



## Australian Acoustical Society

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NEW SOUTH WALES DIVISION

# 336<sup>TH</sup> COMMITTEE MEETING Minutes Summary Report

**Date:** Wednesday, June 3, 2008  
**Attended:** Brian Marston (Vice-Chairman); Donald Woolford; Rodney Stevens; Neil Gross; Nicole Kessissoglou

### General Items of Interest

- NSW AAS to introduce awards to students in acoustics to attend conferences fully funded, starting with annual conference in Geelong
- Letter distributed to Councils regarding rejection by some City councils of the services of AAS acousticians who are not members of the Australian Association of Acoustic Consultants – copy of letter posted onto website ([http://www.acoustics.asn.au/divisions/NSW/AAAC\\_Council\\_letter\\_2008-04-30.pdf](http://www.acoustics.asn.au/divisions/NSW/AAAC_Council_letter_2008-04-30.pdf))

### Technical Meetings

Planned technical meetings:

- 2nd half 2008 - 'Sentinex Remote Monitoring and Data Acquisition Platform' – Advitech
- Speech communication in a complex auditory scene and the Cocktail Party Effect - Virginia Best PhD, Dept. Physiology, U. of Syd. – rescheduled to 11 June

Possible future meetings include:

- Speech quality and how STI does not account for the vital role of tonal balance in subjective intelligibility - Glen Leembrugen
- Blue Circle Cement, Berrima, Audit of noise compliance conditions - Colin Tickell
- Mine noise problems - Ray Tumney
- Low frequency pub noise - Ray Tumney and Peter Knowland
- Noise control in medical devices - Karel Ruber
- Interim Guideline for the Assessment of Noise from Rail Infrastructure Projects (IGANRIP)
- Port Waratah Kooragang Coal Loader Expansion – probably later this year
- Ngara Noise Monitoring System - Ken Williams (ARL) - 2<sup>nd</sup> half of year
- Rail noise - Dave Anderson
- Preparing Quality Reports – Council Rep/ DECC Rep/ Other Rep

### New Membership

NSW Committee has approved the following memberships:

- Salvatore Oemasi (Member Grade) • Benjamin Ison (Member Grade)

### Next Committee Meeting

- Wednesday 16 July 2008
- If there are any issues you believe the committee should be addressing, please email Tracy Gowen at [tgowen@rtagroup.com.au](mailto:tgowen@rtagroup.com.au).