARVINDER SINGH

Technical Director, GHD

CLAIRE TREEBY

PIANC AU-NZ Regional Chapter
Lead.

Director – Ports and Terminals,
Australia-Asia, at Hatch.

CONSULTANTS TO THE BOARD

SCOTT KEANE

PIANC AU-NZ Maritime
Commission Lead

Principal Industry Director –
Ports & Maritime, Stantec

JOEL BAILEY

Strategy Facilitator

Ports and Coastal Specialist.
Co-Founder, Impact Society

ADAM VAN DER BEEKE

PIANC AU-NZ Environmental
Commission Lead

Senior Environmental Advisor,
Fremantle Ports

BOARD SUPPORT

PATRICIA DU PREEZ

Membership

MARY O'CONNELL

Communications

PAUL WESTON

Executive Officer

PIANC AU-NZ TECHNICAL COMMISSION LEADERS

PIANC AU-NZ has national member representation on three of PIANC’s Technical Commissions – Environmental (EnviCom), Maritime Navigation (MarCom), and Recreational Navigation (RecCom). Our role is to promote participation in PIANC Working Groups by members in Australia, New Zealand and Pacific nations.

We also have representation on PIANC’s Executive Committee (ExCom), Financial Commission (FinCom), Commission for Countries in Transition – International Co-operation (CoCom), PIANC’s Permanent Task Group on Climate Change (PTGCC), Promotional Commission (ProCom), and Young Professionals (YP-Com).

All our Commission members work very hard to ensure PIANC AU-NZ stays connected and involved within our global community.

More information is on our website: pianc.org.au/about/pianc-technical-commissions/



FinCom ProCom
PIANC FINANCIAL & PROMOTION COMMISSIONS
NEIL LAWSON
Board Member PIANC AU-NZ



EnviCom
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
ADAM VAN DER BEEKE
Senior Environmental Advisor, Fremantle Ports



RecCom
RECREATIONAL NAVIGATION COMMISSION
GREG BRITTON
Board Member PIANC AU-NZ,



ExCom & MarCom
PIANC INTERNATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE & MARITIME NAVIGATION COMMISSION
SCOTT KEANE
Principal Industry Director – Ports & Maritime at Stantec



CoCom & PTGCC
INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION COMMISSION & PERMANENT TASK GROUP ON CLIMATE CHANGE
RON COX
Board Member PIANC AU-NZ



YPCom
YPCOM CHAIR AU-NZ
LISA WYNNE



YPCom
VICE-CHAIR ASIA PACIFIC
ANDREW BROWN



PIANC AU-NZ REPRESENTED AT THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF PIANC

Congratulations to PIANC AU-NZ’s Scott Keane for his appointment in mid-2025 as a Vice-President to PIANC International’s Executive Committee (ExCom).



ExCom is composed of the PIANC President, Secretary-General, four Vice-Presidents and the Chairpersons of each Commission, who meet three times a year. The Committee ensures the executive management of the Association and monitors the decisions and directives of the Council and the Annual General Assembly (AGA).

Scott, who is the Principal Industry Director – Ports and Maritime at STANTEC Australia, and our MarCom Technical Lead is only the second person from our region to serve on ExCom, following Neil Lawson’s participation as a Vice-President from 2017-2021.

Scott’s presence on ExCom will provide our region with a voice in the central decision making and governance of PIANC, while his extensive experience in academia, port management, shipping, marine systems, and maritime design will greatly benefit the PIANC international community.

Involved with PIANC AU-NZ since 2008, Scott has actively participated in PIANC regional and national events and driven engagement with the South Pacific. ‘I am excited to champion further engagement with the South Pacific and to supporting initiatives like driving member benefits, and increasing the industry’s global reach and financial resilience,’ he said.

L-R: Bumgou Kang, outgoing Vice-President, Scott Keane (new VP), Esteban Lefler (PIANC President) and Geert Van Cappellen (Secretary General)

TECHNICAL COMMISSION

CLIMATE CHAMPIONS

In 2020 PIANC established the position of Climate Champions for each of the Technical Commissions – Maritime Navigation (MarCom), Inland Waterways (incom), Environmental (EnviCom) and Recreational Navigation (RecCom).



Gildas Colleter



Greg Fisk



Toby Devlin

CLIMATE CHAMPIONS PROVIDE:

- 1 Expertise on climate change issues relevant to the work of the Commission
- 2 A link between the Commission and its activities and PIANC’s Permanent Task Group on Climate Change (PTGCC)
- 3 A conduit for the flow of technical and scientific information regarding climate change within PIANC.

PIANC AU-NZ was there from the start, with two of our members Gildas Colleter and Greg Fisk appointed to the new roles in MarCom and RecCom respectively.

Gildas is a chartered civil engineer based in Melbourne with experience in the study, design and construction of ports and coastal systems and infrastructure. “It’s fantastic to be part of PIANC,” Gildas said, “because this organization is going to lead our society and our maritime world in the transformations required by climate change, and we are tackling the problems in a practical manner.”

Greg is based in Brisbane and is a marine scientist and strategic advisor with over 25 years of experience delivering projects and studies involving waterways, coasts and oceans. Greg believed ‘strongly in practicality in terms of climate change response; while the science is complex, the most effective responses and solutions are the ones that are best understood and owned by the people who implement them.’

The function, outcomes and impact of the Climate Champion roles have been a great success, says PTGCC member and AU-NZ Board Member Honorary Associate Professor Ron Cox, “to which our region proudly contributed through the services of Greg Fisk (RecCom) and Gildas Colleter (MarCom). Both have provided exceptional service to the community, with their reports always focussed and informative.



NEW CLIMATE CHAMPION IN 2025 - TOBY DEVLIN

In mid 2025 Greg Fisk stepped down from the role, and in his place, PIANC International appointed yet another keen Aussie, Toby Devlin.

