



## Membership Information Pack

### WHY JOIN CONSULTING SURVEYORS SA

CSSA seeks to provide a forum for Cadastral surveyors in private practice, to come together to ensure the ongoing viability and prosperity of the profession.

In pursuing this goal, CSSA takes a leading role, at times along with GCA (formerly SSSI), in advocating the interests of the profession with the Surveyors Board SA, the Surveyor Generals Office, the Registrar Generals Office and the numerous government offices and agencies the profession deals with. We can all agree, a strong and progressive profession, is one that best serves the community.

So, we ask that all Consulting Surveying Firms and their employees come together under the CSSA banner. One voice representing the business sector of surveying, can be an effective driver of positive change, when guided with care.

We continue to develop and present programs for member participation including:

- Business tools aimed specifically at the Consulting Surveyor.
- A Professional Practice Scheme endorsed by the Professional Standards Council by legislation in each state that has the aim of providing liability cap to professional indemnity insurance through participation in risk management programs.
- Promoting further education on aspects of commercial operations that improve business efficiencies and sustainability.
- Collaboration with other state Consulting Surveyor groups in programs and events common to all practices.
- Fostering the 'spirit of fraternity' that has existed in the past through the previous Association of Consulting Surveyors SA.
- Advocacy in protecting the interests of the private sector of surveying in dealing with legislation reviews and other statutory obligations conferred upon surveying consultants in liaising with government and the Surveyors Board SA.

We welcome requests by members seeking representation and suggestions for further programmes.

CSSA relates to all Surveyors and RSG's in private practice, and so application for membership is uniquely structured to enable individual, as well as firm membership.

We have grown to 21 member firms representing over half of the private sector professional surveyors and we urge members to continue their vital support for our profession.

## **The year past events (22-23)**

Our goal is to hold four workshop / networking events a year. This past year included events as follows:

- Tue 9/8/22 – Discussion Forum “What are the latest updates with the White Paper” Response by the SG Bradley Slape. This was a positive response to the white paper as prepared by CSSA. The second topic “University discontinues the Surveying Course, effective immediately!” with response from the SG, Gerry Shone (CSVic) and Scott Allen (UniSA).
- Wed 26/10/22 – “Contract Management Elements – Part 1 – Debtor Management” with Damian Brogden (Sawley Lock).
- Wed 21/12/22 - X-mas drinks event
- Wed 19/4/23 – “Future demands for 3D survey & Spatial data in built form projects” with CR Kennedy (Brenton Weigler), Pyper Laker (Marty Leaker / Kane Ryan) and Damian Brogden (Sawley Lock) presenting.

The board is working on at least 1 more event by the calendar end of 2023.

This year has been a busy year and the board has been active in:

- various committees including the BEELG taskforce chaired by the minister Nick Champion, the Survey Industry Liaison Group (SILG) meeting with Land Services, SG reps and SBSA. Also, the Industry Stakeholder Reference group.
- involvement in the national programs on; hourly rates study, Survey Award Review, Professional Standards Scheme.
- collaboration with Consulting Surveyors National on their national conference and webinar series
- following up action items including ongoing response from the SG on white paper issues and determination of the Surveyors’ accreditation under the PDI Act. We continue to develop our web site, and closely monitor the progress of the new survey degree.

## **The coming year**

We are continuing to work on a positive trajectory with membership numbers. The more coverage we can achieve, the more benefits will flow back to members including greater scope to provide business assistance.

We also continue to work on growing our sponsorship having developed a sponsors’ pack, aimed at the businesses and suppliers servicing the surveying profession. Growing our membership numbers and encouraging collaboration with our sponsors, is key to retaining sponsorship support.

We anticipate the level of advocacy on behalf of members to the various levels of government will gain momentum this year. We have several matters to progress, particularly in light of the new Surveying Degree, recent changes in planning assessment within the PDI Act and the upcoming conversion to digital plan lodgement.

Our event program remains a critical element to member services and benefits, and we strive to provide a program of relevant topics that assist your daily business. As stated, suggestions are always welcome.

## MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR THE 2023/24 FINANCIAL YEAR

Annual membership fees apply from 1 July 2023. We have raised fees by \$100 through necessity. Though your board works on a voluntary basis to minimise costs. Membership categories are listed below.

Note: CSSA is now registered for GST. The fees listed below will have GST applied on invoice.

### FULL MEMBERS

#### MEMBER FIRM

Firm subscription fee\* \$575 per business entity

\*In addition, each Member Firm MUST nominate at least 1 Representative.

