



Coatings Technical Group Chairpersons Message

2024 a year in review

Founded in 1996, by the Australasian Corrosion Association (ACA), the Coatings Technical Group (CTG) mission is:

To share ideas, project studies, technologies and market trends amongst asset owners, designers, manufacturers, suppliers and equipment providers to the protective coating industry that serve the protection or restoration of corrosion affected structures throughout Australasia including New Zealand.

I write this message thankful for the support of volunteers who contribute to our committee through reviewing award nominations, reviewing Standards, developing technical content and events.

Current projects

The past year has been active for the CTG where members have been actively working on latest innovations, product developments, industry issues and specifically:

- Development of AS/NZS 2312.3 being the *Guide to the protection of structural steel against atmospheric corrosion by the use of protective coatings - Part 3: Thermal spray coatings*. A draft of this document has completed its Public Review stage and is now likely to be published in early 2025.
- A review is in progress of AS 3894.1 being the method for *Site testing of protective coatings. Non-conductive coatings - Continuity testing - High voltage (brush) method*. This was last reconfirmed 2013. AMPP revised their equivalent Standard in 2024, SP0188 *Standard Practice for Discontinuity (Holiday) Testing of New Protective Coatings on Conductive Substrates*. Comments from industry suggested AS 3894.1 also needed a revision.
- A project has been established to review 143 aged Australian Standards that align under Standards Australia committee CH-003. These include the AS 1580 series, 3730 series, 3750 series, 3894 series, 4049 series, 4361 series, 4548 series and a few others.





Conference 2024

The group also contributed to a strong representation of coatings related technical presentations and conducted an industry forum at the Corrosion and Prevention conference in Cairns recently.

We were proud to have one of our members, Oscar Duyvestyn as Convenor of the conference.

2025 Coatings Roadshow

In 2025 we look forward to progressing the current work and rolling out a coating and applicator's roadshow for Australia and New Zealand as follows:

- Sydney Tuesday 6th May 2025
- Perth Tuesday 13th May 2025
- Auckland, NZ Monday 21st July 2025
- Christchurch, NZ Thursday 24th July 2025

There is a call for sponsors and presenters on the ACA website for those who are interested.

Award Nominations are open

The CTG also welcomes nominations for the Victor Nightingall Award that is given in recognition of distinguished achievement in the development, manufacture or application of protective coatings, or advancement of the protective coatings industry. The Award was established in 1998 by the ACA's Protective Coatings Technical Group in honour of the Australian, Victor Nightingall, who invented the world's first inorganic zinc silicate coating.

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CTG Committee

I ask you to support our committee members by thanking them for their contribution through the CTG:

Contact	Company	Type	Location
Austin Bennett	Universal Corrosion Coatings	Coatings - Supplier	Melbourne
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Justin Rigby	Remedy Asset Protection	Inspection (Coatings)	Melbourne
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Nomination forms to join our committee are available at [Join a Technical Group - The Australasian Corrosion Association Inc.](#)



Looking forward to further advancing the Coatings Industry in 2025.

Justin Rigby

Chairperson - CTG