Toby has been a PIANC stalwart for some years, active in the Victorian Regional Chapter, and a winner of PIANC Young Authors awards at the Australasian Coasts & Ports Conference 2023. Toby’s award-winning paper discussed the design and construction of the new rock groyne constructed at the Point Richards boating facility in Portarlington, Victoria.

Toby volunteered to become a Climate Champion because, he says, ‘I believe in creating progressive, actionable solutions for industry. PIANC and the PIANC community are important parts of driving positive change.’

Current Climate Champions for the other technical commissions are InCom: Jeremy Giovand (USA) EnviCom: Luce Bassetti (USA)

REGIONAL CHAPTERS

Each Regional Chapter has an independent leadership committee with responsibility to manage its own regional events and communications while also reporting to and liaising with the PIANC AU-NZ Board. Each Regional Chapter leadership committee includes at least one Young Professional Representative (see p21).



NSW/ACT REGIONAL
CHAPTER CHAIR
SAM ISAACS



NEW ZEALAND
CHAPTER CHAIR
JONATHAN STEWART



QLD/NT REGIONAL
CHAPTER CHAIR
DR SAM MAZAHERI



SA REGIONAL
CHAPTER CHAIR
PAUL CONSTANCE



VIC REGIONAL
CHAPTER CHAIR
MARK BENNET



TAS REGIONAL
CHAPTER CHAIR
DAVID EWERS



WA REGIONAL
CHAPTER CHAIR
SHIRLEY DAWE

WELCOME MARK BENNET – REGIONAL CHAPTER CHAIR FOR VICTORIA

Congratulations and welcome to our new Victorian Chapter Chair, Mark Bennet, CPEng, a senior maritime engineer for WGA in Melbourne. He takes over from inaugural Regional Chair Laurence Benn, who steps down after six years of sterling leadership, but still busy as PIANC AU-NZ Treasurer!

Like Laurence, Mark has been a PIANC VIC stalwart for many years. Mark has been a dynamic part of our national Young Professional network, and is currently Acting Chair (Australia) of PIANC AU-NZ’s YP Commission. He is particularly involved in raising PIANC and the maritime industry’s profile to university students, many of whom don’t know about the exciting, challenging and varied career opportunities the industry offers.

Mark is passionate about PIANC. “It’s an extremely valuable and collegiate community”, he notes, “which does amazing things by working together. Many people don’t realise how crucial waterborne transport is to our economy, locally and worldwide. PIANC is actually on the front lines of some big challenges – sea level rise, climate change, the global energy transition, the circular economy, and we are tackling those challenges right now.”



MARK BENNET
Chair VIC chapter

WELCOME DAVID EWERS – REGIONAL CHAPTER CHAIR FOR TASMANIA

A chartered senior structural & maritime engineer, David has experience in the design and asset management of port structures around Australia. Since moving from Adelaide to Tasmania two years ago for family reasons, he has overseen the growth of WGA’s Hobart office, servicing not only Tasmania’s ports, but also clients across the resources, water and transport sectors.

David has been active in the PIANC Tasmanian regional chapter since his move to the island state. He takes over from the legendary Neil Lawson, inaugural Chair and founding member of the Regional Chapter. Like Neil, David is passionate about advancing PIANC’s dual missions of advancing technical knowledge sharing throughout the ports and maritime industry and facilitating networking amongst the engineering community.

This is particularly relevant for the Tasmanian chapter of PIANC, given the geographically diverse distribution of ports around the state and the relatively small population of the state that can contribute to a sense of isolation from the national and global engineering community.

David is excited to continue working with the amazing team at PIANC Tasmania to run drawcard events that bring people together and showcase the best of Tasmanian ports and maritime engineering.



DAVID EWERS
Chair TAS chapter

WELCOME JONATHAN STEWART - REGIONAL CHAPTER CHAIR FOR AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND



JONATHAN STEWART
Chair NZ chapter

Welcome to Jonathan (Jono) Stewart as the new Chair of PIANC Aotearoa New Zealand, who took up the leadership role from Matt McKee in late 2025. He is an experienced civil engineer and project manager with more than 19 years’ experience delivering major design and construction projects across the ports, marine, and civil infrastructure sectors in both New Zealand and Canada.

Jono had served as Deputy Chair of the Chapter for the previous two years, playing a key role in organising numerous successful PIANC events, helping to grow the organisation’s following across New Zealand.

“We want to sincerely thank Matt for his dedication, energy, and guidance in leading the growth and revitalisation of the NZ Chapter.” Jono said. “Under his leadership, the committee has gone from strength to strength, setting a solid foundation for continued growth and engagement across the sector.

We’re excited to head into next year with a refreshed team, ready to continue growing the PIANC NZ community and supporting our network through events, technical discussions, site visits, and social and networking opportunities. We’re here to help support everyone across the sector and continue building on the strong foundations already in place.”

Eastland Port, NZ –
Twin Berth project



YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND NATIONAL YP-COM REPRESENTATIVES

The Young Professional (YP) Commission is a vital part of PIANC’s future. It is dedicated to the career development of YP members (40 years of age and younger) locally, nationally and globally. PIANC AU-NZ YPs are one of the most active groups worldwide.

In 2025 PIANC AU-NZ YPs held leadership breakfast events in Brisbane and Christchurch, were active in outreach with university students in Brisbane, Gold Coast and Perth, and were busy in all regional chapters organising technical seminars and networking events.

Special shout out to SA YPs Uddish Singh and Monique Draycott who were active on the Coasts&Ports 2025 Conference Local Organising Committee.



LISA WYNNE
YPCom AU-NZ Chair
(On leave second part of 2025)



MARK BENNET
YPCom AU
Acting Chair



ANDREW BROWN
YP-Com NZ
PIANC YPCom
Vice Chair – Asia
Pacific Region.

