

NASH COLD-FORMED STEEL STRUCTURES AND LIGHT STEEL FRAMING SEMINARS

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Auckland delegates

The HERA/NASH seminars on the design of coldformed steel structures and light steel framing attracted a great deal of interest at the venues of Auckland, Taupo and Christchurch, which was reflected in the total attendance figure of 129 people.

Before lunch, Prof. Greg Hancock of University of Sydney provided an overview of the provisions 4600 as well as discussing



Professor Greg Hancock

International developments in cold-formed steel design. NASH General Manager Carl Davies and NASH Board member Dr Stephen Hicks launched the new NASH Standard and Handbook, which provides New Zealand design guidance on residential and low-rise light steel framing.

Rosemary Scofield, HERA's CSA Business Development Manager, finished the day by



Rosemary Scofield

presenting Architectural Considerations for Light Steel Framing; the presentation also included international developments, many of which were supported by New Zealand rollforming manufacturers who export their products globally.

Copies of the NASH Standard and Handbook may be obtained through NASH at gm@nashnz.org.nz



Dr Stephen Hicks

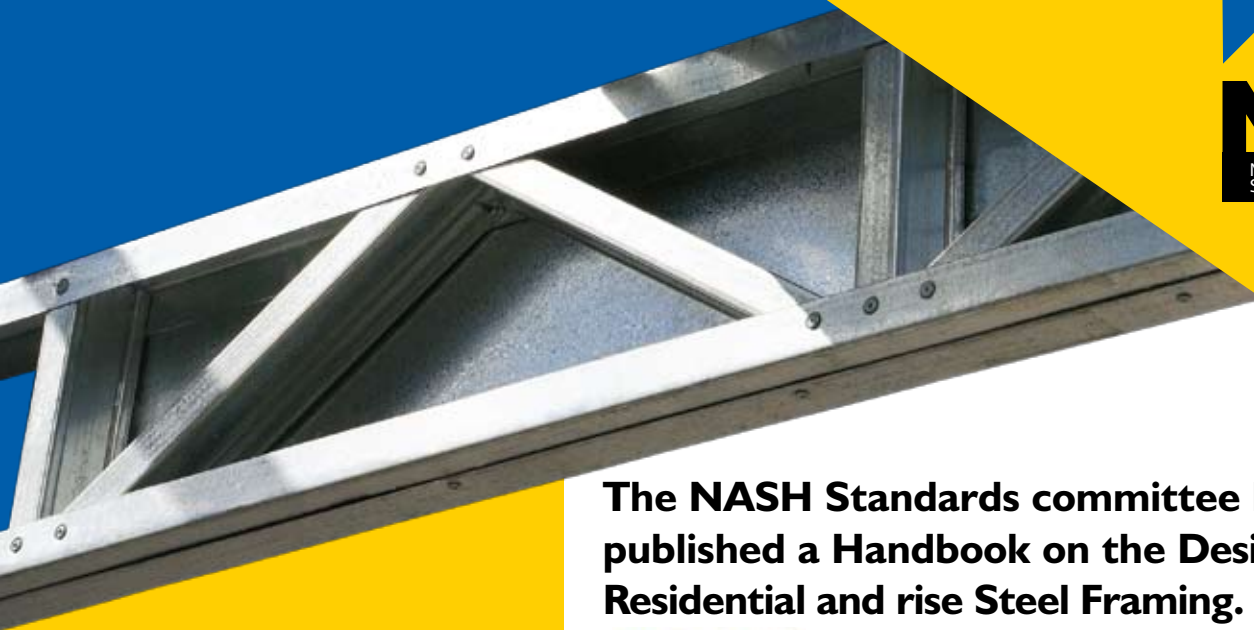


NASH GM Carl Davies

NZ STEEL INNOVATION CONFERENCE

NASH partnered with a number of other organizations for this conference held at RFS Ltd in Auckland in September. Guest speakers included Sir Ken Stevens, Bruce and Nick Coubray, Professor Charles Clifton a representatives from number of overseas software companies and fastener manufacturers. Presentations included an update on the latest research and building trends in NZ and overseas. The final day was a chance to catch up with the latest innovations from the recently formed group PrefabNZ.

The conference provided an excellent opportunity to network and it was great to see a number of NASH members present. See www.innovationconference.co.nz for more information.



The NASH Standards committee has recently published a Handbook on the Design of Residential and rise Steel Framing.



The handbook covers the following:

- Introduction to steel framing
- Roof systems
- Wall systems
- Floor and subfloor systems
- Bracing systems
- Connectors
- Testing
- Durability
- Fabrication and construction practice
- Additional considerations

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NASH CERTIFICATION

NASH NZ has been working on a business tool over the past year, which is designed to assist its members to obtain best practice NASH Certification. It is envisaged it will be introduced as part of the membership criteria commencing 2011.

The NASH Quality Assured Scheme gives members the framework and policies around ensuring your business maintains best practice methods in supply chain, quality, training, delivery and support, so the industry, your customers and most importantly of all your business, have confidence in the product being supplied.

The framework centres around ensuring your documentation and processes are robust and can be audited for consistency and assurance. Existing systems can be included in the programme or NASH can provide you with the resources to assist you. Whichever system you use it will need to be independently audited by the NASH auditor.

Members will be issued with best practice certificates at various levels to give our industry the credibility, and our customers the surety, of using suppliers who provide best practice methodologies and quality. Membership categories have been redefined to fit within the new framework, and to better represent the wide variety of business models our members work within.

More information in the December newsletter!

LATEST NEWS

DBH to cite NASH Standard.

Discussions are being held with the Department of Building and Housing (DBH) regarding the citing our NASH Standard. There is a consultative procedure to work through starting in November. Keep watching the website.

NASH presentations to Councils

During the year NASH has made several presentations around the country aimed to assist Building Officials in their crucial role. The NASH presentation has been well received and it is the intention to roll this out when time permits to all 73 (at present) consenting authorities.

NASH to present at the METALCON 2010 CONFERENCE in Las Vegas.

Our paper: Success with High Strength Cold Formed Steel Framing in New Zealand has been accepted for presentation at the conference late October.

METALCON International is the single resource for anything you've ever wanted to know about using metal in construction. It's a tradeshow that educates professionals on how to integrate metal into traditional and sustainable construction. NASH is pleased that we have been afforded a 90 minute slot to talk about our work in NZ.

Metals Conference 2011

NASH will be participating in the conference which will be held at the Duxton Hotel in Wellington on the 14th April 2011. The theme of the Metals Conference is Productivity and Innovation. The NASH session may well spill over to the Friday 15th. This provides an excellent opportunity to hold our AGM – in Wellington instead of Auckland.