



AIP Forums

by Llew Stephens, FAIP National President

“This year’s AIP forums focussed on a broad range of topics to ensure all member segments would find something of interest. The forums were well attended and had broad appeal beyond the level of packaging technologists.

Topics included:

- Retail directions both locally and in Asia.
- Provided and insight into export opportunities and legal requirements to enter these markets.
- Showed how a major global player (Coors Molson) treated packaging innovation and development.
- Provided basic information on emerging technologies and packaging innovations.
- Provided practical alternatives for companies grappling with the environment.

There was a high level of interest in the education programs offered by the AIP as companies small and large grapple with the dwindling pool of employees with the skills to really make a difference to product sales and profits via packaging innovation.”



By Michael Halley FAIP

The benefit of being a member of special interest or industry association was sheeted home in early May in Melbourne Australia when the Australian Institute of Packaging (AIP) conducted a members’ only seminar entitled Packaging Trends What Will They

Think of Next at the AUSPACK exhibition and information event.

The profile of AIP has been so enhanced in the last few years that international speakers from the near north (Singapore) and the far north-west (England) offered to share their experiences with the guaranteed audience of packaging professionals. This was assured as membership of AIP is individual and graded on qualifications in Packaging or closely related disciplines. So much interest was shown that the seminar session originally slated for one day was repeated on day two with both being filled to overflowing with delegates. So ten presenters covering a wide spectrum of expertise fronted the podium over the course of an ‘eight hour day’ to enthrall the audience with facts and predictions of what they will think of next.

AIP Forum Speakers



David Wiggins

Terry Turney

Farzana Mohsin



AIP on AUSPACK 2007

by Llew Stephens, National President

“AUSPACK 2007 proved to be a well organised event that showcased the major packaging equipment suppliers. It also provided potential purchasers with the opportunity to meet alternative suppliers for specific items and discuss proposed equipment advances.

Some processing equipment suppliers and processing industry consultants also took advantage of the opportunity to reach their target market. The opportunity to catch up with industry peers and establish a network of contacts for future developments is of inestimable value. The pool of packaging consultants at the AIP stand were able to answer many of the queries posed by AUSPACK attendees so this is likely to become a regular feature of any future AIP stands.”



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The AIP would like to express their sincerest gratitude to the following companies who generously supported the AIP National Technical Forums.



WRAP-UP OF PRESENTATIONS

David Wiggins Farzana Mohain David Darcy Lynda Slavinskis Bryce Hedditch David Fraser



The AIP presents the IoP

The AIP was founded in 1963 in response to a need for packaging technologists to network and to improve their knowledge and understanding of the latest available packaging technologies. The AIP accomplishes this by running formal education programs, holding monthly technical dinners and seminars and a national conference every 2 years. The Diploma course that the AIP offers was developed by the IoP and since its inception world wide in 1972 over 5000 students have passed the course worldwide.

The IoP was founded in 1947 and was the world's first professional packaging association covering the packaging industry. To ensure it maintained it's member benefits, continued to provide professional development and was able to guarantee it's position at the forefront of the packaging industry in the UK it merged with the Institute of Materials Minerals and Mining in 2005. This resulted in the formation of the IoP Packaging Society.

During AUSPACK Llew Stephens made a presentation to the IoP as the founding organisation of the IoP Packaging Society in recognition of 60 years as a service and training provider and leader in the global packaging industry. One of the previous IoP National Council Chairmen, David Wiggins, had flown out from the UK to speak at the technical forums so the AIP had the opportunity to make the presentation to him. David will be presenting the gift to the IoP upon his return to the UK.

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National Vocational Qualification



Packaging As A Marketing Tool
By JoAnn R. Hines, Packaging Diva



Packaging Snafus and Problems
By JoAnn R. Hines, Packaging Diva



I Was Attacked By Predatory Packaging
By JoAnn R. Hines, Packaging Diva

NEW MEMBERS

The AIP would like to welcome the following new Members...