REGIONAL CHAPTERS YP REPRESENTATIVES



NSW/ACT REGIONAL
YP REP
SHANE FREEMAN



QLD /NT REGIONAL
YP REP
JACK KLINER



SA REGIONAL YP REP
UDDISH SINGH



VIC REGIONAL YP REP
NEREA PALACIOS CALVO



TAS REGIONAL YP REP
TOBIAS ALDRIDGE



WA REGIONAL YP REP
MICHAEL FISHER



NEW ZEALAND YP COM LEAD
MATT SHEPPARD



2025 EVENTS

AUSTRALASIAN COASTS & PORTS 2025 CONFERENCE – ADELAIDE



Members of the LoC L-R
Luke Campbell, Ron Cox,
Gildas Colleter, Paul Constance,
Annabel Sandery, Jayne Hindle,
Andrew Pomeroy,
Murray Townsend, Uddish Singh
and Imran Lambay.

The Australasian Coasts & Ports Conference series is the pre-eminent forum in the Australasian region for maritime professionals to meet and discuss multi-disciplinary issues related to coasts and ports. Coordinated by Engineers Australia and PIANC AU-NZ, the conference series is shared with the New Zealand Coastal Society and Engineering New Zealand.

Our 2025 theme was Navigating the Future: Climate Ready Coasts and Ports. With the global challenges facing coastal infrastructure, maritime transport, and environmental sustainability, the 2025 Conference, held from 18 – 21 August in Adelaide, focused on cutting-edge research, best practices, and the latest technologies shaping the future of ports and coastal engineering.

Presentations were ordered under broad Conference topics of ports & maritime, port operations and management, port planning, coastal and ocean, blue economy, dredging and reclamation, technology and digital, coastal planning, working with nature, coastal processes, future proofing, technology and planning. With 508 registrations from all around the region, and 173 papers presented, this was the most successful Coasts & Ports ever.

A huge shout out to the local organising cttee: Jayne Hindle and her



team at East Coast conferences, Paul Constance, Conference Chair (Flinders Ports & PIANC SA Regional Chair), Luke Campbell (Chair – PIANC AU-NZ), Prof Andrew Pomeroy (Chair- NCCOE), Gildas Colleter (PIANC Climate Champion), PIANC legends Hon A/Prof Ron Cox (NCCOE) and Neil Lawson, Monique Draycott and Uddish Singh (WGA & PIANC YPs); Imran Lambay (Maritime Constructions); Alice Mumford (Events Manager, EA), Annabel Sandery (Cape Advisory), Dr Murray Townsend, (Manager Coast Protection SA DEW), and Paul Weston (EO – PIANC AU-NZ).

Thanks again to our marvellous platinum supporters , the SA Government's Coast Protection Board, McConnell Dowell, Flinders Port Holdings Pty Limited and to our Gold supporters Maritime Constructions (thank you Imran Lambay!) for the wonderful Conference dinner, WGA for the warm welcome reception, Haskoning Australia for the Young Professionals Networking night, and Hatch for hosting the Women in Coastal Geoscience and Engineering discussion panel and function.

Thanks to all sponsors and trade exhibitors. Thanks to all for your generous contribution to our community of practice, and without whom we could not do any of this!!

Next Conference is the harbour capital Wellington in 2027!

Full Conference Papers and program are available here: <https://www.coastsandports.org/2025-australasian-coasts-and-ports-conference/>

Top Left: Women in Coastal Geoscience and Engineering discussion panel

FROM STRATEGY TO REALITY



Fauzan Zulkhepli, PANSW, & Chair of PIANC WG248 – Guidelines for Onshore Power Supply (OPS) for Ships



David Dack



At Adelaide Coasts&Ports2025, PIANC AU-NZ hosted a pre-Conference seminar: ‘Strategy to Reality: Implementing Decarbonisation and ESG Strategies’, which was dedicated to the practical implementation of decarbonisation and ESG strategies in port and maritime operations and infrastructure. The seminar was supported by Arup.

Attendees came from Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, and Vietnam. “PIANC is all about bringing us all together as an industry to share knowledge” said seminar co-convenor, PIANC AU-NZ Board Member David Dack, and Arup’s Global Maritime Lead, “and the theme that we chose ‘from strategy to reality’, is because it’s action time right now!”

Opening and closing sessions were presented by Luke Campbell, PIANC AU-NZ Chair, and Adam van der Beeke, PIANC AU-NZ Environmental Commission (EnviCom) Lead.

Our industry experts included members of international PIANC Commissions and Working Groups, government organisations, sustainability experts and Australian ports.

Presentations are now available on PIANC AU-NZ website pianc.org.au/resources/presentations/

PIANC 2025 YOUNG AUTHORS AWARD



The PIANC Young Authors Award has traditionally been awarded at the Australasian Coasts and Ports Conferences since 1988. It is awarded for the best paper by a Young Professional YP at a conference related to PIANC issues and activities. The 2025 Award was presented by Luke Campbell, Chair of PIANC AU-NZ to our 2025 Winner: Christopher Watson, Baird

Paper presented at Coasts&Ports2025: C.Y O’Connor Artificial Reef – Analytical comparisons of different numerical modelling approaches

Christopher is currently working as an intern coastal engineering consultant at Baird Australia, while studying a Masters of Professional Engineering (Environmental) at UWA. He has a Bachelor in Advanced Science (Chemistry).

EVENTS AROUND THE REGIONS

In 2025 our regional chapters and Young Professionals created a new record by organising thirty-three technical and networking events in fourteen cities and ports, attended by apx 1500 people.

Our events included port tours, site visits, YP leadership breakfasts, industry networking events, technical seminars and three technical webinars. Presenters and events explored important local experience, challenges and achievements as well as big picture future-focused issues.

We are grateful to our event organisers and attendees, our industry and port sponsors and supporters with venues, and to the many maritime organisations we liaised with in 2025.

