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About Us

The Australasian College of Road Safety is the region's peak membership association for road safety with a vision of eliminating death and serious injury on the road. Our members include experts from all areas of road safety including policy makers, health and transport professionals, academics, community organisations, researchers, federal, state, and local government agencies, private companies, and members of the public. The purpose of the ACRS is to support our members in their efforts to eliminate serious road trauma through knowledge sharing, professional development, networking, and advocacy. The ACRS believes that it is never acceptable that people are killed or seriously injured in the road traffic system, which must be made safe for all road users. Those who regulate, design and manage the road traffic system (governments, road authorities, vehicle manufacturers, organisations which provide or procure transport services) are responsible for the level of safety in the entire system. In undertaking all of these activities, the aim should be to minimise the potential for road-user error and to protect users from fatal or serious injuries when errors do occur.

Objectives of the ACRS

The objectives of the organisation are:

- To promote and advocate policies and practices that support a harm elimination agenda within society.
- To share road safety knowledge and promote further research and evaluation to deepen the road safety knowledge base.
- To promote and support professional development, institutional strengthening, and networking in pursuit of its overall objective.
- To promote a collegial and collaborative climate amongst all those with responsibilities for and working in road safety.
- To improve relative safety outcomes for vulnerable demographic and user groups within the community.
- To promote post-crash policies and practices which support its other objectives.
- To promote road safety as a critical organisational objective within government, business, and the community.

Patron of the Australasian College of Road Safety



Honourable David John Hurley AC DSC (Retd)

David Hurley was sworn in as the Governor-General of Australia in July 2019. His Excellency was very happy to accept the role of Patron of the Australasian College of Road Safety, taking over from the previous Governor-General, Sir Peter Cosgrove.

David Hurley is a graduate of the Royal Military College Duntroon. He had a distinguished 42-year military career which included operations in Somalia and East Timor, and which culminated in the role of Chief of the Defence Force. David Hurley also served as the 38th Governor of NSW, from October 2014 to May 2019.

Governance

ACRS Executive Committee

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| President | Prof Ann Williamson - Chair |
| Vice President, Finance & Admin; NZ Co-Chair | Dr Rebecca McLean |
| Vice President, Policy | Prof Narelle Haworth |
| Immediate Past President | Mr Martin Small |
| Treasurer; QLD Chair | A/Prof Mark King |
| ACT Chair | Mr Eric Chalmers |
| NSW Chair | Dr Prasannah Prabhakaran |
| VIC Chair | Ms Chris Harrison |
| SA Chair | Dr Jamie Mackenzie |
| WA Chair | Ms Teresa Williams |
| NZ Co-Chair | Mr Paul Durdin |
| IOC Co-Chair | A/Prof Teresa Senserrick |
| IOC Co-Chair | A/Prof Masria Mustafa |
| IOC Co-Chair | Mr Ali Zayerzadeh |
| Committee Member (to May 2022) | Ms Melissa Weller |
| Committee Member | Ms Liz Waller |
| Committee Member | Dr Sjaan Koppel |
| Committee Member | Dr John Crozier |
| Committee Member | Assoc Prof Sharon Newnam |
| Committee Member (from May 2022) | Mr David McTiernan |

ACRS Management Sub-Committee

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| President | Prof Ann Williamson - Chair |
| Chief Executive Officer | Dr Ingrid Johnston |
| Vice-President, Finance & Admin | Dr Rebecca McLean |
| Vice President, Policy | Prof Narelle Haworth |
| Treasurer | A/Prof Mark King |
| Chapter Representative | Ms Teresa Williams |
| Committee Member | Ms Liz Waller |
| Committee Member | Dr John Crozier |

ACRS Finance, Risk and Audit Sub-Committee

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| President | Prof Ann Williamson |
| Chief Executive Officer | Dr Ingrid Johnston |
| Vice-President, Finance & Admin | Dr Rebecca McLean - Co-Chair |
| Treasurer | A/Prof Mark King - Co-Chair |
| Operations Manager | Ms Anna Lang |
| Committee Member | Mr Matthew Irvine |
| Committee Member | Dr Rod Katz |
| Committee Member | AC Glenn Weir APM |

ACRS Staff

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| Chief Executive Officer | Dr Ingrid Johnston |
| Operations Manager | Ms Anna Lang |
| Senior Communications Manager | Ms Cara Smith |
| Data Systems Manager | Mx Gemma Beet |
| Senior Research Officer (from July 2022) | Dr Diane Spencer-Scarr |
| Administration Officer (from Oct 2022) | Ms Emma Jenssen |
| Strategic Partnership Manager (from Nov 2022) | Ms Lesley Tipping |

President's Report

This is my first annual President's Report, but I can lay claim to only half of the year as I assumed the position of President in June. Martin Small, our Immediate Past President was in the role for the first 6 months of 2022. In fact, Martin is our first formal Immediate Past President since we modified our procedures for succession of Presidents at the last AGM. Our new succession process involved the creation of an Immediate Past President role as well as a President-Elect position, each for one year. We made the change to encourage continuity of strategy, policy, and action through a formal planned succession for ACRS leadership. This, we hope, will ensure the work of the ACRS through links and experience made by the President during their time in office are not lost to the Council when the President comes to the end of their term. We also hope that providing a 'training' period for the President-Elect will be helpful, so no ground is lost in the momentum of the work of the ACRS when they become President. Following the next AGM, we will elect the President-Elect who will be in the role for one year while I complete my second and final Presidential year.

Our CEO, Dr Ingrid Johnston's report describes the main activities for the ACRS in 2022. The number and scope of the activities is impressive. The ACRS has become increasingly active in interacting with the wider road safety community. Submissions to enquiries have been increasing which means that the ACRS is actively working to meet its advocacy objectives. Our submissions covered a broad range of important road safety topics from speeding and dangerous driving to compulsory third party insurance and emission-free modes of transport. As the peak body on road safety, having input on these issues is an important function of the ACRS.

The conference was a highlight and not just because of the first-rate presentations and discussions, but also because it was held in New Zealand for the first time. It involved the highest number of participants we have seen and as it was primarily a face-to-face conference it allowed networking again after the virtual conference held in 2021. The conference brought together road safety and injury prevention researchers, practitioners, and policy makers from different parts of Australasia and beyond. The conference affords the best chance of learning and exchanging ideas and practices with other road safety professionals which, in a multidisciplinary field like road safety, is essential for continuing education and professional growth.

In the relatively short time that I have been President, I have been impressed by the healthy state of the ACRS and how our organisation has continued to grow from its establishment 30 years ago. In the last few years, there was a focus on governance and management systems that establish the checks and balances needed for a grown-up organisation. The ACRS is now overseen by an Executive Council, consisting of elected members and a representative from each of the Chapters. We also have very active sub-committees reporting to the Council which include the Management Sub-Committee, Chapter Chairs' Committee, and Finance-Risk-Audit Sub-Committee. Having these structures active and working well, provides the ACRS with the firm foundations we need to ensure that we can move forward as the peak road safety professional body. A great deal of this occurred under Martin Small's and Ingrid Johnston's leadership, and it is thanks to the work of these colleagues and the skills and commitment from our members who have volunteered to participate in our new committees that has helped the ACRS go from strength to strength.

A strong ACRS means we expand our membership-base. We now have a Chapter in Tasmania who have hit the ground running with activities planned into the future. We also have two new Networks focussing on local government and early career professionals, both of which are holding regular seminars and other activities to support these important professional groups. I expect these new activities will become vital aspects of the ACRS.

I would like to thank sincerely our CEO, Ingrid Johnston and the ACRS team who have helped me find my feet as President, without whom our strengthened governance structures would not be translated into enhanced action on so many fronts. Thank you also to Martin Small for handing over the ACRS in such good shape.

As we are all aware, with our road safety indicators of fatalities and serious injuries floundering and showing at best little or no improvements, there is currently much to do in road safety. I genuinely believe that the ACRS can play a major role in turning this around. This will not be an easy job, but with the obvious skills and expertise of our members and our enthusiasm to tackle the task, we can do this together. I look forward to working with everyone in 2023.

Prof Ann Williamson
President of the Australasian College of Road Safety

CEO Report

ACRS significantly broadened its reach and impact in the road safety sector in 2022 through sustained efforts from our members and staff. This growth has been through a variety of new efforts; responses to global, national, and state level strategies; and strengthening of existing positions outlined here.

UN High Level Meeting on Road Safety

I was honoured to represent the ACRS at the first ever [United Nations High Level Meeting on Road Safety](#). The UN meeting of Heads of State, Ministers, Department Secretaries, and Member States' representatives from Permanent Missions to the United Nations as well as Non-Government Organisations and stakeholders from around the world facilitated discussions of road safety issues and how to progress the Global Plan for the Second Decade of Action on Road Safety.

The meeting resulted in a [Political Declaration](#) and (based on provisional analysis by the Global Alliance of NGOs for Road Safety) the presentation of 73 Statements by Member States sharing the road safety progress of their countries. Disappointingly, statements providing updates on road safety here were made by neither Australia nor New Zealand, who were not represented at the meeting.

