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## *Update of Technical Presentation and General Meeting...*

On Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> of May at the Carina Leagues Club, Arun Syam from Smorgon Steel Tube Mills (as pictured below) gave a very informative presentation on their new "Bigger, Thicker, Stronger" range of hollow sections. The presentation was a very good insight into the hows and whys of their new product range with catalogues and cd's being distributed to those in attendance. The presentation was well attended by some 30 of our members who stayed on afterwards to participate in a general meeting. The QISD would sincerely like to thank Arun and Smorgon's for their willingness to host this presentation and for the refreshments and savories prior to the event.



Arun Syam's Presentation

The general meeting held after the presentation was a good chance for the committee to relay the current status of various projects the QISD is involved with as well as discussing various new issues raised on the night that are of concern to our members. Also on the night the various nominations for the QISD logo competition were displayed with an eventual winner being chosen on the night.



Secretary's Address



Forum Attendees



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### *QISD Awards presented at the ASI Awards Night ....*

The 2004 Australian Steel Institute - Awards Night was held at the Brisbane Convention Centre on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> of July. As you are no doubt aware, the primary aim of the QISD is to do what we can to address the issue of design documentation quality. This year, the strategies we have developed to tackle this issue culminated at the annual ASI Steel Awards with the presentation of two QISD awards for Excellence in Design Documentation Quality.

The QISD felt that those designers producing drawings of a high standard, containing accurate and full information should be recognised and rewarded for their efforts.

This event not only highlighted the issue of Design Documentation Quality in a positive and constructive manner but also launched the QISD Documentation Check Lists which focus on the particular aspects of design documentation that most affect steel detailers.

The QISD recognised two design consultants who, QISD members have judged, to have made the effort to provide an ethical & professional service to the industry.

The winners were judged against 15 criteria which are part of the Design Documentation Checklists used by members of the QISD. The QISD website at [www.qisd.org.au](http://www.qisd.org.au) <<http://www.qisd.org.au>> contains more information.

The QISD congratulates this years winners;

Peter Gill of Bonacci Group for structural documentation on the Oakey Army Air Base and Don Watson of Project Services for architectural documentation on the Noosa Arts & Tourism Centre.



Bonnacci Group Qld Pty Ltd Structural Engineering



Project Services for Architecture

Detailers that won free tickets to the awards night for submitting the winning nominations were Michael Black (*TD Drafting*) and Joe Biggs (*JBD Steel Detailing*). Our thanks go out to all members that submitted entries for this years competition. Thanks also to QISD committee member Tony Dwyer for representing steel detailers as part of the ASI judging panel.

Congratulations also go to two QISD company members, Steelcad Drafting Pty Ltd and BDS Steel Detailers. Both these company members received certificates on the night for their particular contributions on various award winning projects.

Steelcad were the steel detailers of the Brisbane BMW Showroom that took out the Architectural Steel Design Award for 2004 and BDS were the steel detailers of the Gold Coast Convention & Exhibition Centre that received a High Commendation in the Structural Engineering Steel Design Award for 2004.





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### Events Calendar....

Date	Events
12 & 13 Sept	Australian Steel Conference. 2004
14 Sept	ASI Presentation – Intergrated Steel Design
30 Sept	QISD Membership Renewals
TBA Late Sept	QISD Tour of Stramit Purlin processing
29 Oct	ASI Golf Day
3 November	AGM (Info on page 6)
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### Membership Renewals....

With the QISD Inc. end of financial year fast approaching i.e. 30<sup>th</sup> September 2004 you are once again invited to show your support and dedication to our Industry by promptly renewing your membership for 2004 – 2005. Membership renewal forms will be forwarded shortly and we strongly encourage you to return these poste haste.

**The QISD's profile** has continued to expand throughout the current twelve month period with the highlight undoubtedly being the inaugural **QISD Inc. "Documentation Awards"**.