PIANC Aotearoa New Zealand



Of the apx 1500 attendees registered at PIANC’s regional events in 2025, one third were attending New Zealand hosted events – which began with a popular hybrid seminar on *Emerging Technologies in the Ports Space*, followed by two very popular webinars, *Port Construction in NZ and the Pacific* in August and *'Challenging Marine Structures '* in October. Both webinars are viewable on our website www.youtube.com/@pianc_anz . During the year NZ YPs were active with organising a leadership breakfast and, working with the NZ Coastal Society, a coastal careers hybrid event.

PIANC New South Wales Chapter

The Chapter organised a site tour of Port of Newcastle Dyke Mooring Infrastructure, a popular Maritime Trivia night held in Newcastle and Sydney, liaised with EA on a day of presentations on coastal adaptation and planning, and ended their busy year with a presentation from Port of Long Beach (LA) to accompany their EOY networking.



PIANC Queensland



Another big year included a visit to Smartship Australia’s Simulator Facility, an intensive workshop on *The Impact of Climate Change and Extreme Events on Ports*, student outreach to three Queensland universities, a *Concrete in Maritime Infrastructure* seminar, a webinar on WG211, *Navigating through PIANC latest fender guidelines*, a YP Leadership Breakfast, and EOY networking.

PIANC Northern Territory Chapter

In October the Chapter visited Darwin Cruise Terminal for presentations & networking.



PIANC South Australia Chapter



SA Chapter was hard at work in 2024 and much of 2025 in working towards the mammoth Coasts&Ports 2025 Conference in Adelaide. Paul Constance, Chapter Chair was also the Chair of the Conference's Local Organising Cttee , with Chapter YPs Uddish Singh and Monique Draycott integral to the event's success.

PIANC Tasmania Chapter

PIANC Tasmania organised a two and a half day event – Devonport Symposium 2025, with two major foci; Offshore Wind Developments in Bass Strait: and Port Developments in Northern Tasmania. It ended the year with industry presentations at the EOY networking function in Hobart.



PIANC Victoria Chapter



The year began with a very well attended seminar on Decarbonisation Strategies in Ports, followed by liaison with WISTA for a joint breakfast, a tour of Trelleborg facilities and their local docking and mooring operations in Melbourne, and in November an industry boat tour of Port of Melbourne.

PIANC Western Australia Chapter

The year's activities began with an in-person event on 'Reducing Australia's Shipping Emissions', in partnership with Net Zero Network, Sustainable Shipping Hub and the Royal Institute of Naval Architects. During the year the Chapter hosted an ANZAC themed presentation Honouring Maritime Service And

Legacy, a YP and student networking event coordinated with the UWA Ocean Students Society, a thrilling Port of Geraldton tour, and provided presentation from Chair of WG251. *Guidance on the Design of Parted Mooring Line Arresting Systems* at the EOY networking event.

PIANC AU-NZ TECHNICAL WEBINARS IN 2025

In 2025 recordings of two technical webinars hosted by PIANC New Zealand, and a four hour in-person workshop in Brisbane were made available on our website, and our YouTube channel. [PIANCANZ@YouTube](#)

Navigating PIANC's latest Fender Guidelines. (WG211) 4 hrs 45 minutes

This comprehensive full afternoon workshop, hosted by PIANC QLD/NT Chapter, delved into the latest fender design guidelines published by PIANC WG211 in 2024. Participants gained valuable insights into the differences between WG33 and WG211, understanding the implications for both design and asset management of fenders. The workshop featured practical examples highlighting the impact on design processes and outcomes. This event was in-person only.

- Session 1 WG211 *Fender Design* (Harvinder Singh) PIANC AU-NZ member of WG211
- Session 2 WG211 *Risk Mgmt* (Harvinder Singh)
- Session 3 *Asset Owner Lens* (Sam Mazaheri)
- Session 4 *Manufacturer Lens* (James Curl & Adam Sellers – Trelleborg)
- Session 5 Panel Discussion

Presentations are downloadable from <https://pianc.org.au/resources/presentations/>



Port Construction NZ & Pacific. 1.5 hrs

This free hybrid event held in three cities (Auckland, Wellington and ChristChurch) on 7 August 2025 was focused on port construction projects both completed and currently underway in NZ and the Pacific. The event provided an opportunity to explore key aspects of two projects—from design/constructability challenges through to physical works—including technical details, innovations, lessons learned, challenges faced, and how they were effectively managed or overcome.

- Presentation 1 *PMNZ Floating Tug Berth*: Kate Cushing (PMNZ) & Greg Kroef (Heron)
- Presentation 2 *Vanuatu Wharf Project*: Mark Plant (FCC Infrastructure) & Peter O'Brien (Beca)

Thank you to our events sponsors: Brian Perry Civil, Heb Construction and Heron Construction, and to our venue sponsors: Beca, Tonkin & Taylor and WSP.





Challenging Marine Infrastructure. 1.5hrs



In October 2025 PIANC NZ hosted an evening of expert insights into marine infrastructure challenges across New Zealand and the Pacific. Industry leaders shared lessons learned, technical strategies, and on-the-ground perspectives from recent projects. MC-ed by Marty Bayley, PIANC AU-NZ Board.

Presentation 1 *Henderson to Otahuhu Transmission Tower Marine Foundations Project* (Heron Construction)

Presentation 2 *Queen Salote International Wharf upgrade in Nuku'alofa, Tonga* (McConnell Dowell)

Presentation 3 *Inner Breakwater Strengthening/Wharf 8 Extension Project at Eastland Port* (Worley)

Presentation 4 *Baseline Data Collection for Large-Scale Marine Infrastructure Development* (SLR)

A huge thank you to the presenters for sharing your projects and insights; Greg Kroef from Heron Construction Company Ltd., Brendon Barnett from McConnell Dowell and David Perbey from Haskoning, Nelson Chiew from Worley, and Dan Govier from SLR Consulting.