Driving Reform: Final Report from the Australian Joint Select Committee Inquiry into Road Safety

In late March 2022, the Australian Parliamentary Joint Select Committee on Road Safety tabled its final report. The submission and evidence of the Australasian College of Road Safety was cited multiple times, including in relation to serious injuries data, the Commonwealth's role in road safety, the importance of establishing a Joint Standing Committee in the next Parliament, including agencies outside Transport and Infrastructure in the national road safety agenda, the need for a national road safety research strategy, transparency in investment and road safety outcomes and the publication of infrastructure star ratings, and workplace safety issues on the roads. The Inquiry has made over 60 recommendations, including some strong recommendations relating to governance and accountability, which are welcomed by the ACRS.

Aotearoa New Zealand Land Transport Rule: Setting of Speed Limits 2022

The new *Land Transport Rule: Setting of Speed Limits 2022* came into force in Aotearoa New Zealand on 19th May 2022. The new rule provides a whole of network approach with speed management considered alongside investment in safety infrastructure, and sets requirements that road controlling authorities must comply with when setting speed limits. There are targets for safe speeds around schools, including 30km/hr around urban schools, with timelines for compliance. The new Rule has an accompanying Speed Management Guide and newly released National Speed Limit Register, an online maps-based central source of all fixed speed limits.

The ACRS was also approached by Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency to conduct a peer review of the [Speed Management Guide: Road to Zero edition](#) which provides guidance to road controlling authorities on how to establish, consult on and set safe and appropriate speed limits under the Land Transport Rule. [The peer review](#) found that the Guide "seeks a fundamental change to business as usual and in doing so discusses the "why", and addresses underlying principles, community engagement, and planning for change.

Launch of the Women in Road Safety Project

In 2022 the ACRS, together with the Australian Local Government Association, and Monash University's Accident Research Centre, was awarded a National Careers Institute Partnership grant to research road safety career pathways for women. The project focus is to research the skills and expertise required by employees, the professional development needed by road safety professionals, and gaps in available education. It will establish a career pathway with training requirements for women to enhance their careers within road safety.

The 12-month project includes a new ACRS Award for Women in Road Safety, as well as a pre-conference networking event which saw our first gathering for women in road safety, with interesting discussions around what it means to work in road safety, the diversity within the sector, how careers develop in road safety, and what barriers and enablers there are. The research report will be released in 2023.

Advocacy

The ACRS made 16 [submissions](#) to various federal and state committees, as well as to the Australian Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Communications, the Australian Department of Health and Aged Care, Standards Australia, and Austroads in 2022. The ACRS actively communicates consultation opportunities in the Weekly Alert and encourages all members to participate in the ACRS submission process for relevant issues.

ACRS produced the [2022 Australian Federal Election Policy Platform](#) which highlighted 8 distinct requirements of the next Australian Government. 2022 also saw the release of our policy position statements on [speed management](#), and on [climate change and road safety](#), and the establishment of the working groups to develop statements on safe systems, data needs in road safety, and motorcycle safety. Thank you to all members involved in the development of these statements – it was fantastic to see such strong engagement with the process of crystalising the position of the ACRS on these important issues.

Australasian Road Safety Conference (ARSC)

The outstanding Australasian Road Safety Conference 2022 was held in Ōtautahi, Christchurch, in the South Island of New Zealand as well as online. With 700 delegates from 21 countries around the world, our first ever hybrid conference was also our largest ever conference. The excitement of being together again was clear, and the overwhelming success of this event is a testament to the enormous amount of work from each and everyone involved in organising it. We are looking forward to ARSC 2023, which will be held in Cairns, Queensland, and online from 19-21 September 2023.

Launch of the Tasmania Chapter

We were thrilled to see the new Tasmanian Chapter of the ACRS officially launched in 2022. This strong and growing network of road safety professionals in Tasmania have been very active already, and we look forward to building upon this with continued knowledge sharing and advocacy work.

Establishment of Networks

Also in 2022, the ACRS established two Networks to enhance collaboration between our members and other stakeholders. The Local Government Network (LGN) was launched with a webinar in November 2022. The LGN provides exceptional opportunities to connect with progressive road safety professionals, practitioners, and stakeholders. The LGN is a place to celebrate and share the successes you've had, collaborate on ideas and seek help for issues you are experiencing. The Early Career Network (ECN) is for anyone who considers themselves to be at the beginnings of their road safety career. We have plans for the ECN to offer a mentorship program and may also offer early career specific seminars, as well as the established pre-conference workshop held each year at the Australasian Road Safety Conference.

We thank you, our members for your continued support, and encourage you to stay updated on the activities and opportunities on the new ACRS Website launched in late 2022 as well as the Journal of Road Safety website.

Finally, thank you to ACRS President Professor (Em) Ann Williamson, Immediate Past President Martin Small, Executive Council members, Management Sub-committee members, Finance, Risk and Audit Sub-committee members, Chapter Committee members, all other members who participated in advocacy, education, and events, and the amazing team of ACRS staff who have all been instrumental in the progress we achieved in 2022.

The dedication and determination of our incredible members inspires me daily, and I look forward to continuing to work with you all towards eliminating trauma on our roads.

Dr Ingrid Johnston

Chief Executive Officer of the Australasian College of Road Safety

Treasurer's Report

- The 2022 Financials have been signed off by the auditor as fairly representing the financial position of the ACRS as at 31 December 2022.
- The 2022 Financial Report shows that we had a deficit of \$304,289 which follows a surplus of \$76,010 in 2021. The deficit in 2022 was less than budgeted, with ~\$100k of the deficit due to a change of accounting practices, which has resulted in pre-paid memberships being acknowledged in the following years financials i.e. 2023.

Table 1. Budget vs Actuals for 2022

| | Budget | Actual |
|----------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Income | \$1,280,792 | \$1,396,608 |
| Expenditure | \$1,617,930 | \$1,700,897 |
| Net Surplus/ Deficit | -\$337,138 | -\$304,289 |

- There were no recommendations from the auditor for 2022.

Revenue

- Our Individual and Corporate members continue to be supportive of the ACRS, with 66% of Individuals and 92% of Corporates due at the end of 2022 renewing their memberships for 2023.
- The hybrid ARSC2022 was a successful event which resulted in \$306,036 surplus overall.
- In 2022 we received Grant Funding from the Australian Government through: the Federal Road Safety Awareness and Enables Fund for the: Scholarships for Low- and Middle- Income Countries to attend ARSC2022 (\$22,500) and Gold Sponsorship for ARSC2022 (\$27,500), and the National Careers Institute Partnership Grants for Women in Road Safety a Career Pathway (\$310,500). We also received funding from the ACT Government Road Safety Fund (\$2,500) and Technology Upgrade Fund (\$5,516).

Expenditure

- The main areas of expenditure in 2022 were related to the delivery of ARSC2022 and staffing. Staff are essential for the delivery of member benefits including the conference and Journal, and progressing the mission of the ACRS. We were fortunate in 2022 with the appointment of a number of grant-funded positions.
- Conference related expenditure was high in 2022 due to the hybrid conference being based overseas. Travel costs were greater than previous years, and the virtual component of the hybrid conference was expensive, however it expanded the reach of the conference.

Balance sheet

- The ACRS finished 2022 with a strong balance sheet. Net assets amounted to \$847,293.

Budget

- The 2023 Budget shows a substantial deficit. This is to allow for the launch of a Customer Relationship Manager (CRM) with increased functionality, a face-to-face Executive Council Strategic Planning Day, and targeted membership marketing materials.
- There are sufficient reserves available to cover this deficit.
- The ACRS is fortunate to have contingency funds available which reduces financial risk to the ACRS and assist with unexpected scenarios.

A/Prof Mark King

Treasurer of the Australasian College of Road Safety

Advocacy and Communications

Advocacy, Media, and Engagement

ACRS worked to increase the visibility of itself and road safety with the ACRS CEO participating in over 15 international and national industry events and meetings in 2022, predominately as an invited speaker. Highlights include: the UN High-Level Meeting on Improving Global Road Safety; Canadian Association of Road Safety Professionals Conference; National Roads and Traffic Expo; AITPM National Conference; National Road Safety Strategy Action Plan Consultation; as well as many visits with ACRS Chapters and state stakeholders.

Media engagement was amplified in 2022, with ACRS issuing [9 media releases](#), and ACRS leaders featured in more than 20 newspaper, television, and radio interviews on wide ranging road safety issues including: speed cameras and signage in NSW; the potential impact of the National Road Safety Strategy; women more likely to be hospitalised after a vehicle crash; increased penalties for dangerous driving; e-scooter trials; Australian National Road Safety Week; the number of road related deaths in the Northern Territory; and the intersection of road safety with climate change.

The ACRS also continued to keep members informed of road safety sector news through the weekly e-newsletter – The Weekly Alert. ACRS also maintained a presence on major social media platforms, with the ACRS LinkedIn account gaining an 88% increase in followers in 2022.

The [ACRS Policy Principles](#) were formally adopted by the membership during the 2022 Annual General Meeting in May. The policy principles underpin the position taken by the ACRS and draw inspiration from good practice in the safest countries and the safest industries. They are designed to provide an overview of our fundamental values and are the foundation of our advocacy work. 2022 also saw the release of our policy position statements on [speed management](#), and on [climate change and road safety](#), and the establishment of the working groups to develop statements on safe systems, data needs in road safety, and motorcycle safety.

