

APECS Oceania Bulletin December 2019

Welcome to our December APECS Oceania Bulletin! We send these out quarterly to keep all our members informed of what is happening in APECS Oceania, upcoming dates and events, opportunities and ways to get more involved in APECS Oceania.

Feedback from the APECS Oceania AGM

We had our Annual General Meeting on the 4th December, thank you to all those members who attended. This AGM was very well attended, potentially our biggest ever!

2019-2020 APECS Oceania Executive Committee

President - Alyce Hancock

Secretary - Katie Marx

National Representative - Natalia Ribeiro

Treasurer - still to be filled, if you are interested please contact apecs.oceania@gmail.com

Senior Officers/Advisors - Gabrelia Roldan

Senior Officers/Advisors - Jasmine Lee

Senior Officers/Advisors - Meagan Dewar

Senior Officers/Advisors - Hanne Nielsen

2019-2020 APECS Oceania Council

Social media manager - Rebecca Duncan

Social media manager - Erica Spain

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Thank you to all the APECS Oceania Executive Committee and Council members for 2018-2019. Your commitment and enthusiasm was inspirational and has put us in a great place for an exciting 2020!

The minutes for the APECS Oceania AGM are available [here](#) as well as a report of APECS Oceania 2019 activities [here](#).

Key highlights and outcomes from the AGM:

- ❖ APECS Oceania had an amazing 2019 with a huge growth in our membership and ran many successful events.
- ❖ From 2020 the APECS Oceania AGM will be held early October to align with APECS International's office terms and to bring the AGM to earlier in the Antarctic field season.
- ❖ Discussed strategies and priorities for APECS Oceania in 2020.

The next meeting will be in mid- to late-January.

Upcoming conferences

University of Canterbury (UC) Antarctic Conference 30-31 January 2020, Christchurch.

More information [here](#).

4th International Forum on the sub-Antarctic 29-30th July 2020, Hobart. See [here](#) for more information.

SCAR2020 31 July-11 August 2020, Hobart. Abstract submission is now open until 28 February 2020, 5pm AEST! More information can be found [here](#).

*Are you attending a conference and would like to represent and promote APECS Oceania, please get in touch apecs.oceania@gmail.com.

APECS Oceania opportunities

- ❖ Call for APECS Oceania Project Managers and Project Team Members;
 - March Polar Week
 - September Polar Week
 - Antarctica Day (1st December)
 - If you are interested in being a part of any of these projects please contact apecs.oceania@gmail.com
- ❖ Call for interested members to join the local APECS Oceania SCAR2020 Project Group to assist the APECS International Project Group with logistics and on the ground organisation for SCAR2020. If you are interested please contact the project group lead (and APECS International SCAR2020 Workshop Project Group Co-lead), Alyce Hancock alyce.hancock10@gmail.com
- ❖ We established a **new social media email address** for APECS Oceania: APECSO.comms@gmail.com. Do you want to share pictures from the field, polar conferences and workshops, recent publications and other accomplishments or other opportunities for ECR working on Polar topics? We will promote them for you on our social media channels (Twitter, Facebook, Instagram and website)!
- ❖ We are seeking keen people to organise **local social catch-ups** around Australia and New Zealand to provide APECS Oceania members in that region a way to meet, catch-up and form a network. If you are interested in running an event in your region please contact apecs.oceania@gmail.com.
- ❖ Do you have ideas for **other potential APECS Oceania projects**, or want to get more involved please get in touch apecs.oceania@gmail.com. You don't have to be part of the Executive Committee or Council to lead a project!

Don't forget to follow us on Facebook, Twitter and our website for continual updates and opportunities!!

APECS Oceania would like to wish everyone a joyous and relaxing festive season and summer Antarctic field season (for those lucky enough to be heading south!).