WORKING GROUPS 2025

At the core of PIANC's mission is the publication of high-quality Technical Reports realised by international Working Groups. The groups gather, analyse, and consolidate international, state-of-the-art, best practice material to provide evidence-based guidance. In 2025 PIANC published the following eleven Working Group Reports:

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION (ENVICOM)

EnviCom WG 226A: Guide for Assessing and Managing Effects of Underwater Sounds from Navigation Infrastructure Activities (January 2025)

EnviCom WG 230: Green Financing of Nature-Based Navigation Infrastructure (January 2025)

INLAND NAVIGATION COMMISSION (INCOM)

InCom WG 128: Technical-Biological Bank Protections for Inland Waterways – Part 1: Basics of a Best Practice Approach, Part 2: Library of Measures, Part 3: Decision Support Advice (January 2025)

InCom WG 206: Design of Navigation Locks (August 2025)

InCom WG 219: Guidelines for Inland Waterways Infrastructure to Facilitate Tourism (June 2025)

InCom WG 228: Extended Values of 'Low-Use' Inland Waterways (June 2025)

InCom WG 237: Bottlenecks and Best Practices of Transport of Containers on Inland Waterways (June 2025)

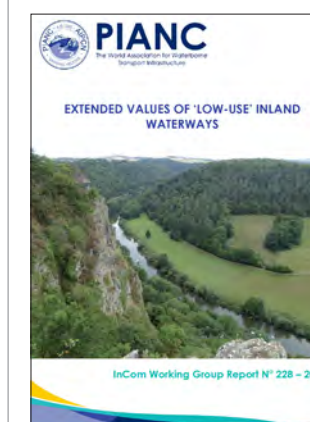
MARITIME COMMISSION (MARCOM)

MarCom WG 153C: Recommendations for the Design and Assessment of Liquid and Gas Marine Terminals Handling Fossil-Based and Clean Alternative Fuels and Cargoes (December 2025)

MarCom WG 186: Mooring of large ships at quay walls (January 2025)

MarCom WG 213: Design Guidelines for Marine Multipurpose Terminals (October 2025)

MarCom WG 224: Planning of Fishing Ports (March 2025)



AU-NZ MEMBERS ACTIVE IN PIANC’S WORKING GROUPS IN PROGRESS - 2025

InCom		
Nick Lewis	WG249 Adaptation of Inland Waterways Infrastructure for Climate Change Impacts	
MarCom		
Tobias Aldridge	WG251 Guidance on the Design of Parted Mooring Line Arresting Systems	
Cristian Alfred	WG240 Guidance for Ports in Small Island Countries	
Jessica Allport	WG238 Guidelines for use of BIM in infrastructure for ports and waterways	
Tom Bishton	WG225 Seismic Design Guidelines for Port Structures	
Jose Borrero	WG239 Mitigation of tsunami disasters in ports	
Gildas Colleter	WG259 Climate Resilience Guide for Ports	
Michael Coull	WG164 Upgrade of Port Berths by Increasing Dredged Depth	
Oliver Davey	WG269 Design Guidelines for Off Shore Wind Ports	
Grace Go	WG261 An Update to Design Principles for Dry Bulk Marine Terminals	
Rydharr Harris	WG260 Circular Monitoring for Ports	
Andy Harvey	WG164 Upgrade of Port Berths by Increasing Dredged Depth	
Richard Hill	WG240 Guidance for Ports in Small Island Countries	
Shabab Hosseini	WG259 Climate Resilience Guide for Ports	
Brian Johnson	WG187 Protection of Undersea Pipelines and Cables in Navigable Areas	
Scott Keane	WG238 (mentor) Guidelines for use of BIM in infrastructure for ports and waterways, WG240 Guidance for Ports in Small Island Countries, WG251 (mentor) Guidance on the Design of Parted Mooring Line Arresting Systems, WG261(mentor), An Update to Design Principles for Dry Bulk Marine Terminals	
Bob Lamont-Smith	WG261 An Update to Design Principles for Dry Bulk Marine Terminals	
Neil Lawson	WG171 (Expert Reviewer) Ship Handling Simulation Dedicated to Channel and Harbour Design	
Stephan Leppert	WG269 Design Guidelines for Off Shore Wind Ports	



Members of WG256 Understanding Blue Carbon: a Practical Guide. PIANC AU-NZ Member and WG Co-Chair William Glamore 3rd from right.

Aidan Lewis	WG252 Safety by Design of Maritime Terminals and Infrastructure Projects
Richard Morgan	WG261 (Chair) An Update to Design Principles for Dry Bulk Marine Terminals
Kevin Morton	WG205 Design and Construction of Breakwaters in Soft Seabeds
Glen Pikor	WG252 Safety by Design of Maritime Terminals and Infrastructure Projects
Ben Poulter	WG251 Guidance on the Design of Parted Mooring Line Arresting Systems
Ravi Segu	WG225 Seismic Design Guidelines for Port Structures
Andrew Turnbull-Miller	WG231 Mooring Bollards & Hooks: Selection, maintenance and testing
Dave Unwin	WG250 Update of WG 28 – Breakwaters with Vertical and Inclined Concrete Walls
Carsten Varming	WG233 Inspection, maintenance and repair of waterfront facilities
Hani Williams	WG231 Mooring Bollards & Hooks: Selection, maintenance and testing
Craig Wilson	WG248 Guidelines for Onshore Power Supply (OPS) for Ships
Jordan (Butler) Wolfe	WG251 (Chair) Guidance on the Design of Parted Mooring Line Arresting Systems
Behrouz Daei Zedeh	WG239 Mitigation of Tsunami Disasters in Ports
Fauzan Zulkhepli	WG248 (Chair) Guidelines for Onshore Power Supply (OPS) for Ships

AU-NZ has many members active on a range of PIANC Working Groups, producing significant outcomes that benefit maritime matters in our region. There are also benefits for participants who get to meet, share, and learn from experts from around the world.