In 2022 ACRS worked to bring road safety to the forefront during the Australian Federal Election with the release of the ACRS [2022 Australian Federal Election Policy Platform](#) which highlighted 8 distinct requirements of the next Australian Government.

The ACRS made 16 [submissions](#) with members encouraged to participate in the ACRS submission process on issues relevant to them. The submissions are detailed below.

Submissions

[ACRS Pre-Budget Submission - 28 January 2022](#)

[Australian Industry Standards: TLI41221Y Certificate IV in Driver Training - 7 February 2022](#)

[Three Transport Priorities – 2022 Australian Federal Election - 14 February 2022](#)

[Alcohol Tax Open Letter to The Hon Josh Frydenberg MP - 21 February 2022](#)

[ACRS Submission on lane keeping systems for light vehicles – draft ADR 107/00 - 1 March 2022](#)

[ACRS Submission on seatbelt assemblies for motor vehicles - 10 March 2022](#)

[Inquiry into the Road Transport Amendment \(Medicinal Cannabis-Exemptions from Offences\) Bill 2022 \(NSW\) - April 2022](#)

[Australian Federal Election 2022 Policy Platform - May 2022](#)

[Inquiry into speed limits and road safety in regional NSW - July 2022](#)

[Inquiry into emissions free modes of public transport \(NSW\) - July 2022](#)

[Active Travel Plan \(ACT\) - August 2022](#)

[2022 Review of the Lifetime Care and Support \(LCS\) Scheme \(NSW\) and 2022 Review of the Compulsory Third Party \(CTP\) Insurance Scheme - September 2022](#)

[Motorcycle graduated licencing system review \(Tas\) - September 2022](#)

[Inquiry into Dangerous Driving \(ACT\) - September 2022](#)

[National Heavy Vehicle Driver Competency Framework - October 2022](#)

[ACRS Submission on Australian CDC - December 2022](#)

ACRS Webinars

Post-Crash Care – Understanding the Psychosocial Needs as Part of the Safe Systems Approach – 2 March 2022

Ingrid Johnston (ACRS CEO), Teresa Williams (ACRS WA Chapter Chair), Lorraine Flannery (RTSSV), Christine Smith (Injury Matters), Chris Harrison (RTSSV), Prof Lou Harms (University of Melbourne).

This webinar explored the psychosocial impacts of road incidents; untangled the complexities and trajectories people face, the ripple effect within individuals, families, and communities; and the systems that can support or inhibit recovery. [Click here to watch the recording.](#)

National Road Safety Strategy 2021-2023 – A Discussion of Opportunities – 18 March 2022

Prof Narelle Haworth (ACRS Vice President, Policy), Joanne Wilson-Ridley (Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council), David McTiernan (ARRB), Liz Waller (Transurban), Mick Timms (RTS Zero), Prof Richard Franklin (James Cook University), Shaun Lennard (Australian Motorcycle Association).

The National Road Safety Strategy (NRSS) 2021-30 sets out Australia's road safety objectives over the next decade and brings the opportunity to refocus the way we think about road transport – from how fast we get there, to how safely we get there. The webinar featured an esteemed panel of road safety experts who presented their thoughts on the opportunities for their particular sector including local government, engineering, business, enforcement, and health. [Click here to watch the recording.](#)

A Road Safety Research Strategy for Australia – 16 September 2022

Prof Ann Williamson (ACRS President), Jeremy Woolley (CASR), Michael Nieuwesteeg (Austroads), Jerome Carslake (NRSP), Judith Carlton (NRSP).

The National Road Safety Strategy 2021-2030 includes research as one of the key enabling actions – “...there are opportunities to leverage off the strength of tertiary institutions and continue to build and strengthen partnerships with industry and particular cohorts of the community. A National Road Safety Action Plan will prioritise a targeted research program that will change with time as new issues emerge and the implementation of new programs is adopted”. [Click here to watch the recording.](#)

ACRS Local Government Network Webinar – 18 November 2022

Mel Suitor (Parkes, Forbes & Lachlan Shire Councils), Kate McDougall (Eurobodalla Shire Council), Mathew McQuinn (Mornington Peninsula Council), Terri-Anne Pettet (WALGA), Renée Wise (City of Gold Coast Council).

The webinar discussed road safety strategic plans from multiple jurisdictions and compared how these plans were developed, what they covered, and the different tips for success. Speakers also discussed why road safety strategic planning is an important council function, and there was discussion around the role the ACRS Local Government Network can play moving forward. [Click here to watch the recording.](#)

Australasian Road Safety Conference 2022 (ARSC2022)

ARSC2022 was held as a hybrid conference 28-30 September 2022, with the in-person element held at the Te Pae Christchurch Convention Centre in New Zealand. The conference was a multi-disciplinary event, themed 'Changing today for tomorrow'. Presentations included research, educational and policing program implementation, and policy and management strategies related to all aspects of road safety. There were a range of topics including speed, infrastructure and road design, education, licensing, vehicle design, and impairment due to alcohol, drugs, and mobile phones. The conference plenaries covered the impacts of climate change on future transport systems and how this might impact on road safety. There was a special plenary session on safety issues for First Nations peoples across New Zealand and Australia and how we can work with these communities to achieve vision zero.

The conference presented both face-to-face and virtual symposium sessions including the following important topics: integrating road safety into local government, automated enforcement, implementing speed management in Victoria and New Zealand, gig economy road safety, changing the way we think about older Australian drivers, managing the safety of ageing heavy vehicle drivers, and redeveloping bike education.

The conference had 711 delegates from 18 countries: Australia, Botswana, Canada, Ethiopia, India, Indonesia, Iran, Japan, Malaysia, Myanmar, Nepal, New Zealand, Philippines, Samoa, Scotland, Thailand, United States of America, and Vietnam.

There were 259 submissions for ARSC2022 and over 200 were accepted through the thorough peer-review process. There were 24 full paper submissions, which will require additional peer-review prior to publication in the Journal of Road Safety.

Authors of accepted extended abstracts and full papers represented international and local institutions from all aspects of their respective communities including research centres, private companies, government agencies, and community groups. These extended abstracts provide an indication of the important work being done in Australia, New Zealand, and internationally as part of the United Nations One UN Vision for Road Safety to reduce the number of fatal and serious injury crashes on the road by 50 percent by 2030.

An online post-event evaluation survey was circulated to all delegates and 79 delegates responded (11% of registrants). The hybrid delivery of the conference appears to have expanded the audience for the conference, as more than 85% of virtual respondents indicated they would not have attended ARSC2022 if there was no virtual option. Delegate feedback during and following the conference was favourable with over 50% of delegates stating that they will recommend the ARSC to a friend or colleague; and over 90% stated that they would attend an ARSC again. Responses to the survey indicated that ARSC2022 provided a valuable opportunity for participants to hear about the latest developments in road safety, and network with researchers, senior policy makers, and experienced practitioners.

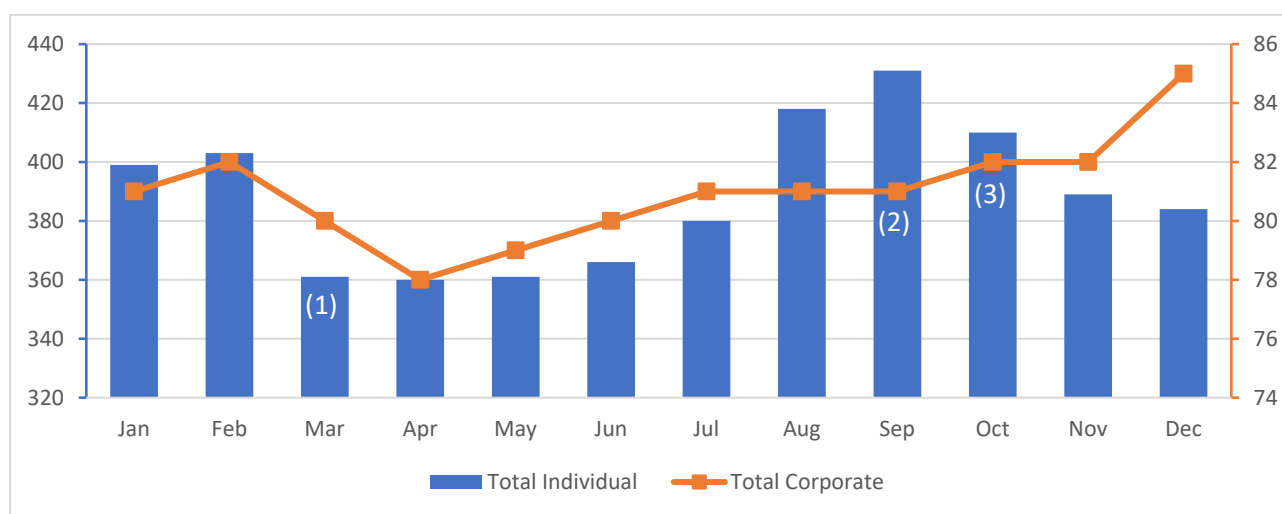
We trust that the work presented at ARSC2022 will contribute to the reduction in road trauma in Australia, New Zealand, and internationally.

