

CVIAV – A division of VACC, serving the Automotive Industry since 1918. Local people taking on the local and National issues that affect you in the Commercial Vehicle Industry.

15 October 2019

CVIA(V) Annual General Meeting Notice

Members are advised that the CVIA(V) AGM will take place on Thursday, 7 November 2019 at 5.30pm - 6pm at VACC House, 464 St Kilda Road, Melbourne Vic 3004.

For RSVP and questions please email ireid@vacc.com.au.

Have your say: National Written-off Heavy Vehicle Register

A draft framework for a Written-off Heavy Vehicle Register (WOHVR) has been released by Austroads for comment.

The document covers:

- Requirements for Inspectors
- Requirements for Inspection Centres
- Business Rules for Inspectors
- Business Rules for Inspection Centres
- Inspection Records
- Penalties

Members are encouraged to provide feedback to Imogen Reid <u>ireid@vacc.com.au</u> by Monday, 21 October 2019.

The document can be accessed **HERE**.

Update: Professional Engineers Registration Bill 2019

A per Bulletin ENG-08-19 sent out on 28 August 2019, the Professional Engineers Registration Bill 2019 (PERB) passed the Victorian Upper House, making the Bill law.

VACC/CVIAV did not support the Bill due to a number of issues relating to increased risk, cost and red-tape.

Now the Bill has passed, VACC is liaising with government to influence the regulations that are yet to be drafted. We are awaiting the formal opening of public consultation and will advise members once this is available.

In the meantime, VACC has written to Assistant Treasurer the Hon Robin Scott MP and Chief Engineer Collette Bourke requesting involvement in the next steps. A roundtable has also been convened, led by VACC/CVIAV with other affected industry associations (Australian Road Transport Suppliers Association, Truck Industry Council, Heavy Vehicle Industry Association) to discuss a coordinated effort in response to this regulation.

You're invited! Launch event – Women in Automotive "How to attract, recruit and retain women in the Australian industry"

Members are invited to attend a special launch of the newly developed guide: "How to attract, recruit, and retain women in the Australian automotive industry".

This resource comes off the back of industry consultation that revealed many businesses would like to employ more women, but simply do not know where to start.

The evidence is clear on the benefits a diverse workforce brings (improved profitability, lower staff turnover, better customer satisfaction, and reduced bullying), this coupled with skills shortages, it makes sense to access a full pool of talent.

Come along for a drink, a bite to eat and an excellent keynote address. A great opportunity to also meet your fellow members.

This event is open to both men and women, but specifically designed for business owners, HR professionals and key decision makers.

All attendees will receive a free copy of the guide (attendance is complimentary).

Wednesday, 13 November 2019
6.30pm - 8.30pm
Rivers Edge
Level 1, 18 Siddeley Street
Docklands VIC 3008

Register your attendance **HERE**.

RSVP: Friday, 8 November 2019 Plenty of parking is available close by.

Do you need an Access Permit?

In the majority of cases, the answer is YES.

The following table will help you determine if you need to apply for a state road transport authority. Responsibility for issuing a permit depends on the heavy vehicle class and the jurisdiction in which you are traveling. Find out more <u>HERE</u>.

Permits issued by the NHVR

Refer to the table below to determine whether you apply to the NHVR for the permit you need or whether you should apply to a state road transport authority. Responsibility for issuing the permit depends on the heavy vehicle class and the jurisdiction in which you are travelling.

	Class 1 permit Special Purpose Vehicle, Agricultural, Oversize Overmass	Class 2 permit B-double, Road Train, Performance-Based Standards, Controlled Access Bus	Class 3 permit Tow truck, Commodity Scheme permits (MIMS & MEMS), Mining Trailers	Higher Mass Limits (HML) permit
Journeys across borders The NHVR will process all applications if your journey is across borders.	✓	✓	✓	✓
Journeys within Qld If the permit you require is not issued by the NHVR, apply through Transport and Main Roads	X	✓	✓	✓
Journeys within NSW #For Class 1 permits in NSW, you can apply through Roads and Maritime Services and individual councils or you can apply through the NHVR.	√ #	✓	✓	✓
Journeys within Vic	✓	✓	✓	✓
Journeys within SA	✓	✓	✓	✓
Journeys within ACT	✓	✓	✓	✓
Journeys within Tas	✓	✓	✓	✓

Please note: The NHVR is currently undertaking a Delegations project that will transition all access permit delegations and application processing back to us by the end of 2019.

(source: NHVR)

Heavy Vehicle Confidential Reporting Line

NHVR has launched a specific Heavy Vehicle Confidential Reporting Line, whereby heavy vehicle drivers and supply chain employees can confidentially report potential safety breaches.

Appropriate information may relate to:

- an incident or situation that affects—or might affect—the safety of a heavy vehicle or its operation
- a procedure, practice or condition that endangers the safety of a heavy vehicle driver, their passengers, other road users or the community
- a procedure, practice or condition that facilitates non-compliance with the Heavy Vehicle National Law (HVNL).

The number is: 1800 931 785.

Now Open: Industry delegation to Hanover Messe

Austrade, the Advanced Manufacturing Growth Centre (AMGC), Australia Industry (AI) Group and Industry 4.0 Forum are partnering to take a delegation of Australian companies to Hannover Messe 2020, 20 – 24 April 2020

Being part of the Australian delegation will give you access to special networking events, tailored site visits with industry leaders and much more.

As the world's leading technology forum, with over 200,000 visitors from 100 countries and more than 30 different industries, Hannover Messe is an unequalled yearly event for industrial pioneers.

The focus areas at Hannover Messe 2020 are:

- Industry 4.0 (including IoT and 5G)
- Industrial Security
- Artificial Intelligence
- Lightweight Construction
- Platform Economics
- Logistics 4.0
- Carbon-free Production.

Promote your capabilities, learn about international markets, seek commercial relationships on a global scale, discover technological advances and learn of new business models, all in the one place.

Please register your interest <u>HERE.</u>



Women & Leadership Australia Scholarships Available

Women in Automotive (WinA) has been working quietly behind the scenes with Women & Leadership Australia to develop the <u>'Elevate Initiative'</u> - leadership program specifically for women working in the automotive industry.

WinA is pleased to announce that due to industry support from St George Bank, we are able to offer **16 fully funded scholarships** for women at either their early career or mid-career stages.

Why is this kind of training important?

Women account for only 20 percent of the automotive workforce (a figure that has not changed in over 20 years). Women are over represented in lower level administration and sales roles, with a serious a lack of women in senior level, decision-making positions.

This leadership training provides women with skills and networks to prepare them for the next phase of their career, along with a pipeline of eligible talent businesses can access.

Expressions of Interest is now open:

To find out more or apply HERE.



New NHVR Portal service about to go live

The NHVR has announced that the Vehicle Standards service will be available in the NHVR Portal from 4pm Wednesday 16 October.

Vehicle Standards applications for In-Principle Support, Exemption Permits and Modifications will be able to be lodged through the NHVR Portal.

You will also be able to attach:

- engineers reports
- images
- diagrams or schematics for vehicles.
- In the future, application status will be able to be viewed via the NHVR Portal to track progress of applications.

A webinar is available for members to join, which explains how to use your account. Register <u>HERE</u>.

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