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Industry News

Strata Stakeholders



The academics at City Futures have been busy working on a detailed research project that maps key stakeholders in the Sydney residential apartment sector.

The aim of the project is to assist City of Sydney to engage strategically and to track the evolution of the sector and is part of council's [Residential Apartment Sustainability Program](#) (RASP).

RASP is a ten year program aimed at reducing greenhouse gases and water usage in apartments in the Sydney Local Government area. This research project ensures that council is working with the right people to achieve its goals.

While the information will greatly assist council it will also be very valuable to others working in and with strata communities in the Sydney area. The final report includes a detailed stakeholder map outlining the formal relationships between the different strata stakeholders identified (on page 11 of the report).

Swimming pool update



News from our friends at the Building Professionals Board (BPB), swimming pool certifiers will be required to complete six hours of CPD from next year.

To this end, BPB are looking for suitably qualified persons to deliver the CPD sessions. If you know of anyone or are interested yourself then get in touch with the BPB by [clicking here](#).

Other swimming pools news is that pool certifiers are being encouraged to register for an information session or webinar as part of the roadshow being held by the [Office of Local Government](#).

New fire certification laws to come



In case you missed the Sydney Morning Herald article on Wednesday 21 September, a report handed to the NSW Government following a fatal fire in a Bankstown apartment building in 2012 has recommended changes

The full report can be found [here](#).

To find out more about the project and how to get involved, contact Dr Hazel Easthope at hazel.easthope@unsw.edu.au

Review of the Building Professionals Act



SCA (NSW) has been advised that a response to the final report of the statutory review of the *Building Professionals Act 2005* has been released by the NSW Government. It is available for members to review [here](#).

The government's response to the report, which was prepared by an independent consultancy, is to prioritise a number of reforms including the centralised collection of certification data; improving existing fire safety requirements; revamping certifier regulations; establishing a Building Regulators Committee and clarifying Ministerial responsibility for building laws.

As we say above, when we have more details we will advise members.

Express Glass | Now a Gold Sponsor



SCA (NSW) is happy to announce that Express Glass has increased their support of the Association by upgrading their sponsorship from Bronze to Gold.

"As a long term supporter of SCA (NSW) in both sponsorship and volunteering capacities for many years, Express Glass are excited to now come on board as a Gold Sponsor. We see this as an opportunity to reinforce our commitment to the industry in NSW. The strata industry in NSW is evolving at a rapid rate, we look forward to growing with our clients and continuing to provide a market leading glass repair and replacement service." Mark

to the way commercial and residential apartment buildings are certified as being fire safe.

The [article](#) says that "the government will pursue more than 70 suggested changes, including more frequent audits and checks against building owners from choosing and paying their own certifiers when such arrangements create a conflict of interest."

Further in the article, it says that "previous report by the Fire Protection Association [found up to 40 per cent of buildings in NSW](#) were in breach of fire rules and blamed unqualified contractors for the breaches."

According to the article, "the state government is promising a package of fire safety reforms to be released for comment early next year, including better annual checks for existing apartment buildings and more frequent inspections of large apartment blocks during construction."

We will advise members when we know more details.

Strata Service Specialists Course



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This is the **last chance** in 2016 to stand out from other service providers in the strata industry by becoming a Strata Services Specialist Individual and/or to meet the requirements for Company specialisation.

Date: Wednesday 16 November

Time:

(AM Session) New attendees: 8:15am - 1:45pm

(PM Session) Renewal attendees: 1:45am - 4:20pm

Cost: \$150.00 inc. GST

Venue: SCA (NSW) Training Room, Level 1, 845 Pacific Highway, Chatswood, NSW, 2067.

To register please

email membership.nsw@stratacommunity.org.au

For more course information please click [here](#).

Jennings, Commercial Manager, Express Glass.

For more information about Express Glass, please [click here](#).

To find out more about sponsorship at SCA (NSW) please email us at: marketing.nsw@stratacommunity.org.au

Wynyard Walk now open



A pedestrian tunnel that connects Wynyard Station to the newly developed Barangaroo precinct opened on Tuesday. The tunnel is estimated to halve the time it usually takes to walk the route and is able to handle up to 20,000 pedestrians per hour.

For more information please [click here](#).

Keen Property

Valuation and Advisory Services



Keen Property is a specialist valuation company providing a complete strata and community title valuation service including insurance, unit entitlement, common property, easements and sinking fund reports.

Address: 114/267 Castlereagh Street Sydney

Phone: 02 92834588

Website: www.keenproperty.com.au

Upcoming Events

2016 SCA (NSW) Convention | 27 & 28 October
Hilton Sydney Hotel

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Early bird rate ends soon!