Membership Report

In 2022 the ACRS continued to see an overall increase in membership despite the cessation of the International Outreach Project funding in December 2021, with the majority of these members choosing to stay with the ACRS and pay nominal LMIC rates. With many of our memberships expiring on 31 December annually, there is a natural decline in membership numbers early in the year (*see Graph 1 (1)*)

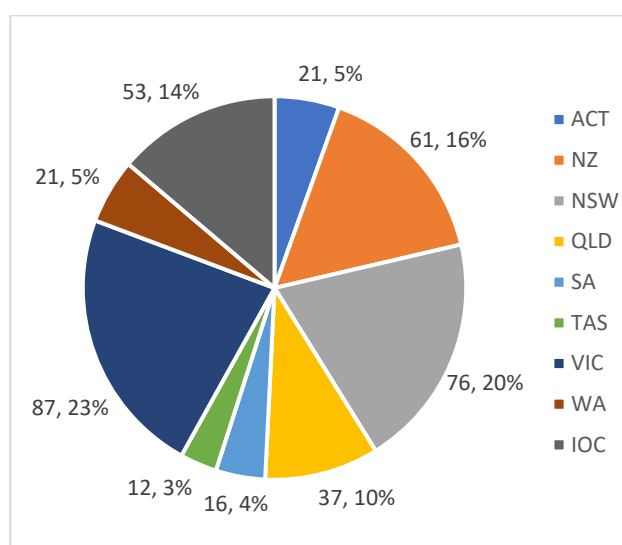
In the lead up to the Australasian Road Safety Conference 2022, many registrants became ACRS members to receive a discounted registration rate and some people were given conference scholarships which included a year of membership (*see Graph 1 (2)*). Because scholarships were also offered in 2021 around the same time, in October 2022 the ACRS experienced a decrease in memberships where some of the conference scholarship recipients chose not to renew their paid membership (*see Graph 1 (3)*).

Graph 1. Total Active Memberships per month (#) throughout 2022

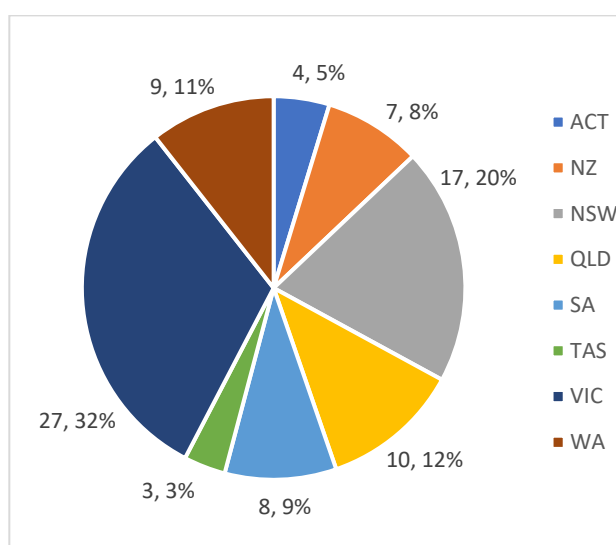


Graph 2. Memberships per Chapter (#, %) as at 31 Dec 22

Graph 2a. Individual Memberships



Graph 2b. Corporate Memberships



Chapter Reports

Australian Capital Territory & Region Chapter

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| Chair | Mr Eric Chalmers AM |
| Deputy Chair | Ms Joanne Wilson-Ridley |
| Secretary | Mr Keith Wheatley |
| Treasurer | Mr Steven Lake |

Chapter Update

Activity returned to the ACT Chapter in 2022 following the difficulties of the previous few years due to COVID-19. The strong core of our committee worked to manage ongoing projects and to take on new ones. We continued to work closely with the ACT Road Safety Unit and made connections with the Federal Office of Road Safety.

The active participation of six Road Safety Officers from local governments from the Snowy Mountains to the South Coast, Goulburn and Yass continued to identify an amazing range of road safety issues facing rural areas as well as those in urban ACT. Three of these members changed their work arrangements and left the Chapter. Special thanks go to Joanne Wilson Ridley (Queanbeyan/Palarang) who was a dedicated member from 2015 and Anthony Carroll (Snowy Valleys) who moved to Queensland.

The Chapter received two grants from the ACT Government for which it is grateful. It self-funded the initial forum on Safety When Transport and Work Merge in April 2022.

Professional Development Activities and Projects

Wildlife Collisions in ACT and surrounding areas

- The Sydney University School of Life and Environmental Sciences has been undertaking research on the extent of harm and estimates of the costs of wildlife road crashes in the ACT and surrounding areas. It is funded by an ACT Government Grant.
- Considerable progress has been made accessing public data, and making contact with health bodies, insurance companies, and a health economist. Difficulty has been experienced in obtaining full details on all incidents. The researcher is seeking approval to conduct a limited survey in 2023 to provide more in-depth information on impacts and costs of specific incidents.

Safety When Transport and Work Merge

- The Chapter funded a Forum in April 2022 to examine the risks for workers (primarily in light vehicles) driving at work and to and from their employment. It highlighted the significance of crashes in the workplace and travelling to and from work.
- Participants achieved an understanding of the number of large infrastructure projects being undertaken in the Region. They have attracted increased heavy vehicle traffic and movement of trades people to service the projects. Much of the labour operate on a drive-in drive-out basis creating increased travel risks.
- The forum successfully provided a broad range of data, an analysis of the issues, and practical approaches for managing this important, but often under explored, aspect of safety in the workplace.
- An ACT Road Safety Grant was received to conduct a follow up workshop with small businesses to assist them develop their own road safety risk management strategies for trades persons they employ. The workshop was held in April 2023.

Older Driver Project

- The Chapter assisted Council Of The Ageing ACT review "ACT Older Driver Handbook" which was released in November 2022, and will jointly promote the publication and older driver safety more generally.

New South Wales Chapter

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| Chair | Dr Prasannah Prabhakaran |
| Deputy Chair | Mr Michael Timms |
| Secretary | Dr Cassandra Gauld |
| Assistant Secretary | Dr Anna Chevalier |
| Committee Member (Immediate Past Chair) | Mr Duncan McRae |
| Committee Member | Mr David McTiernan |
| Committee Member (Fellow) | E/Prof Mike Regan FACRS |
| Committee Member | Mr Joshua Devitt (May 2022 onwards) |
| Committee Member | Ms Annie Peoples (Nov 2022 onwards) |
| Committee Member | Dr Liz de Rome (until May 2022) |

Chapter Update

- ACRS-NSW was a guest presenter at the Institute of Public Works Engineers NSW regional forums held late in 2022. Dr Prasannah Prabhakaran, NSW Chapter Chair presented at the Western Region forum in Dubbo whilst Mr Michael Timms, Deputy Chair, travelled to Cootamundra for the Southern Region forum. With “the realities of climate change” being the theme of the forums, the ACRS-NSW presentation was centred around the ACRS Policy Position on Road Safety and Climate Change.
- Long time member of the NSW Chapter, Dr Liz de Rome, was awarded the inaugural ACRS Women in Road Safety Award at the 2022 Australasian Road Safety Conference. Her contribution to road safety, tireless service to the ACRS, and knowledge and wisdom are an inspiration.
- NSW Chapter Secretary, Dr Cassandra Gauld, and her University of Newcastle colleagues, were awarded the Peter Vulcan Award for Best Research Paper at the conference for their paper entitled ‘Normative Influences on Illegal Smartphone Use Among Young Drivers’.
- Parliamentary Committees: The NSW chapter continues to advocate for road safety through submissions and appearances before various NSW parliamentary inquiries. ACRS-NSW evidence is in parliamentary inquiry reports.
- The following inquiries were the subject of an ACRS-NSW submission and witness appearance by Chapter Deputy Chair, Michael Timms:
 - Legislative Council Transport and Infrastructure Committee Inquiry into Compulsory Third Party Insurance and the Lifetime Care and Support Scheme
 - Legislative Assembly Committee on Transport and Infrastructure Inquiry into Emission Free Modes of Public Transport
 - Legislative Council Standing Committee on Law and Justice Inquiry into the Road Transport Amendment (Medicinal Cannabis – Exemptions from Offences)
- The following inquiry was the subject of an ACRS-NSW submission:
 - Joint Parliamentary Standing Committee on Road Safety (Staysafe) Inquiry regarding Speed Limits and Road Safety in Regional NSW.
- NSW road safety issues also prompted ACRS to issue media releases in regard to:
 - NSW Speed Camera Signage Reinstatement Ignores the Evidence
 - Random Breath Testing still crucial to achieve ‘Towards Zero’ 40 years on

Professional Development Activities and Projects

Seminar: Speed through the lens of Movement and Place – May 2022

Lena Huda (30Please; safe-streets-to-school.org; WalkSydney), Garth Collins (Transport for NSW), Dave Hunter (Eurobodalla Shire Council)

On 17 May 2022, the NSW Chapter held a seminar at Rydges Sydney Central on the topic of Speed through the lens of Movement and Place. The event was also hosted online. The seminar enhanced the understanding of Movement and Place, a key component of the National Road Safety Strategy 2021 to 2030, and how it can be successfully integrated into the delivery of lower speed environments. [Click here to watch the recording.](#)



NSW Chapter Committee members following the Movement and Place Seminar, May 2022. Pictured (L to R) David McTiernan, Prasannah Prabhakaran, Anna Chevalier, Michael Timms, Liz De Rome, Duncan McRae

Road Safety in Regional Areas

This is a key focus of the NSW Chapter in 2022 leading into 2023. NSW Chapter has focused on developing strategies to better engage with our membership and attract new members to the ACRS. In particular, we have a significant focus on further developing our relationships in regional and rural NSW.

