

MARCH 2014 MELBOURNE

Software used in Geotechnical Engineering

The first meeting for 2014 was held on March 13 and 14 at The Windsor Hotel in Melbourne.

Sixty ground control practitioners and seven students heard twenty one presenters giving twenty three presentations. Issues raised by the presentations stimulated the sharing of ideas and experiences; providing opportunities to do so being a fundamental reason for these meetings and the existence of the Group.

Prizes for the best presentations could have gone to any of the presenters. However, there can only be two winners, one each day, and these were:

- Ryan Veenstra's (AMC Consultants) presentation "Modelling the Development of Stresses in a Cemented Paste Backfilled Stope".
- Bre-Anne Sainsbury's (Castlemaine Goldfields Ltd) presentation "Numerical Investigation of Pillar Recovery Adjacent to Stabilised Rockfill at the Ballarat Gold Project".

The Group thanks all presenters for sharing their experiences and appreciate the considerable time taken to prepare such great talks.

The Groups could not have provided such a high-quality meeting at such a low cost if not for the generous support of the 17 sponsors: AMC Consultants, Applied Concrete Solutions, BASF, BOSFA, DSI, Elasto-Plastic-Concrete (EPC), Fero, Geobruigg, Geohart Consultants, Groundprobe, Itasca, Jennmar, Maptek, Orica, Rock Australia, Sika and Stratacrete. Their support is greatly appreciated by the Groups and all attendees. You can link to their websites from the sponsors' page on the EAGCG's site <http://eagcg.org/>.

The presentations will soon be uploaded to a password protected area on the EAGCG website and will be downloadable by attendees. A password to access the information will be sent to attendees as soon as possible.

Members will be kept informed by email, LinkedIn and the EAGCG's web site as details become known when and where the next meeting will be held. Please contact the EAGCG Committee at secretariat@eagcg.org for sponsorship and participation information.

If you know of any industry personnel who would like to be added to our mailing list, get them LinkedIn to the Group and/or registered at <http://eagcg.org/contact/register/>.

Regards

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