



Biennial Meeting 2012

Second Circular

Lake Tekapo, South Island, New Zealand

Peppers Bluewater Resort

31 January 2012

Registration and Abstract Submission:

Abstract submission is now closed but registrations will remain open until 2 February. So if you want to come get in quick.

Student awards

With all abstracts now in we are considering the allocation of student travels awards. These will be announced at the conference welcome. Prizes for the best student presentations will be announced at lunch on Friday 17th after the final session.

Pre-Arranged Accommodation: All those who requested the pre-arranged accommodation have been accommodated. Your house and room allocations will be announced on Sunday 12 February at the ice-breaker function.

Pre-conference field trip: The pre-conference field trip has 22 participants. We will be doing pick-ups from accommodations and from the airport on the morning of 12 February. The last pick-up will be the airport at 9 am. If you haven't advised me (Peter Almond) of where you'll be that morning then do so immediately. The trip will head north initially to North Canterbury to view a loess section near Waipara. We will then have an earlyish lunch accompanied by wine-tasting at Waipara Springs vineyard. Please bring along \$15 for the lunch platter. The trip then heads south to the Rakaia River, where the last stop will be. We then motor on to Lake Tekapo. We hope to be there by 6.30, in time for the ice-breaker barbeque.

Conference Programme The programme has evolved since the first circular. We will now be taking advantage of a meeting being held by the Snow and Ice Research Group in nearby Twizel (20 mins drive from Lake Tekapo) by attending their meeting on the morning of Wednesday 15 February. Some of their participants will join us for Thursday and Friday. This has required that we move the mid-conference field trip to Tuesday 14 February. The preliminary programme, which is unlikely to change, is below:

	Monday, 13 Feb	Tuesday, 14 Feb	Wednesday, 15 Feb	Thursday, 16 Feb	Friday, 17 Feb
08:00					
08:10			Travel to Twizel		
08:20					
08:30					
08:40					
08:50					
09:00	Welcome				
09:10	Keynote Mackenzie Basin - Barrell			Keynote - Chivas	Keynote - Vandergoes
09:20					
09:30					
09:40					Williams
09:50	Keynote - Newnham				
10:00				DeDecker	Petherick
10:10					
10:20			SIRG Meeting	<i>Morning tea</i>	<i>Morning tea</i>
10:30	<i>Morning tea</i>				
10:40					
10:50					Moody
11:00	DeDecker				
11:10				Brookman	Callard
11:20	Kermode				
11:30				Stahl	Student awards
11:40	Kaufman				
11:50				McDonald	
12:00	Lunch			poster (Atahan, Smith, Gulyás)	Lunch
12:10					
12:20					
12:30					
12:40					
12:50			Field trip	Lunch	Lunch
01:00	Lorrey				
01:10					
01:20	McGowan				
01:30					
01:40	Upton		Travel to Tekapo	Keynote - Reeves	
01:50					
02:00	White		Almond		
02:10				Bostock	
02:20			Eger		
02:30	<i>Afternoon tea</i>			Doughty	
02:40			Gulyás		
02:50				Barrows	Travel back to Christchurch
03:00	Keynote - Sloss				
03:10			<i>Afternoon tea</i>		
03:20				<i>Afternoon tea</i>	
03:30	Chappell				
03:40					
03:50	Webb				
04:00					
04:10	Barrell		AQUA meeting	INTIMATE - SHAPE update, QSR special issue	
04:20					
04:30	Aiken				
04:40					
04:50					

Preparing yourself for Lake Tekapo: We will be at Lake Tekapo in summer so you can expect some hot days and bright sunshine. We are, however, at about 750 m ASL where under a cloudless sky expect the nights to cool off. New Zealand is also renowned for “Four seasons in one day”. If a southerly front passes through the weather could turn cold quite quickly. In short, be prepared for hot and cold. Have a jersey and something wind and shower proof. Also bring your togs (bathers, swimmers). The lake is cool but there is a heated pool in Lake Tekapo. For the field trip on the Tuesday, make sure you have sunglasses, hat, sunblock, and there may be a few biting insects at some of the stops, so you may wish to bring your favourite repellent. If you have any medical conditions that could be life threatening you should let me (Peter Almond) know.

Returning to Christchurch: The bus will be leaving Lake Tekapo after lunch on Friday 17 February, bound for Christchurch. The schedule has the bus at the airport at 5.30 pm and then the bus is available for drop-offs at other accommodations. Please note, if you have arranged for a flight for which your arrival time needs to be before 5.30 pm on Friday 17 February, then you need to contact me so we can make alternative arrangements.

Ice Breaker Barbeque: The ice breaker BBQ will be held on the lake shores near the Lake Tekapo Power Boat club sheds. This is located on the south west corner of the lake to the north of the village. If the weather is bad we will use the club rooms. We plan to kick off at 6.30 pm.