Of particular note is the interest generated in our Industry among **stakeholders at large** - created by the Documentation Awards. Architects, Engineers, Steel Suppliers etc. who were not previously aware of our existence before the Awards night have eagerly enquired about our aims and objectives, and importantly, the size of our Institute. **This is where your support is invaluable.**

Since our inception the quality of design documentation has been the number one issue for all our members. The enthusiasm and dedication to producing quality documentation shown by the Award recipients was proof that our message is getting through to those it is aimed at. While design documentation will always be a "work in progress" issue, the attitudes of consultants we have dealt with recently have been pleasingly positive.

We have reported previously the QISD participation with the Institute of Engineers Australia and the Australian Institute of Quantity Surveyors in forums dealing with this topic. The Awards have been a logical progression from those activities.

The publicity supplied by the Australian Steel Institute in its publications affords the QISD Australia wide exposure. Accordingly discussions with similar organisations in Victoria, West Australia and New South Wales are continuing with a view to the establishment of a national Steel Detailing Institute. This is our long-term goal.

However our immediate aims such as the very successful **Field Trip programme** will continue throughout the coming year, as will the **forum nights** highlighting the latest market and product information.

Membership renewal fees remain the same as for last three years. Your subscriptions are completely tax deductible. The QISD is a non-profit organisation with all the work carried out 100% voluntarily by the members of the Institute. The management committee takes this opportunity to thank you in advance for supporting the Institute that supports you, as we strive for even greater successes for 2005.



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### *QISD Logo .....*

Dear Members,

**The new logo for the QISD was developed to provide a recognisable emblem for the strong and progressive steel detailing industry in Queensland.**

Members are invited to add the QISD logo to their drawing sheets, facsimile and RFI pages, business cards and advertising. Member companies adopting the logo and using it in their documentation will help raise the standing of steel detailers and demonstrate to the industry at large that steel detailing is a cohesive and empowered profession.

Associating your company with the QISD will provide flow-on benefits such as;

- Identifies your company as part of an industry representative body and not just an isolated entity.
- Represents your company as a bona-fide shop detailing organisation.
- Signifies your willingness to liaise with other member companies in order to stay in-touch with steel construction industry developments.

There are currently three down-loadable Logo files available on our website [www.qisd.org.au](http://www.qisd.org.au)

- the first includes the text similar to the logo shown above.
- a second has the words "Member" and "QISD" attached
- the third file is just the emblem.

All files are JPG type. If other file types are required please contact the undersigned.

**The Logo is for use by financial members of the QISD Inc only.**

Non-member organizations may apply to the management committee for permission to use the logo for specified purposes. Any inappropriate use of the logo will not be accepted and should be reported to the QISD management committee.

Again, we thank you for your continued support of QISD.

Yours faithfully,  
Clayton Roxborough

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### *QISD / QUT Lecture .....*

Again this year the QISD has been invited to provide a guest lecturer to speak to 3<sup>rd</sup> year Engineering students on steel detailing. The QISD sees these invitations as very good opportunities to help raise the awareness of steel detailing as an important part of the whole design and construction process. Given the positive feedback from past lectures, Clayton Roxborough (QISD secretary) will again fulfil this role. So thanks must go to Clayton for again being willing to provide his services on behalf of the QISD.

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### ***NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2004***

Date: WEDNESDAY EVENING 3<sup>RD</sup> NOVEMBER 2004

Place: DIANA PLAZA HOTEL  
12 Annerley Rd, Woolloongabba 4102

Format of Evening:

6:00 pm Registration for a 6:30pm start. Finger food provided.

6:30 pm AGM:-

- Present Statement of Income and Expenditure
- Receive Auditors report on financial affairs for the last financial year
- Presentation of the Audited Statement for adoption
- Election of Management committee – President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and four additional committee members
- Appointment of Auditor
- AGM Closed

7:00 pm **General Meeting** starts with **Discussion/Forum** available in general business

7:45 pm Formal Meeting Closes.

7:50 pm Buffett Dinner provided compliments of QISD Inc.