Each Nominated Eligible Representative Fee\*\*

\*\*Firms with 1-4 incl Representatives \$375 each

\*\*Firms with >5 representatives \$200 each, above 4 representatives

#### Examples:

Firm with 1 Representative Fee:	\$ 575 + (1x\$375) = \$950
Firm with 4 Representatives Fee:	\$575 + (4 x \$375) = \$2,075
Firm with 5 Representatives Fee:	\$575 + (4 x \$375 + 1 x \$200) = \$2,275
Firm or Sole Trader with 1 Representative:	\$575 + \$375 = \$950

#### INDIVIDUAL MEMBER

Individual Member Fee \$950

### ASSOCIATES and EMERITUS MEMBERS

(Note: do not have voting rights)

Each firm or Individual \$200

#### WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A MEMBER FIRM REPRESENTATIVE AND AN INDIVIDUAL MEMBER?

Consulting Surveyors SA has adopted a unique membership structure that similar organisations do not feature. It allows for both Member Firms and Individual Members. Why have we done this?

We represent all professional surveyors working in the private sector, irrespective of their ownership status in a practice. To facilitate this, a surveyor can join individually with full membership entitlements even if the firm they hold employment with, does not wish to become a member.

Ideally, Consulting Surveyors SA would prefer to see all surveyors hold full membership through a Member Firm arrangement where all eligible employees are nominated as Representatives of the firm. A member Firm can nominate ALL of its professional surveyors as its Representatives and ALL will hold full membership entitlements.

#### PAYMENT OF MEMBERSHIP FEES

Upon approval for membership, the Administration Officer will remit an invoice to the applicant, confirming their membership status. Membership is confirmed upon payment of invoice.

## APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

### PART 1 – GENERAL BUSINESS ENTITY DETAILS

<b>Name of Member:</b> IE: Member Firm Name, Individual Member Name, Associate Firm or Individual, Emeritus Member (Individual)	
<b>Type of Business Entity:</b> IE: Company, Trust, Partnership, Sole Trader. Not applicable if applicant is for Individual Membership	<input type="checkbox"/> Company <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Partner <input type="checkbox"/> Sole Trader  <i>Not applicable if applicant is applying for Individual Membership</i>
<b>Class of Membership being applied for:</b> Tick which class of membership	<input type="checkbox"/> Member Firm <input type="checkbox"/> Individual Member <input type="checkbox"/> Emeritus <input type="checkbox"/> Sustaining Member <input type="checkbox"/> Associate Member
<b>Physical address:</b>	
<b>Postal address:</b> If different from Physical Address – for service of notices	
<b>Contact person:</b> Note this is not necessarily an Individual Member or Member Representative. Simply a contact person to for general queries. In the case of Associate, Sustaining, Emeritus Members, the above person will be the authorised person who will receive correspondence from Consulting Surveyors SA.	
<b>Business phone number:</b>	
<b>Email address:</b>	

### PROFESSIONAL INDEMNITY INSURANCE

Name of Insurer:			
Liability Cover Limit:		Expiry date:	

### MAIN BUSINESS ACTIVITIES / AREAS OF INTEREST

*Tick as appropriate*

<input type="checkbox"/> Cadastral Surveying	<input type="checkbox"/> Engineering Surveying	<input type="checkbox"/> Planning Advice
<input type="checkbox"/> Civil Engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> Aerial Surveying	<input type="checkbox"/> Hydrographic
<input type="checkbox"/> Spatial Information	<input type="checkbox"/> Multi-disciplinary	<input type="checkbox"/> Other



## **PART 2 – FOR MEMBER FIRM or INDIVIDUAL MEMBER APPLICANTS ONLY**

Part 2 needs to be completed by Member Firm or Individual Member applicants only AND in addition to Part 1.

### **INDIVIDUAL MEMBER / NOMINATED REPRESENTATIVES DETAILS**

Each applicant must provide details of the natural person(s) who will be an Individual Member or nominated as representatives (of the Member Firm) who will hold voting rights and be eligible for election to the Board of CSSA. Please add additional pages to this PART 2 sheet as necessary.

<b>NAME</b>	<b>QUALIFICATION</b>	<b>EMAIL ADDRESS</b>	<b>PHONE NO.</b>
(Representative or Individual Member name)	(Tertiary and professional)	(Personal email address for correspondence)	(Mobile phone number)

### **CERTIFICATION**

I / We apply for membership of Consulting Surveyors South Australia Ltd. in accordance with the category referenced in Part 1 and the Rules of the company.

#### **INDIVIDUAL MEMBER**

I make application as an Individual Member referenced in Part 1 and warrant that I will abide by the Rules and Constitution of Consulting Surveyors SA.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **OR**

#### **MEMBER FIRM**

On behalf of the business entity referenced in Part 1, I am authorised make application for admission as a Member Firm and warrant that our above nominated Representatives will abide by the Rules and Constitution of Consulting Surveyors SA.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### **QUESTIONS / QUERIES**

If you have any questions or require clarification of any matters relating to the completion of this form or the membership criteria, please contact Damian Brogden on 0422 236 522 or Kevin Petrilli on 0411 111 805.

Please forward completed form to [admin@consultingsurveyorssa.com.au](mailto:admin@consultingsurveyorssa.com.au).