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Welcome to the first issue of AusPT 'Fully Stressed', our new monthly newsletter!!

Front Page Employee News

Welcome to the very first issue of AusPT's 'Fully Stressed' newsletter! The newsletter will be distributed monthly and is a way to get to know your fellow AusPT employees, hear important company info, safety ideas and other info to keep you occupied on your smoko break for some light reading.

If you have anything you would like to add, or any suggestions for content, please contact Emma Kramer on 0450 429 605 or ekramer@auspt.net.au

Happy Reading!!

Message from the Director – Andy Kiker

Half way through 2017 and all states are guns blazing. We are now operating in VIC, TAS, SA, NSW, QLD, with WA kicking off earlier this year. The growth from 2010 until now has been exciting to be a part of and AusPT would like to thank each and every one of you for contributing. Keep up the good work!

AusPT have a special relationship with Australian Supercar driver Jack Le Brocq. We have sponsored Jack for a number of years now and are closely involved with his progress along his journey.

On the 19th-22nd June, Jack made his solo championship debut (Virgin Australia Supercar championship) at Darwin's Hidden Valley. Racing his GoGetta Racing Nissan Altima at the premier level for the first time, Jack was the first of the two 'Wildcard' entries home in both races. This is what Jack had to say about the experience;

'No question, racing at this level is another step again (over Super2), it's been a fantastic experience and I've learned a lot. We made some mistakes, made some good calls, I passed a few people and we came home with a straight, undamaged car. Having done this now, I am really looking forward to our next 'Wildcard' round in Townsville.'





Send in any pics of your jobs you have taken, we use these pics on the AusPT website!!

Above pic is Malop Street Geelong (VIC)



AusPT are proud members of the Mates in Construction program

Employee News

This Section each month will update you with any important info you may need to know!

- If you have any photos of your jobs, showing the progression and size of the project, feel free to text them through to 0450 429 605. We often use your pics on the website and other social media sites!
- All tool belts and gumboots to be taken home each night
- Remember if you open a coil, to save the tag so your Leading Hand can send it through to Emma
- Wear your PPE!

Industry News

AusPT are proud members of the Mates in Construction program (MIC).

MIC was set up as a community development organization aimed at reducing suicide and improving mental health and wellbeing within the Australian Construction industry.

Suicide rates for men show that men in the Construction Industry are at 2.38 higher rate than that of other Australian men, it is an industry led approach to an industry problem.

It's all about MATES helping MATES. On a serious note, AusPT have multiple ways of helping with anybody feeling down, suffering from depression etc. Your construction Managers are approachable and may be someone to listen if you are not feeling yourself.

Featured Job – Westfield Carousel (WA)

Earlier this year AusPT took the step to branch out to Western Australia. And what better way to kick it off than with a Scentre Group project.

Jake Fairweather from QLD was ready to take on the state and has gone in and is doing a fantastic job already!

13 pours into the project and the man hours/per ton is an AusPT record. Jake has managed this whilst recovering from a serious skydiving accident and relatively isolated in WA. Well done to Jake and his WA crew.

Employee Profile: Kolby Keighran

What is your job with AusPT?

National Operations Manager

How long have you worked for AusPT?

Since the beginning in 2010 – 7 years

What did you do before AusPT?

I was just a simple tree lopper from Belgrave

What are your hobbies/way to relax out of work?

Surfing, trail bike riding and camping with family

Do you have a secret talent/party trick?

Drawing (as some of you would know from my beautiful diagrams I send out) and the Worm

Do you have a nickname?

Chilpy

Health, Safety and HR News

Thank you to all Leading Hands you have been regularly sending in Toolbox talks, ITPs, coil tags and weekly task observation checklists. We have greatly improved our Health, Safety and Quality reporting since this time last year.

AusPT take safety and the wellbeing of our employees extremely seriously. Our main aim is that each of you goes home to your families safe each night. An injury free workplace is ideal, however we know that the nature of the construction industry sometimes means that smaller injuries do occur, but there are simple things each and every one of us can do to try minimize the risk of injuries occurring.

- Wearing your PPE at all times
- Stretching before work
- Being aware of your surroundings – report anything that doesn't look right
- Watching out for your mates. We all have a responsibility to not only ourselves but also your work mates. Mates helping mates is key.

These are only some of the ways we can be safer at work, but a good start to making sure you go home to your wives, kids, mums, dads, girlfriends each and every night. This way of thinking is what has inspired the monthly award that will be awarded to a specific job (and its crew) that is consistently outstanding in all aspects of safety. Below is a pic of our crew led by Tony Tee at the Glen Shopping Centre in Vic. The boys are doing truncation works out there, and as you can see they take their PPE VERY seriously!! With the new addition of 3M face masks for use all day whilst jackhammering!



Kolby Keighran is an AusPT icon, almost a part of the furniture

The AusPT 'Safety Brilliance' Award

The AusPT 'Safety Brilliance' award will be awarded monthly to a project and its crew that meets the following criteria;

1. X4 toolbox talks to be completed
2. X2 task observation checklists to be completed
3. No injuries to have occurred in that month
4. Outstanding 'above and beyond' safety initiative to be shown

July 2017 award goes to.....

Westfield Carousel!!! Well done to Jake and the boys in WA.

Jake has been on top of interactive toolbox talks, task observations weekly, no injuries have occurred on site in June and they have been proactive in implementing easy to see exclusion zones, use of bright pan covers and strand taping. Below you can see what they have been up to last month!! Well done guys. A prize is coming your way!



Upcoming RDOs

VIC/SA RDO	Monday 10 th July
VIC/SA RDO	Monday 24 th July
QLD RDO	Monday 17 th July
NSW RDO	Monday 17 th July
WA RDO	Monday 3 rd July
WA RDO	Monday 30 th July

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