EnviCom

Matthew Allen	WG267 The Role of Waterborne Transport Infrastructure in Biodiversity Enhancement.
Melanie Bishop	WG267 The Role of Waterborne Transport Infrastructure in Biodiversity Enhancement.
William Glamore	WG256 (Co-Chair) Understanding Blue Carbon: a Practical Guide
Brad Smith	WG267 The Role of Waterborne Transport Infrastructure in Biodiversity Enhancement.
Nicki Stokes	WG218 The implications of invasive alien species for waterborne transport infrastructure
Toby Tucker	WG256 Understanding Blue Carbon: a Practical Guide
Craig Wilson	WG174 Sustainability Reporting for Ports

RecCom

Greg Britton	WG254 Design Guidelines for Superyacht Facilities
Andy Brown	WG222 Design Guidelines for Floating Breakwaters in Marinas
Greg Fisk	WG244 Climate Change Adaptation Planning for Marinas and Boat Harbours, and WG245 Carbon Management for Marinas and Boat Harbours
Joao Goncalves	WG253 Water Quality in Marinas
David Hanly	WG254 Design Guidelines for Superyacht Facilities
Lex Nielsen	WG253 Water Quality in Marinas
Mike Thackray	WG254 Design Guidelines for Superyacht Facilities

2025 AU-NZ APPOINTMENTS TO NEW PIANC WORKING GROUPS

In 2025 PIANC AU-NZ nominated the following AU-NZ members to new PIANC International Working Groups:

MarCom WG 261:	An Update to Design Principles for Dry Bulk Marine Terminals Richard Morgan: Member and WG Chair Grace Go: YP Bob Lamont-Smith: Alternative Member Scott Keane: Mentor
EnviCom WG 267:	The Role of Waterborne Transport Infrastructure in Biodiversity Enhancement. Matthew Allen: Member Melanie Bishop: Member
MarCom WG 269:	Design Guidelines for Off-shore Wind Ports Stephan Leppert: Member Oliver Davey: YP

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

PIANC Australia & New Zealand is now the largest of the National Sections within PIANC International, with a growing membership – which numbered 107 corporate members and 143 individuals at the end of 2025, as well as 23 free student memberships.

Our online membership facilities have made joining easy. Membership is open to residents of Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific Islands. Go to: pianc.org.au/membership/

PIANC AU-NZ MEMBERSHIP

YEAR	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Corporate members	53	64	73	77	89	79	88	94	97	107
Individual	83	101	90	118	116	106	116	126	138	145
Students	n/a	n/a	n/a	1	3	28	45	54	n/a	28
Other	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	3	1
TOTAL	137	166	164	197	200	215	251	276	238	281



Above: Coastal Legends at Coasts&Ports: Angus Gordon & Greg Britton.

Industry Advisory Forum (hybrid) for WG251 Guidance on the Design of Parted Mooring Line Arresting Systems in WA, Dec 2025

NEW CORPORATE MEMBERS

In 2025 we welcomed fourteen new corporate members.

	AIE Engineering.		Moffatt & Nichol
	Arcadis		O2 Marine P/L
	Austral Construction		Pitt and Sherry Pty Ltd
	B.M.D. Constructions		ShibataFenderTeam
	Brady Marine & Civil		Skand P/L
	Johnson Bros NZ		Solomon Island Ports Authority
	KPMG		Tonkin Consulting P/L -SA



Honiara Port, Solomon Islands

CORPORATE MEMBERS

OF PIANC AU-NZ AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2025

Actemium Australia	GHD Pty Ltd	Port of Brisbane QLD
AIE Engineering.	Gladstone Ports Corporation QLD	Port of Hastings VIC
AECOM Australia Pty Ltd	Gold Coast Waterways Authority	Port Marlborough NZ
Agilitus	Hall Contracting Pty Ltd	Port of Melbourne Operations Pty Ltd
Arcadis	Haskoning Australia Pty Ltd	Port of Nelson NZ
Arup	Hatch	Port of Newcastle NSW
Aspec Engineering Pty Ltd	HEB Construction (NZ)	Ports North QLD
Aurecon Australasia Pty Ltd	Heron Construction NZ	Port Otago
Austral Construction	HR Wallingford	Port Taranaki NZ
Australian Maritime College TAS	Hychem Infrastructure	Port of Townsville QLD
AW Maritime Pty Ltd	Hydrobiology WA Pty Ltd	Ports Victoria
Baird Australia	Jacobs Group (Australia) Pty Ltd	Rio Tinto
Beca Ltd NZ	JJ Ryan	Royal Australian Navy
BG&E	Johnson Bros NZ	ShibataFenderTeam
B.M.D. Constructions	KBR	Skand Pty Ltd.
BMT Commercial Australia Pty Ltd	KPMG	SMEC Australia Pty Ltd
Boskalis Australia Pty Ltd	Magryn & Associates	Solomon Island Ports Authority
Brady Marine & Civil	Manly Hydraulics Laboratory	Southern Ports Authority WA
BridgePro Engineering Pty Ltd	Marine & Civil Maintenance	SPE (Specialist Port Equipment)
Burbury Consulting Pty Ltd	Maritime Constructions	Stantec
Cavotec MoorMaster Ltd	McConnell Dowell	Superior Group
Cementaid	Meteorological Service of New Zealand Ltd	Tasmanian Ports Corporation Pty Ltd
Centreport - Wellington NZ	Mid West Ports Authority WA	Thomas Miller (Australasia) Pty Ltd
Dalrymple Bay Coal Terminal QLD	MMA Subsea Pty Ltd	Tonkin Consulting P/L SA
Darwin Port. NT	Moffatt & Nichol	Tonkin and Taylor Ltd NZ
Department of Environment, Tourism, Science and Innovation (DETSI) QLD	Napier Port NZ	Transport for NSW, Maritime Infrastructure Delivery Office
Department of Transport and Main Roads - Maritime Safety QLD	National Transport Research Organisation (NTRO)	Trelleborg Marine & Infrastructure
DHI Water & Environment Pty Ltd	North Queensland Bulk Ports	TYPSA
Duratec	NSW Ports	UNSW - Water Research Laboratory
Eastland Port NZ	O2 Marine P/L	Wallbridge Gilbert and Aztec Pty Ltd
Flinders Ports SA	OMC International	Water Technology
Fortescue Future Industries	Pilbara Ports Authority WA	Westport WA
Fremantle Ports WA	Pitt and Sherry P/L	Williams Metal Fabrications
Frontier Automation	Ports of Auckland. NZ	Woodside Energy Group Pty Ltd
FSC Range	Ports Australia	Worley Consulting
	Port Authority of New South Wales	WSP NZ