In 2023, the chapter is planning a series of regional, in-person forums to engage with stakeholders such as Local Government Road Safety Officers, academics and researchers based at regional universities, and regional emergency services.

In a further effort to promote road safety in regional areas, ACRS-NSW provided comment to the Wagga Wagga Daily Advertiser newspaper following the release in December of the NSW Joint Parliamentary Standing Committee on Road Safety (Staysafe) and on the 292 lives lost on state's roads lost during 2022.

Member Engagement

The pandemic has led to a saturation of web-based webinars. Whilst these are certainly valuable for a broad range of audiences, the Chapter is exploring a novel approach to engaging with our members. This approach involves a Vodcast series (i.e., a video recorded podcast).

In late 2022, planning commenced on the delivery of the first Vodcast series, expected during 2023. The intent is for topics of interest to be discussed with a leading road safety professional which could also be the focus of a subsequent member networking event.

Queensland Chapter

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| Chair | A/Prof Mark King |
| Deputy Chair | Mr Simon Kirkpatrick |
| Secretary/Treasurer | Mr Chae Rose |
| Committee Member | Prof Narelle Haworth |
| Committee Member | Ms Susan Teerds |
| Committee Member | Mr Wes Collier |
| Committee Member | Prof Ioni Lewis |
| Committee Member & ACRS Fellow | Prof Barry Watson |
| Committee Member | Dr Verity Truelove |
| Committee Member | Dr Natalie Watson-Brown |
| Committee Member | Ms Sherrie-Anne Kaye |
| Committee Member | Prof Teresa Senserrick |
| Committee Member | Dr Oscar Oviedo-Trespalacios |

Chapter Update

- Over the course of 2022, the road crash situation in Queensland has consistently been worse than in previous years, and Chapter members have been asked to comment in the media about the reasons for the increase and the possible solutions. As a consequence, the Chapter has continued to be involved in discussions with the Queensland Department of Transport and Main Roads about the implementation of the Queensland Road Safety Strategy.
- Chapter members represented the ACRS at forums including the Queensland Walking Alliance, and made input into policy discussions at various points during the year.
- The Chapter said farewell to possibly its most longstanding member, John Fraser, who was part of the Chapter from its first days, in the role of Vice President. John had a very busy work life, transitioning from driver education into ergonomics consulting to multinational companies on the world stage. He became a member of the Ergonomics Society and worked closely with experts from academia and industry. His experience also included years of consulting to fleet vehicle operators in local government and industry.
- In late 2022 the Chapter Committee also farewelled Committee members Teresa Senserrick, who is continuing to be involved with the ACRS in her new road safety leadership role at the University of Western Australia, and Oscar Oviedo Trespalacios, who has taken up an academic position in the Netherlands.
- The Sunshine Coast Sub-Chapter continues to be active and engaged, running hybrid seminars as opportunities present.
- The Chapter began gearing up for the 2023 ARSC in Cairns, with a number of members volunteering for the Organising Committee, the Scientific Committee, and the Social Committee.

Professional Development Activities and Projects

Sunshine Coast Sub-Chapter: Road Safety Frontiers in the Suburbs: Learnings from Active Transport Infrastructure Planning to Schools in the Sunshine Coast

Prue Oswin, Active Transport Engineer

South Australia Chapter

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| Chair | Dr Jamie MacKenzie |
| Deputy Chair | Mr Matthew Vertudaches |
| Secretary | Mr Philip Blake |
| Treasurer | Dr Jeffrey Dutschke |
| Committee Member | Mr Amit Dua |
| Committee Member | Mr Robert Gray |
| Committee Member | Ms Belinda Maloney |
| Committee Member | Ms Kerry McConnell |
| Committee Member | Mr Andrew Rasch |
| Committee Member | Mr Martin Small |
| Committee Member | Mr Brett Williams |
| Committee Member | A/Prof Jeremy Woolley |

Chapter Update

The South Australia Chapter committee grew during 2022 with Kerry McConnell and Brett Williams joining.

South Australian State Election

The South Australia Chapter prepared a State Election Platform document in the lead up to the 19 March 2022 election which called for:

- committing to the vision of zero serious injuries by 2050, alongside the vision for zero fatalities
- committing to the important 2030 target of at least a 50% reduction in serious injuries
- publishing road infrastructure star ratings for all types of road users
- committing to all new and reconstructed roads in the state being 3 stars or better for all road users
- committing to leading the change agenda through strongly supporting local governments for their part of the challenge, and undertaking a regulatory impact statement for lowering speed limits
- underpinning all of the above with strong governance in law.

The final document, prepared with assistance from the ACRS Office, was promoted to candidates and other key people during the campaign period, particularly during CEO Ingrid Johnston's visit to Adelaide in February.

Professional Development Activities and Projects

Latest CASR Road Safety Research (23 June 2022)

Jeremy Woolley (FACRS) (Director), Dr Matthew Baldock, Simon Raftery, Dr Jamie Mackenzie, Martin Elsegood, Sam Doecke, Giulio Ponte (Centre for Automotive Safety Research, The University of Adelaide)

Around 40 interested people attended the SA Chapter's first event for 2022; an in-person seminar held at the SA Department for Infrastructure and Transport. After an introduction by Jeremy Woolley, speakers from CASR gave presentations on wide ranging areas of current road safety research. Dr Matthew Baldock presented on the latest profiling of serious and fatal crashes in South Australia. The road safety benefits of placemaking activities were outlined with some Australian and international examples by Simon Raftery. Dr Jamie Mackenzie explored head and neck responses to autonomous braking. Martin Elsegood provided a brief summary of the CASR Event Data Recorder database which led nicely into Sam Doecke's presentation on the contribution of various levels of speeding to road trauma. The very successful seminar concluded with Giulio Ponte presenting on research looking at the prevalence of in-vehicle driver distraction in moving traffic.

Presentation from SA Lifetime Support Authority (29 August 2022)

Rick Howe (CEO, Lifetime Support Authority), Amit Dua (Department for Infrastructure and Transport)

An interested in-person and on-line audience saw an engaging presentation from Rick Howe on how the Lifetime Support Authority delivers the Lifetime Support Scheme, which funds and plans person-centred treatment, care and support for people who sustain serious injuries in a motor vehicle accident regardless of fault. Rick outlined arrangements across the Australian jurisdictions and the South Australian arrangements and interaction with the separate compulsory third party insurance scheme. Some heart-wrenching statistics highlighted the life changing impacts of road trauma. The presentation was followed by an update from Amit Dua on 2022/23 Blackspot Funding.

Victoria Chapter

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| Chair | Ms Chris Harrison |
| Deputy Chair | Ms Kathryn Collier |
| Secretary/Treasurer | Ms Wendy Taylor |
| Comms/Social Media | Ms Elle Lazar |
| Committee Member | Ms Lisa Bagnati |
| Committee Member | Mr Kenn Beer |
| Committee Member | Mrs Sam Buckis |
| Committee Member | Prof Max Cameron |
| Committee Member | Ms Naomi Arndt-Cooper |
| Committee Member | Dr Ashim Debnath |
| Committee Member | Mr Ross Gregory |
| Committee Member | Mr Craig Hoey |
| Committee Member | Mr Chris Jurewicz |
| Committee Member | A/Prof Sjaan Koppel |
| Committee Member | Dr Jeff Potter |
| Committee Member | Ms Joanne Vanselow |

Chapter Update

- Sadly, long time ACRS member, Fellow and, VIC committee member, David Healy died on 24 November 2022. David had re-joined the committee in 2022 after some years of ill-health. David kept us on our toes with his knowledge of road safety ranging from the past to his ability to think and speak about future strategy, policy, and actions to improve road safety. David was a remarkable person, and we miss him.
- Looking back at the year that's been, none of this could happen without committed committee members making it happen, so I would like to take this opportunity to thank each committee member for their enthusiasm to bring the best to our members across Victoria. We are privileged to have such a diverse group with knowledge, connections, and skill who come together to look at what would be good to share with the broader membership base across Victoria.
- It has been wonderful to meet with other Chapter Chairs, hear what is happening across their areas, and see collaboration happening. Looking forward, we will continue to learn and see where we can complement and work collaboratively with other chapters to provide more opportunities to reach our membership and influence change on and around our roads.
- Victoria was well represented at the Conference in Christchurch, and, as always, it was an excellent opportunity to reflect, learn, and build on relationships. Thank you to the New Zealand Committee for its organisation of a diverse insight into what is happening across the Road Safety space – well done.

