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Women lead the way in Darwin

Member profile



Amanda Charalambous (pictured) is in her fourth year as InfraBuild Steel Centre's Northern Territory state manager, the first woman in the role. Since joining InfraBuild in 2018 Amanda has become an integral part of its operations in the Northern Territory. InfraBuild Steel Centre has provided steel to some of Darwin's largest and most iconic projects including Parliament House, Darwin Convention Centre, Casuarina Shopping Centre, and Darwin Airport. The centre celebrated its 70th anniversary last year with a tribute to customers, employees and the community. NT Government Treasurer Eva Lawler was a guest at the 1950's themed celebration which included a look back at the history of the facility. Amanda is not the only woman making waves in Darwin. Rosemary Vowles is in her second year as manager of InfraBuild Reinforcing in Darwin, having worked for the company for 24 years. Rosemary started in a customer services role before working her way to the top job.

Innovative company promotes Indigenous job opportunities



Member profile

SA steel fabricator Clinton 'Booka' Wilson has partnered with labour hire expert Ilaria Vantagiato to form an innovative company promoting Indigenous and diverse employment across the engineering and fabrication industry. Wiltya Vari is a joint venture between 100% Indigenous-owned engineering and fabrication company WilsonCo and recruitment agency Diverso Resources. Wiltya Vari is the Adnyamathanha word for the Milky Way, the literal translation being dark river. A proud Kuyani/Adnyamathanha man, Booka is dedicated to enabling social cohesion and developing self-agency of first nations through meaningful economic participation of Indigenous businesses. Ilaria is a proud member of the LGBTQIA+ community and dedicated to promoting inclusivity in the workplace. The company is well-versed in the intricacies of custom metal components and is currently in the process to become accredited to CC2 for structural steel fabrication. It also offers tailored nationally accredited training programs in collaboration with Adelaide Safety Training. Ilaria has made significant contributions to projects all across Australia, including Olympic Dam, Prominent Hill, Carrapateena, Jacinth Ambrosia, Tanami, Moomba, Surat Basin, and Bowen Basin. Booka has participated in Australian volunteer programs in South Africa and Vanuatu; served in the Army Reserves and the Country Fire Service. Details: <https://wiltyavari.com.au>.

ASI explores diversity and inclusiveness in steel industry

The ASI Diversity and Inclusiveness Group is planning a diversity and inclusiveness survey of ASI members to help quantify a steel industry 'baseline' and identify areas of greatest need. Results will be used to develop and share best practice in creating and promoting diverse and inclusive workplaces for the steel industry. A key initiative of the group is to provide a range of proven resources and initiatives that ASI members will be able to access from the new committee web page in order to better support individual businesses in developing a more diverse workforce. Details: davidv@steel.org.au.

AMOG Consulting sponsors uni prize

Member profile



New ASI professional member AMOG Consulting is helping sponsor a Curtin University prize in conjunction with ASI. The prize will go to an outstanding final year student in the university's faculty of science and engineering. AMOG Consulting specialises in infrastructure support (both on and offshore); mining; transport (rail and tunnel); system/process safety engineering; defence; renewable energy; and engineering software. It has offices in WA and Victoria as well as the UK and US. AMOG Consulting senior engineer Richard Shedlock (pictured) has provided services to ASI as a speaker at ASI events. He is a champion of compliance and good steel design. The student awards event will be held at the university campus on Friday 19th April 2024 between 4:30pm - 6:30pm.

Mills meet Steel Sustainability Australia best practice standards

Member profile

Congratulations to Australia's steel manufacturing mills BlueScope, InfraBuild and Liberty Primary Steel who were recently re-verified under Credit 4.1 of the ASI's Steel Sustainability Australia (SSA) scheme for 2024. Each steel manufacturing mill was audited against the Steel Sustainability Australia requirements. Credit 4.1 provides assurance to downstream steel fabricators, distributors, roll formers and reinforcing processors that the semi-finished steel feedstock meets best practice environmental, social and governance indicators for responsible steel manufacturing. The steel manufacturing mills 2024 SSA Verified Supplier Certificates are now available on the SSA website at [Steel Sustainability Australia - SSA Verified Steel Manufacturing Suppliers](#).



Fabbies urged to back trade Olympics by nominating apprentices

The ASI is urging ASI fabricator members to consider nominating and supporting an apprentice to compete in the trade 'Olympics' - the 2024 WorldSkills Australia regional competitions. WorldSkills Australia offers trade apprentices the opportunity to compete against their peers in a range of trade category competitions. ASI sponsors the welding and construction metal work sections of the competition in conjunction with Weld Australia and the Outsource Institute. Employers considering nominating an apprentice need to be willing to support their employee with mentoring, and time off work to train and compete. In return, they will gain a young person who is going above and beyond to be the very best in their profession and add further value to their business. The regional competitions run until November 2024. Further information for employers and apprentices and how they can contact their nearest regional WorldSkills Australia coordinator is available at <https://www.worldskills.org.au/what-we-do/worldskills-australia-competitions/regional/>. Information on the various regions is available at <https://www.worldskills.org.au/regions/>.

ASI welcomes new members

The ASI welcomes the following new company members.

RAS Creative Engineering Pty Ltd	Professional	WA
Pro Fab & Installations Pty Ltd	Fabricator	QLD/NT
S.J.C Engineering	Fabricator	QLD/NT
The LSW Group	Fabricator	NSW/ACT
Truline Engineering (Aust) Pty Ltd	Fabricator	VIC
Kraftech Australia	Associate	NSW/ACT
Wilyta Vari	Fabricator	SA
AMOG Consulting	Professional	WA
ATB Consulting Engineers	Professional	NSW/ACT
Outdoor Fabrications Pty Ltd	Fabricator	NSW/ACT
Systems (Worldwide) Pty Ltd	Professional	NSW/ACT
Horizon Poles	Fabricator	TAS
Bremick Pty Ltd	Associate	NSW/ACT