NAME	Associate/Member	State	NAME	Associate/Member	State
Angelo Pettolino	A	QLD	Mia Muscatello	A	VIC
David Drew	A	NSW	Campbell McTavish	A	VIC
Russell Hurring	M	NZ	Niki Coates	A	VIC
Tony Searle	A	NSW	Adrian Esdaile	A	NZ
Richard Fine	M	NSW	Shane Wilson	A	VIC
Georgiana Stan	A	VIC	Loe Sykes	A	VIC
Wayne King	A	QLD	Larry Challis	A	VIC
Damian Cooke	A	VIC	Mark Harry	A	NSW
David Loch	A	QLD	Michelle Sami	A	QLD
Soren Jensen	M	QLD	Ian Bradley	A	VIC
Leonella Grassano	A	NSW	Natalie Bredin	A	NSW
Angelo Adronis	M	QLD	David Maude	A	NSW
Roman Domansky	M	VIC	Warren Hall	M	VIC
Glenn Newman	A	NSW	Vince Angelino	M	NSW
Rod Wyker	M	TAS	John McVeigh	M	QLD
Tony Harmer	M	NSW			

CAREERS

New Position Available
Masterfoods is looking for a Packaging Technologist - Research and Development for Ballarat, Vic.
Click here to read more about this position.



BOOK REVIEWS

Sharon Givoni's book reviews



MEMBER RENEWALS NOW DUE

Have you paid your annual Membership renewal?
Just a quick reminder that renewal Invoices are now due. If you have not paid your renewal please contact mark@aipack.com.au or phone him on 07 3278 4490 to organise your payment.

Don't miss out on the latest AIP activities for 2007



NEW SOUTH WALES
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BIO-PLASTICS & GREEN PACKAGING: POSSIBILITIES & CHALLENGES THURSDAY 31ST MAY

- Where?** Oatlands Golf Course Club House Bettington Road, Oatlands NSW (between Pennant Hills & Kissing Point Roads) Club House entry opposite Ellis Street (not Oatlands House)
- When?** Thursday May 31st
4:00 pm arrival
- Theme?** 'Green' packaging and the use of biodegradable and compostable plastics represents the next major wave in packaging technology as the globe struggles to respond to the greenhouse effect. Following on from the successful plant tour at Form-Rite in April where the processing & use of Plantic starch based materials was demonstrated, the AIP is pleased to offer an array of speakers with significant knowledge of bioplastics.

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PLANT TOUR AT FORMRITE WRAP-UP NEW SOUTH WALES



Following a successful plant tour of Colgate Palmolive in early March, the NSW membership was afforded a great day out this month at FormRite in Brookvale on the lovely northern beaches of Sydney. FormRite are a well established company offering turnkey point of sale solutions including trays, wall units and even the metal & acrylic in-store game console for the Sony Playstation (which was turned around in only 10 days).

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CAN-CANNING TO INFINITY WRAP-UP VICTORIA

Concern from the audience was that consumers may become confused or complacent and end up with spoiled product.

Some emerging European trends market the advantages of new clear plastic barrier technology and has delivered retorted hot dogs with included sauce, which has not displaced cans, but glass.

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VICTORIA
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TECHNICAL DINNER MONDAY 18TH JUNE

- Where?** German Club Tivoli 291 Dandenong Rd, Prahran (on-site parking available)
- When?** 6.00 pm to 9.00pm
- Theme?** **Emerging uses for water based ink for packaging.** Presented by Dr Gary Mort, Head of Technology(Aust & NZ), Siegwerk. Gary's paper will detail the practical and accepted uses of water based inks for markets.
- Applications of technology in packaging prepress workflows.** Presented by Catherine Heffernan, Business Development Manager for Eastern Studios Graphics Pty. Ltd.
- Many of the technological changes that have taken place in packaging workflows are part of the prepress process.

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PLASTICS IN PACKAGING SEMINAR WRAP-UP QUEENSLAND



The AIP Qld branch recently ran a very successful seminar on the theme of 'Plastics in Packaging'.

As consumers want freshness and convenience and retailers increased shelf life and improved distribution performance; plastics become a viable option to the traditional packaging mediums in many situations.

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