Professional Development Activities and Projects

- In May, as part of National Road Safety Week, the Victoria Chapter held a Motorcycle Safety Forum in which forty-eight people interested in motorcycle safety gathered to workshop issues and to discuss solutions and innovation, with the aim to help to improve motorcycle safety. All comments were collated into a report that was widely distributed and is [available here](#).
- In July we held an Understanding and Managing Driving and Fatigue hybrid event and were privileged to hear from A/Prof. Michael Fitzharris (MUARC), A/Prof Clare Anderson (Monash University) and Helen Redden (TAC). The post-event survey showed it was a good event and a style we can work on for future events.
- In October the Chapter held a hybrid event combining a recap of the 2022 ARSC in New Zealand, followed by a workshop, and for those attending in person an excellent dinner with time and ambience to socialise, connect, or network. Eight speakers who attended the conference personally and virtually were each given 5 minutes with 3 slides and 3 minutes for questions to provide a high-level summary from their perspective. Speakers covered a diversity of topics ranging from climate change, infrastructure, data,

technology, speed, local government perspective, child safety and cycling. The recap event served to whet the appetite for the 2023 ARSC.

- In December we sent a survey inviting ACRS members in Victoria to help the committee understand their needs. In February 2023 we will look at the survey feedback, alongside the ACRS and government strategic road safety directions to help set the scene for the committee in 2023.
- The committee also introduced guest speakers to our committee meetings. In 2022 we heard from Emily McLean, ARRB Portfolio Leader - Infrastructure Safety Management, Australian Road Research Board (ARRB/NTRO) about Netrisk2, an infrastructure risk assessment resource, and at our July meeting, we listened to Hugo Burt-Morris, General Manager of Lime Australia & New Zealand, for a Lime overview and Melbourne scooter trial update.



May 2022 Motorcycle Safety Forum participants

Western Australia Chapter

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| Chair | Ms Teresa Williams |
| Deputy Chair | Ms Terri-Anne Pettet |
| Secretary | Ms Christine Smith |
| Treasurer | Mr Edward Rose |
| Member Engagement Officer | Mr Adam Wilmot |
| Committee Member | Ms Fritha Argus |
| Committee Member | Ms Rachel Goodsell |
| Committee Member | Dr Brett Hughes |

Chapter Update

- WA's high number of fatalities and serious injuries reinforced the Committee's resolve to develop and action more advocacy opportunities, including holding workshops for input into ACRS submissions to various inquiries and consultations.
- WA held an AGM in April 2022 to progress appointments to the Chapter Committee and provide a Committee Report to WA members. Changes to office bearers were confirmed. The time and efforts of all Committee members, continuing and new, makes a great difference to the Committee.
- Planning for 2023 has commenced with a schedule of events, Book Club topics, and alignment with known projects or policy development opportunities, being developed.

Professional Development Activities and Projects

Book Club Topics

Mark Ellis, Director Road Safety Policy, National Office of Road Safety: National Road Safety Strategy 2021-2030, with many 'what and how' issues discussed.

Authors R. F. Soames, Job, Jessica Truong, and Chika Sakashita: Article "The Ultimate Safe System: Redefining the Safe System Approach for Road Safety"; thought provoking and allowed discussion around application.

Various authors: Several articles and media reports were considered for this contentious issue.

TranSafe WA Conference – February 2022

The Chair of the WA Chapter provided a personal reflection of lives lost and lives changed because of road trauma. Such opportunities enhanced our ability to work with our corporate members. Their support, commitment and focus on reducing road trauma is of paramount importance.

Injury Matters Workshop – March 2022

The WA Chapter partnered with Injury Matters (IM) for a workshop seeking input into how post-trauma support services in WA could be strengthened, improved, and developed. Feedback was also workshopped for the ACRS's submission regarding the [Australian Design Rules for Lane Keep Assist technology](#).

National Road Safety Week – May 2022

The Chapter worked with the National Road Safety Partnership Programme, and the Western Australian Centre for Road Safety Research to provide a seminar about Construction Logistics and Community Safety – Australia (CLOCS-A). [Click here to watch the recording](#).

Australasian Road Safety Conference – September 2022

A remote 'Hub' was organised for one day of the Conference for WA delegates. The Hub attendees enjoyed the real time and recorded sessions, great discussion, and networking.

Strategic Engagement – October 2022

Members received presentations from the CEO outlining the research about Career Pathways for Women in Road Safety, and Main Roads WA on the findings of an evaluation of the State Funded Black Spot Programme. Meetings were also organised with the Minister for Road Safety and the Chair of the Road Safety Council.

Fellowship and Community Engagement – December 2022

To foster fellowship amongst members and engage with the public in road safety issues, a quiz night by the 'Quiz Meisters' was held, which supported our road safety messaging by having the 'bonus round' all about road safety.

New Zealand Chapter

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| Co-Chair | Dr Rebecca McLean |
| Co-Chair | Mr Paul Durdin |
| Treasurer/Secretary | Ms Robyn Gardener |
| Committee Member | Dr Paul Graham |
| Committee Member | Dr Hamish Mackie |
| Committee Member | Ms Melanie Muirson |
| Committee Member | Mr Sam Pasley |

Chapter Update

- 2022 was a big year for the NZ Chapter with the key focus being delivery of the 2022 Australasian Road Safety Conference in Ōtautahi, Christchurch. Preparations for the conference consumed a lot of time and energy from the NZ Chapter Committee and its members. However, the conference was a terrific success and in partnering with TrafiNZ (NZ Local Authority Traffic Institute) the conference saw record delegate registrations (more than 700).
- During the year the committee expanded from 4 to 7 members, as we welcomed Hamish Mackie, Melanie Muirson, and Sam Pasley to the committee. We are delighted with the contributions each of the new committee members are bringing to the Chapter.
- The NZ Chapter introduced an initiative to grow member numbers by funding three early career membership scholarships to the ACRS (for a period of 24 months). These were advertised in November and three recipients were confirmed in January 2023.
- As of 28 February 2023, the NZ Chapter had 143 members (60 individual members and 83 individuals from corporate members). This is a significant uplift from 2021.
- Looking ahead to 2023, the NZ Chapter intends to build off the success of the 2022 ARSC Conference, our growing membership and committee numbers. We intend to lift the profile of the ACRS and strengthen our road safety advocacy role in New Zealand.

Professional Development Activities and Projects

Speed Management Guide – Road to Zero Edition webinar – May 2022

Anna Bray-Sharpin (Waka Kotahi), Caroline Dumas (Waka Kotahi), Paul Durdin (Abley)

This webinar discussed The Speed Management Guide – Road to Zero Edition, which empowers and supports regional transport committees and road controlling authorities to plan for and implement safe speeds. [Click here to watch the recording.](#)

A Public Health Approach to Road Safety webinar – August 2022

Alistair Woodward (University of Auckland)

This webinar discussed the many opportunities available to multiply gains by adopting elements of a public health approach to road safety. [Click here to watch the recording.](#)

ARSC Review, Highlights and Actions webinar – November 2022

Melanie Muirson (Stantec), Mike Smith (Stantec), Hamish Mackie (Mackie Research & Consulting), Shane Turner (Abley)

The NZ Chapter held a post-conference recap webinar where a panel of members discussed key observations from the conference and highlighted those actions needed to deliver improved road safety outcomes for all road users. [Click here to watch the recording.](#)

Safe System Audit webinar – December 2022

Kenn Beer (Safe System Solutions), Jessica Rattray (Waka Kotahi), James Hughes (Waka Kotahi)

This webinar discussed the [Safe System Audit guidelines](#) released by Waka Kotahi in October 2022. The panellists presented on the changes in the new guidelines, training, and its implementation in New Zealand. [Click here to watch the recording.](#)

Tasmania Chapter

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| Chair | Ms Jenny Branch-Allen |
| Deputy Chair | Mr Gary McDonald |
| Secretary | Mr Terry McCarthy |

Chapter Update

- The newly formed Tasmania Chapter has been busy establishing itself. We have been seeking new members and encourage anyone interested to contact either the ACRS office or Chair of the Tasmania Chapter (at jenny.branchallen@gmail.com).
- We have been establishing the policies and procedures we need. The Chair has been meeting key stakeholders in the state to discuss talking issues we can collaborate on, seeking to highlight some of the major problems of Tasmanian road safety. “Safer speeds” is an issue of keen interest to us and one we wish to explore with our partners.
- We are keen to become active partners in making Tasmanian roads safer and look forward to making considered contributions. We were represented at Road Safety week, attending the Road Safety breakfast. Our members have been actively taking part in forums and events. Members attended the Road Safety Community forums conducted by the Road Safety Advisory Council, and we also had members write a submission regarding the review of the Tasmanian motorcycle graduated licensing scheme. We had meetings with key stakeholders around the state and discussed Tasmania’s Towards Zero Action plan and progress towards its goals.
- We are an embryo Chapter growing slowly but look forward to increasing our membership in the coming year.