Now is the time to purchase your tickets to the 2016 SCA (NSW) Convention being held from **Thursday 27 to Friday 28 October** at the **Hilton Sydney Hotel**. Book and pay by **Tuesday 27 September** to take advantage of the **early bird rate**.

We are also pleased to offer all regional SCA (NSW) members a **10% discount** off the advertised price for all SCA (NSW) Convention delegate packages. To receive the regional member discount code please

2016 SCA (NSW) Convention



Sponsorship Opportunities Selling Fast!

With all the exhibitions booths fully booked don't miss out on the remaining sponsorship opportunities at the annual SCA (NSW) Convention.

We have the following sponsorship opportunities remaining:

Sponsorship Opportunities	Prices
Lunch (1 remaining)	\$1,750
Wifi Sponsor	\$2,000
Pre Gala Dinner Drinks	\$3,300
Gala Dinner Entertainment	\$4,000

contact Jane Hardingham
at events.nsw@stratacommunity.org.au or 02 9492
8202

This year's program has been developed with our strata managers and principals unique needs in mind. We have an extensive range of topics lined up over the two days plus a great trade exhibition showcasing the latest services and products for the strata industry.

To download the latest brochure please click on the image below.



Book now and take advantage of the **early bird special**.



For any enquiries email us
at events.nsw@stratacommunity.org.au

Keynote speaker sponsorship (1 remaining)	\$3,000
Charging Station	\$2,000
Convention App	\$TBA

Sponsorship opportunities are selling fast so [click here](#) to download the **sponsorship prospectus**.

New Legislation Seminar Roadshow

Final sessions



Register now for the final new legislation sessions being run by SCA (NSW) and NSW Fair Trading at Parramatta and North Sydney.

Parramatta Session

Date: Wednesday 9 November

Time: 8:30am - 12:30pm

Venue: **Parramatta Business Chambers**

North Sydney Session

Date: Thursday 10 November

Time: 8:30am - 12:30pm

Venue: **North Sydney Business Chambers**

To register please click [here](#).

Upcoming Education

CPD Roadshow | Friday 18 November | Cronulla

New Topic



It is essential that today's strata manager has knowledge of the relevant legislation as this will equip you with increased authority when giving guidance and recommendations to your clients.

We have a new CPD topic on the **New Strata Legislation** and will cover the below areas:

- New terminology
- Owners Corporation Responsibilities
- Meeting Procedures
- By-Laws
- Renovation
- Managing Agents
- Building Managers
- NCAT
- Levy Collection

Date: Friday 18 November 2016

Location: Rydges Cronulla, 20-26 The Kingsway, Cronulla, NSW, 2230

Cost: The session is worth a full 12 CPD points and is \$175.00 for members and \$395.00 for non-members.

To register: Email us at education.nsw@stratacommunity.org.au.

For more course information please click [here](#).

CPD Online



SCA (NSW) offers members and non-members the

Certificate of Registration | 22-25 November



Take your first step towards a career in strata today!

To enter the industry as a strata manager you will need to complete three units of competency from the CPP30311 Certificate III Property Services (Operations). This course is conducted over 4 days and is delivered in partnership with Real Estate Training Solutions P/L (RTO ID 90897).

Dates: Tuesday 22 to 25 Friday November 2016

Location: SCA (NSW) Training Room, Level 1, 845 Pacific Highway, Chatswood

Cost: \$990.00 (GST free)

To register: Email us at education.nsw@stratacommunity.org.au or phone (02) 9492 8200.

For more course information please click [here](#).

Level 1,2 & 3 Accreditation for Strata Managers



This is an excellent way of standing out from the crowd.

Gaining any level of accreditation demonstrates to your stakeholders that you are a professional in your field.

For more information please click [here](#) or email accreditation.nsw@stratacommunity.org.au.

To apply please click [here](#) to complete the application form.

opportunity to fulfill their CPD requirements online via E-Learning.

Read the materials, complete the assignment, submit for marking and provided you pass, then you are compliant for another year.

The price is \$139.00 for SCA (NSW) members and \$245.00 for non-members. This price includes GST.

Click [here](#) to get started now.

Certificate of Registration

Lunch Sponsorship Opportunities



SCA (NSW) is offering corporate services members the opportunity to sponsor a lunch at the Certificate of Registration (COR) courses.

This is a great opportunity to build relationships with new strata managers entering the industry as well as increase the awareness of your products and services.

To download a booking form please click [here](#).

For any enquiries email us at events.nsw@stratacommunity.org.au

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