MENTORING PROGRAM



Rhys Jones

Now in its fifth year, the PIANC AU-NZ Mentoring Program was coordinated in 2025 by Board Member Rhys Jones.

The program aims to provide members with an opportunity to gain guidance and advice in progressing their professional career, and to offer others the opportunity to give back to their industry through sharing professional experiences and life lessons.

Participants reported back in 2025 that the program was “an invaluable experience,” a great sounding board for discussing challenges and developments in my work life”, a “very meaningful way to give back to the industry”, and “my mentor’s encouragement motivated me to take actions and pursue goals that I might not have followed through on otherwise.”

Recognising that many of our members have valued and varied experiences, the mentor/mentee relation can be, but is not necessarily, senior-junior in nature and instead can be one of peers across industries or across disciplines.

In 2025 our 19 participants represented a varied cross section of members working in a variety of roles and companies.

For more information see pianc.org.au/membership/members-mentoring-program/

19 PARTICIPANTS FROM PROMINENT ORGANISATIONS

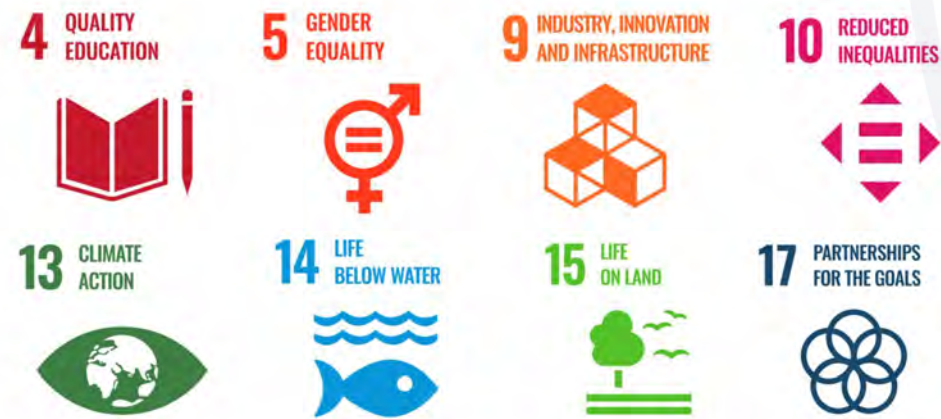


SUSTAINABILITY REPORT

PIANC AU-NZ’s Sustainability Strategy was established in 2021. The initial process involved identifying eight of the UN Sustainability Goals directly relevant to PIANC’s operations. The identified goals were:

- SDG 4 Quality Education
- SDG 5 Gender Equality
- SDG 9 Industry Innovation and Infrastructure
- SDG 10 Reduced Inequalities
- SDG 13 Climate Action
- SDG 14 Life Below Water
- SDG 15 Life on Land
- SDG 17 Partnerships for the Goals.

8 RELEVANT UN GOALS



Based on the prioritised issues, twenty individual targets were categorised into four key focus areas.

4 FOCUS AREAS





Catherine Blaine



David Dack

Targets were set over a 5-year time frame, from 2022 to 2026, to enable PIANC AU-NZ to commit to and demonstrate improvement year on year.

In 2025 our new Board Sustainability Leads, Catherine Blaine and David Dack set out to track PIANC AU-NZ's progress.

They found that some original targets – within the D&I category in particular – were unable to be met due to changes in our membership software systems from a local to a global system. This impacted data collection and our local measurement capacities. Further work is planned to collect data via local event attendance and to increase our knowledge of the diversity of our membership through surveys.

While Acknowledgement of Country is now carried out at all our events, our initial plan to develop a PIANC AU-NZ Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) was unable to be implemented as we did not meet the organisational criteria for a RAP.

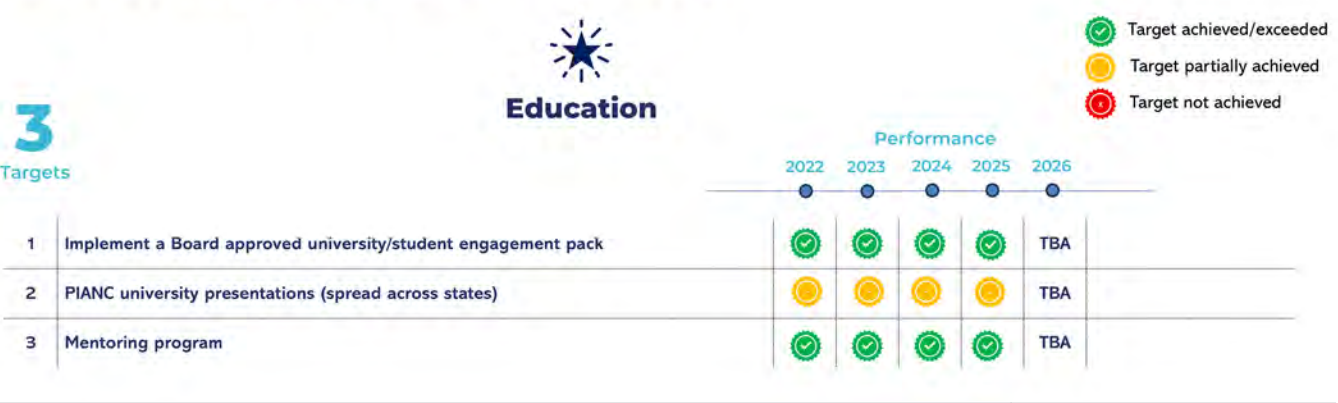
Some targets were exceeded, however. Our aim to host sustainability focused events was exceeded in every year, with 15 sustainability related events held over 2024 and 2025, including the 2025 pre-Coasts&Ports Conference seminar *‘From Strategy to Reality: Implementing Decarbonisation and ESG Strategies in the ports sector.’*

Performance against the targets at the end of 2025 – presented to the Board in February 2026 – is summarised below.