International Outreach Chapter

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| Co-Chair | Prof Teresa Senserrick |
| Co-Chair | A/Prof Masria Mustafa |
| Co-Chair | Mr Ali Zayerdadeh |
| Secretary | Mr Youb Raj Bhatta |
| Committee Member | Mr Galeboe Motlhajoe |
| Committee Member | Dr Rusdi Rusli |
| Committee Member | Mr Sovann Kong |

Professional Development Activities and Projects

Youth and Road Safety Advocacy: Building the Next Generation of Road Safety Professionals – June 2022

Mr Galeboe Motlhajoe (SORSA), Mr Kong Sovann (CAMSAFE)

This seminar focused on capacity building for the next generation of road safety professionals – youth – during the Second Decade of Action and Global Plan. The webinar focused on sharing best practices, as well ideas and solutions for action to accelerate achievements. Galeboe Motlhajoe described the advocacy for safe mobility systems from a local (Botswana) and global perspective. Young people deserve a spot at the decision-making table so that they can contribute to the achievement of targets and goals that have relevance to their lives. We want to raise awareness about road safety and safe mobility issues in the most important national and international spaces and continue to break the silos by working through multi-sectoral approaches. [Click here to watch the recording.](#)

Malaysian Motorcycle Assessment Program (MyMAP) – August 2022

Ts Zarir Hafiz Zulkipli (Malaysian Institute of Road Safety Reserach), Dr Masria Mustafa (IOC Co-Chair)

In order to improve motorcycle safety in Malaysia, Malaysian Institute of Road Safety Research (MIROS) in collaboration with the Malaysia Automotive, Robotics and IoT Institute (MARii) have set forth to formulate a suitable rating system for motorcycles, resulting in the launch of the Malaysia Motorcycle Assessment Program (MyMAP). The program aims to provide motorcycle ratings for motorcyclists to choose the right motorcycle with safer technology and protection for their ride. [Click here to watch the recording.](#)

Journal of Road Safety

Table 8. Editorial Board

Editor-in-Chief

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Managing Editor

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| Dr Chika Sakashita | Global Road Safety Solutions | NSW, Australia |
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Editorial Board

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| Prof Judith Charlton | Monash University Accident Research Centre | VIC, Australia |
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| Prof Rebecca Ivers | Public Health & Community Medicine, UNSW | NSW, Australia |
| Prof Soames Job (FACRS) | Global Road Safety Solutions | NSW, Australia |
| A/Prof Michael Keall | Department of Public Health, University of Otago Medical School | New Zealand |
| Dr Nadine Levick | Objective Safety LLC | Israel |
| Prof Lynn Meuleners | School of Population and Global Health, University of Western Australia | WA, Australia |
| Prof Andrew McIntosh | McIntosh Consultancy & Research; ACRSIP FedUni; Monash University Accident Research Centre | VIC, Australia |
| Dr Rebecca McLean | Dunedin School of Medicine, University of Otago | New Zealand |
| Prof Jake Olivier | School of Mathematics and Statistics, UNSW | NSW, Australia |
| A/Prof George Rechner | Transport and Road Safety (TARS) Research Centre, UNSW | NSW, Australia |
| Prof Michael Regan (FACRS) | Research Centre for Integrated Transport Innovation (rCITI), School of Civil and Environmental Engineering, UNSW | NSW, Australia |
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| Prof Gordon Smith | School of Public Health, West Virginia University; University of Maryland School of Medicine | West Virginia, USA |
| A/Prof Richard Tay | RMIT University | VIC, Australia |
| Dr Blair Turner | Global Road Safety Facility, World Bank | Washington DC, USA |
| Dr Shane Turner | Abley; Department of Civil and Natural Resources Engineering, University of Canterbury | New Zealand |
| Prof Barry Watson (FACRS) | CARRS-Q, Queensland University of Technology | QLD, Australia |
| Prof Fred Wegman | Delft University of Technology | The Netherlands |
| Prof Ann Williamson (FACRS) | Transport and Road Safety (TARS) Research Centre, UNSW | NSW, Australia |

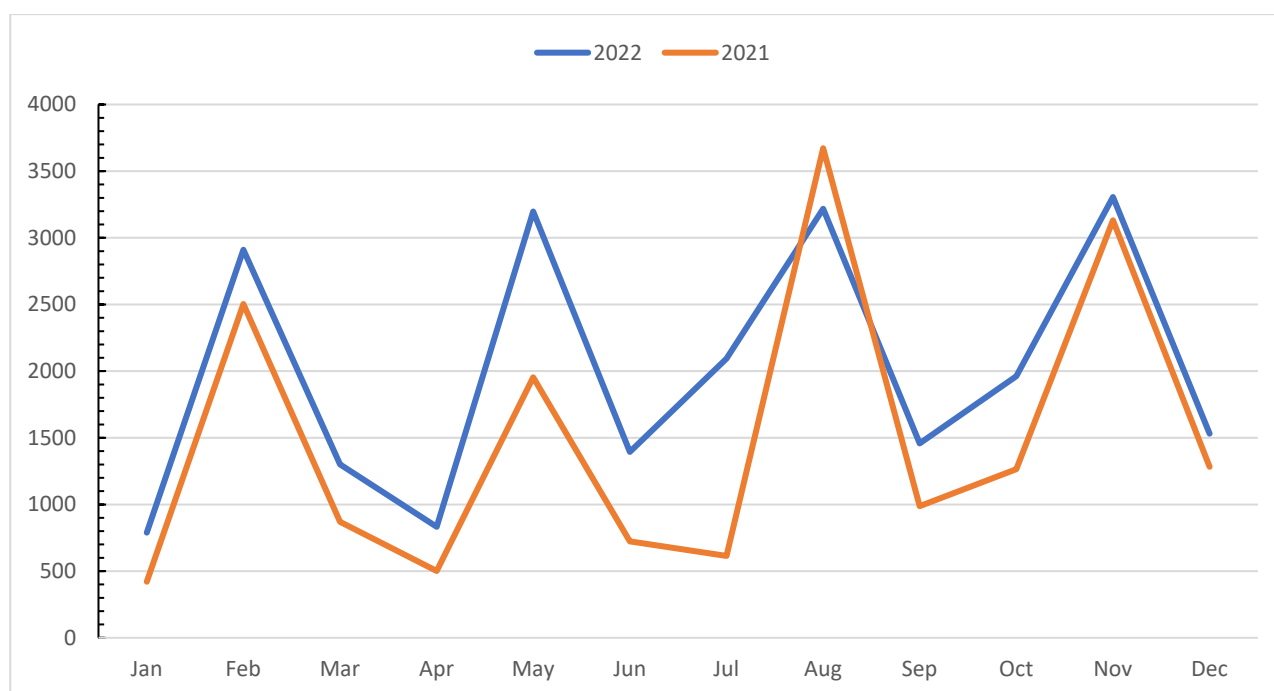
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JRS Website

The ACRS launched [journalofroadsafety.](https://journalofroadsafety.acrs.org/) in February 2022 using Scholastica's Production Module, allowing the JRS to live on a standalone website rather than a section of the ACRS website.

The new JRS website has made it easy for readers to find and access articles without relying on the quarterly mailout to show them the latest edition – this has resulted in an increase in readership in months when a new edition isn't produced (as seen in Graph 3 in months such as June or October). The JRS has also maintained a slow but steady increase in readership size during publishing months (February, May, August, November) throughout 2022, which indicates a loyal readership base.

Graph 3. JRS Article Views per Month: Jan 2021 – Dec 2022



Progress towards Impact Factor

The Journal of Road Safety has recently been indexed in Scopus which is a significant milestone. The JRS is currently also indexed in:

- [DOAJ](#)
- [SafetyLit](#)
- [Informit](#)
- [TRID](#)
- [BASE](#)
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- [Exaly](#)

The JRS continues to improve its processes in order to gain an Impact Factor, which in turn will improve the visibility of the Journal.

Awards and Prizes

ACRS Fellowship

The prestigious ACRS Fellowship is recognised as the Australasian road safety community's highest honour, recognising an individual for their outstanding commitment and effectiveness in their efforts to reduce road trauma. ACRS first instituted the award of ACRS Fellow in 1991.

Fellows must be acknowledged by colleagues and co-workers as outstanding by virtue of contributions to road safety rather than their position. The contributions must be of such a nature that they have led to substantial growth and improvement in an important institution or organisation, body of knowledge or aspect of thought and practice associated with road safety. The award recipient is presented with a plaque and citation, as the ACRS's highest honour.



Hon. Michael Wood, Dr Judy Fleiter, Prof Ann Williamson

The 2022 ACRS Fellowship Award was presented to Dr Judy Fleiter in recognition of her significant contribution to road safety at the national and international level.

As a researcher, Dr Fleiter has investigated the key behavioural factors contributing to road crashes in Australia and other countries such as China, which has informed the ongoing development of more effective road safety interventions and programs. She has also made a major contribution to global road safety by leading the work undertaken by the Global Road Safety Partnership (GRSP) on behalf the Bloomberg Initiative for Global Road Safety (BIGRS). Her work has included capacity building of leading road safety organisations and agencies in Brazil, China, Colombia, Ethiopia, Ghana, Indonesia, India, Mexico, Philippines, Tanzania, Thailand, and Vietnam.

