

The Voice of the Radio Communications Industry



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Association

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Background



- Formed in 2006
 - RSOA and ARIA
- Elections – AGM August
- Sub-committees
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Membership



- Total membership increased by 65%
 - Subcommittees in every mainland state
- Now over 100 member companies right across Australia – more than 1300 individuals
- All of the major equipment suppliers are members and support our aims
- Peripheral suppliers and End Users are also members of the Association

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Education & Training



- ARCIA has coordinated a teleconference to bring the tertiary institutions from Queensland, New South Wales and Victoria together to discuss training needs.
- We have been active in advising tertiary institutions on industry requirements
- ARCIA now offer four scholarships through the Sir Angus Tait Scholarship program

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Spectrum & Technical



- ARCIA responded to the ACMA discussion paper on the 800MHz band review
- We initiated two dedicated meetings with ACMA with a wide range of topics
- ARCIA attended several ACMA functions and our opinions are well respected within ACMA
- We presented items for consideration in ACMA Five year spectrum outlook plans

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Accreditation



- Recently begun the process of accreditation renewals for Accredited Members
- ARCIA is investigating ways to increase the value of being accredited and to highlight the value to users and other parties
- We are committed to having accreditation recognized as being a high value benefit of membership

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Events & Exhibitions



- This year ARCIA initiated a new venture – Regional Networking Events
- The aim of these events is to highlight ARCIA and the benefits of membership, but also –
- To provide an opportunity for the Radio Communications Industry in each state to meet and have a chance to share common ideas and learn from each other.

Perth Regional Event



- The first of the series and highly successful
- Held in June at the Royal Perth Yacht Club – premium location
- Around 110 attendees from across the breadth of the industry in Western Australia
- Guest speaker Andrew Stewart from the ACMA who spoke about the 400MHz review, 800MHz review, inappropriate use of spectrum and other items

Adelaide Regional Event



- Held in September at the National Wine Centre – another premium location
- Around 60 attendees had a great night
- Guest speaker from the CSIRO who spoke about the Square Kilometre Array Project
- Great reaction from all who attended and the networking was excellent

Melbourne Annual Industry Dinner



- Tonight we have our Gala Dinner here in Melbourne, and if you haven't been able to get tickets we apologise, the demand was just too great – but next year we will have more room, we promise!
- Highlight of the evening the Excellence Awards where we recognise outstanding achievement in area that make our industry great – Join us in recognising our peers

Upcoming Events



- Sydney – our dinner there will be the evening before the Spurious Challenge – Thursday 16th February at the Sydney Convention Centre – ARCIA web site for details
- Brisbane – 20th April of 2012 at Victoria Park Golf Club – again watch website for details
- These are great nights to socialize and learn
- We are developing a range of presenters and topics and we welcome suggestions

ARCIA



- The association exists to:
 - Promote the industry
 - Keep its members informed
 - Act as a focal point for suggestions
 - Represent the industry
- Your Industry – Your Association



Questions