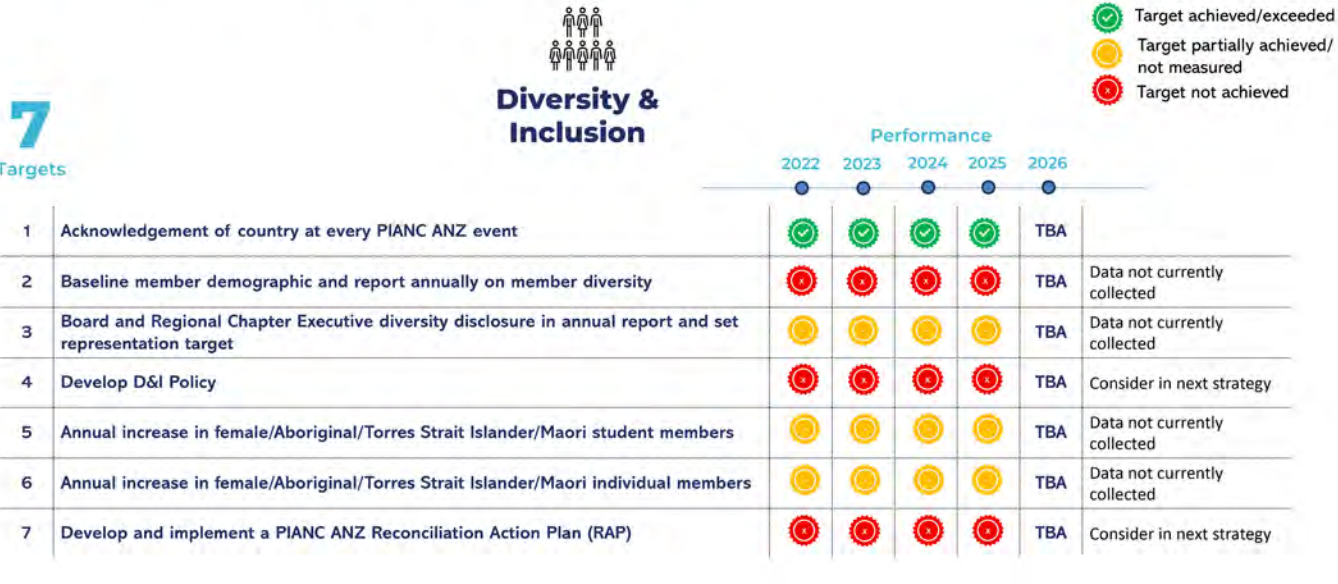
ESG Scorecard Update - Feb 2026



SDG Scorecard Update - Feb 2026



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COMMUNICATIONS REPORT 2025



Mary O'Connell

PIANC AU-NZ continues to connect a growing membership and community with regular newsletters and events-focused emails.

In 2025 twenty-four news stories and thirty events were posted to our website -pianc.org.au. These formed the bulk of email comms to members.

E-NEWSLETTERS

16 newsletter emails were sent to members and community, of those 11 were news & events emailed to all on list, and 5 were regionally focused in-person events, sent only to regionally tagged emails.– QLD, VIC, TAS, NZ, & Pacific.

On average our open rate over the year was 35%.

Active email contacts for newsletters at beginning of 2025 increased by 27%, from 2,755 to 3,490. The increase was derived primarily from emails of attendees at regional events (65%) and Coasts&Ports (30%) with the balance made up of new members and online self-subscribed.

VIDEO PRODUCTION

In 2025 two short videos were produced with Adelaide's Hughes PR company on the following events: 'Coasts&Ports2025' and 'From Strategy to Reality: Implementing Decarbonisation and ESG Strategies in the Port Sector' pre-Conference Workshop.

On our YouTube account the videos have received over 220 views. On LinkedIn they have received 1,616 (Coasts & Ports) and 875 (From Strategy to Reality) views.



PIANC AU-NZ LINKEDIN ACTIVITY JAN-DEC 2025

124 posts

Growth of 660 to 3679 followers

160.5k views

SOCIAL MEDIA

In 2025 LinkedIn saw a 10% increase in numbers of posts (from 112 to 124), and a 22% growth in numbers of followers, (from 3010 to 3670)

Our peak LI engagement period was at Coasts& Ports Conference held in Adelaide in August. We had 22,000 views of 8 posts.

Outside of the Conference, viewers had most interest in PIANC humans. Our three most engaged with stories of 2025 were:

- Welcome David Ewers – new Chair of Tasmania Chapter,
- Thank you to Greg Fisk – stepping down as Climate Champion, and
- Congrats to Scott Keane – new V-P at PIANC International .

ANNUAL REPORT

Our Annual Report received its first hard copy print run in 2025 – primarily for international use. Proudly displayed here at Coasts&Ports.



PIANC Comms Mary O'Connell at work on LI at Coasts&Ports: Image by Katrina Dodd.

L-R: Peter Engelen, Shane Freeman & Carsten Varming.



Kimberley Marine Support Base, WA,
(Image provided by WGA)



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