Table 10. ACRS Fellowship Previous Winners

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| 2022 | Dr Judy Fleiter | 2007 | Prof Raphael Grzebieta |
| 2021 | Mr Peter Frazer | 2006 | Mr Lauchlan McIntosh AM |
| 2020 | Ms Antonietta Cavallo | 2005 | - |
| 2019 | Professor Michael Regan | 2004 | Dr Soames Job |
| 2018 | Dr John Crozier & A/Prof Jeremy Woolley | 2003 | - |
| 2017 | Ms Samantha Cockfield | 2002 | Mr Ray Taylor |
| 2016 | Prof Ann Williamson | 2001 | Mr Colin Grigg |
| 2015 | Mr Rob McInerney | 2000 | Prof Mary Sheehan |
| 2014 | Mr Iain Cameron | 1999 | Mr Ken Smith |
| | | 1998 | Dr Jim McGrath |

2013 Prof Narelle Haworth
 2012 Ms Lori Mooren
 2011 Mr David Healy
 2010 -
 2009 Prof Barry Watson
 2008 Prof Mark Stevenson

1997 Dr Gordon Trinca
 1996 Mr Peter Makeham
 1995 Dr Michael Henderson
 1994 Mr Frank Green
 1993 Dr Brian Connor
 1992 Mr Harry Camkin

ACRS Young Leader's Oration Award

The ACRS Young Leader's Oration Award has been offered since the 2019 Australasian Road Safety Conference. Nominations are sought from road safety professionals throughout Australia, New Zealand, and the Pacific. Nominees must be 40 years or younger, demonstrate active involvement in road safety, show the potential for future leadership and be performing inspiring work. Winners receive a prestigious ACRS plaque in recognition of their work, plus the opportunity to make a presentation of their choosing to hundreds of professionals in the road safety field. The Young Leader's Oration Award is not required to be awarded annually and was not awarded in 2021.

The Australasian College of Road Safety Young Leader Oration Award recognises inspiring work and potential for future leadership in the field of road safety. The 2022 ACRS Young Leader Oration Award, sponsored by Transurban, was presented to Dr Jamie Mackenzie in recognition of his leadership and contributions to road safety research in bicycle safety, safety testing of semi-autonomous vehicles, and school zone safety.



Ms Liz Waller, Hon. Michael Wood, Dr Jamie Mackenzie, Prof Ann Williamson, Dr Ingrid Johnston

Dr Mackenzie's research at the University of Adelaide's Centre for Automotive Safety Research (CASR) research has focused on how inexpensive technology can improve both road safety and road safety research. He has led the development of several products, including: bicycle passing distance measurement devices; a series of autonomous robots used to test and evaluate the advanced driver assist systems used in autonomous vehicles; and several inexpensive traffic and bicycle identification devices.

Table 11. Young Leader's Oration Award Previous Winners

2022 Dr Jamie Mackenzie
 2021 -
 2020 Dr Tana Tan
 2019 Dr Oscar Oviedo-Trespalacios

3M-ACRS Diamond Road Safety Award

The 2022 3M-ACRS Diamond Road Safety Award has been awarded to Trisign Remote Access Multi Message signage developed by Safetek Solutions with team leader Adam Gardiner.

Currently it is estimated that around 100 traffic controllers are injured every year in Australia, and tragically at least one is killed. This new safety product could help reduce this number by decreasing manual adjustments to signage.



Hon. Michael Wood, Adam Gardiner (Safetek Solutions), Michael Holderness (3M)

The 3M-ACRS Diamond Road Safety Awards were presented at the ACRS Award Ceremony held on Thursday 29 September at the 2022 Australasian Road Safety Conference (ARSC 2022) in Ōtautahi Christchurch, New Zealand.

The Hon Michael Wood, New Zealand Minister of Transport addressed the audience during the evening expressing his admiration for the work that was being done by the attendees to eliminate road trauma.

“We need to stop accepting road trauma. We call it a road toll, but a toll is putting \$5 in a collection bin. A lost life is much more than a number and comes at a great cost. We can’t accept that people are killed and maimed on our roads,” Minister Wood said.

The awards were presented by Minister Wood along with Professor Ann Williamson, President of the Australasian College of Road Safety and Mr Michael Holderness, Technical Services Manager for 3M New Zealand.

“3M has been proud to continue the support of the 3M-ACRS Diamond Road Safety Award for the past 12 years and we wish to congratulate everyone who has participated in this year’s awards.” Mr Holderness said.

TriSign is a changeable message sign that allows for quick changes of signage for traffic management, designed specifically for temporary traffic management. It has been designed to eliminate the safety risk that traffic management crews face when placing, removing, uncovering or hiding multi message frames on long term project work sites.

TriSign runs off solar and on-board battery so doesn’t need a hard-wired power supply. The activation is via an android app and allows a user to log into the app securely and select the specific sign faces required for the work being done that shift.

Finalists for the 3M-ACRS Diamond Road Safety Award came from many areas including state and local governments, private companies, and not-for-profit organisations. Judges of the award evaluated all the entries in terms of problem solving, innovation in technology and thinking, and the benefits in reducing trauma. Cost-effectiveness and transferability to other areas were other key criteria.

As the winning entry, a member of the project team has the opportunity to travel to the USA to visit 3M Global Headquarters in Minnesota. The ACRS and members of the road safety community across Australasia congratulate the TriSign team on this innovative new safety product and their 2022 3M-ACRS Diamond Road Safety Award win.



Adam Gardiner (Safetek Solutions)



Hon. Michael Wood, Adam Wilmot (GHD), Michael Holderness (3M)



Adam Wilmot (GHD)

Highly Commended Projects for 2022:

NetRisk2 – delivering safer road infrastructure – project delivered by ARRB – Team Leader: Emily McLean, Portfolio Leader, Infrastructure Safety Management.

The NetRisk2 technology has been developed to examine if a proposed treatment for road safety will have a positive effect before work begins. NetRisk2 Integrates both AusRap and ANRAM into the one web platform so that road managers no longer have to choose between the two assessment models. It allows for easy investigation of the impact of alternative treatments and compare the performance.

The Low Cost Urban Road Safety Program – project delivered by Main Roads Western Australia – Team Leader: Ian Thompson, Principal Advisor of the Urban Road Safety Program.

The Low Cost Urban Road Safety Program was co-designed by Main Roads Western Australia and GHD, to deliver treatments to local roads, on an area-wide or whole-of-street basis, to reduce crash risks for drivers and vulnerable road users, such as pedestrians and cyclists. Over a four-year period, this program will help support local governments to deliver cost effective and innovative solutions within the existing road kerb lines, with the intention that the safety benefits of the initial program will promote and guide the extension of future programs.

Table 12. 3M-ACRS Diamond Award Previous Winners

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| 2022 | Trisign Remote Access Multi Message signage Safetek Solutions |
| 2021 | Road Safety in Your Workplace Transport for NSW |
| 2020 | Low Cost Implanted Compact Roundabout Mildura Rural City Council |
| 2019 | Hold the Red: Radar-based intersection collision avoidance system Queensland Department of Transport and Main Roads |
| 2018 | NT Indigenous Child Safety program Northern Territory Motor Accidents (Compensation) Commission |
| 2017 | ACT Child Safety Program Kidsafe ACT |
| 2016 | DriveSafe NT Remote Northern Territory Government |

- 2015 **Bruce Highway Centre-Line Widening Treatment**
Queensland Government
- 2014 **Cycle Safe Communities**
The Amy Gillett Foundation
- 2013 **Hay Point Expansion Stage 3 (HPX3) Project**
BHP Billiton Mitsubishi Alliance Team
- 2012 **Transport of Children and Youth with Additional Needs (TOCAN)**
The Royal Children's Hospital, VicRoads, the Royal Automobile Club of Victoria, Britax Childcare, the Australian Child Restraint Resource Initiative, the Victorian Paediatric Rehabilitation Service Group at Latrobe University, Autism Victoria, and the Association for Children with a Disability (ACD)
- 2011 **Project RAPSTAR: Reduce Accidents, Prevent Tragedy, Activate Resources**
Queensland Police Service

Women in Road Safety Award

Established in 2022, the 'Women in Road Safety Award' is a new award to recognise the valuable role that women play in reducing road trauma. While nominees for this award may present as a leader, quiet achiever, role model, or mentor, the most important quality is demonstration of outstanding commitment and effectiveness in their efforts to reduce road trauma.

The inaugural award was won in 2022 by Dr Liz de Rome who has spent most of her career influencing researchers, policy makers, and practitioners around Australia to deliver safer outcomes for all road users. Dr de Rome has focussed many of her efforts on advancing safety for motorcycle riders including the development of the very first Motorcycle Safety Strategy in New South Wales through to her research into the quality of protective clothing to reduce injuries for motorcycle riders, culminating in the international award-winning Australasian MotoCAP initiative. Dr de Rome continues her research for MotoCAP as Honorary Associate Professor at Deakin University.



Hon. Michael Wood, Dr Liz de Rome, Prof Ann Williamson, Dr Ingrid Johnston

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| 2022 | Dr Liz de Rome |
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