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President's Report - 2022

Thank you to everyone for a great year.

Special mention and particular thanks to the following individuals for their contributions in 2021.

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Student Chapters:	
Monash Uni	Varsahe Manivasakan, Lauren Guiney, Cathy Chen, Dararith Vann
Sydney Uni	Eric Ye, Sarah Zhang, Tim Xian
Canterbury Uni	Roy Chowdhury, Mansour Johariforoushani

Webinars and Events

We had a great year of virtual webinars. We were able to run at least one webinar each month, and supporting the wider ITE in several international webinar topics with local speakers.

Our online webinars continue to remain very popular, with each webinar attracting at least 100 attendees, which has opened up our subscribers and outreach for 2021.

The Breakfast Meeting and President's Dinner were able to be held in-person, and were both a success. As a result of Covid-19, the attendance was limited due to restrictions. While the in-person numbers were lower than previous years, we were able to attract new attendees and continue to provide a successful event experience for our members.

Student Chapters and Involvement

The disruptions of Covid-19 left many of the university chapters and events to be held online, or to be delayed. Most of the country was in and out of lockdown during 2021, which made it difficult to host in-person career discussions at university and in-person YITE events.

However, despite the lockdown conditions, the TEM Mentoring Program continued and ITE-ANZ was able to reach out to interstate mentors to mentor undergraduate students.

Young ITE

In addition to the great webinars and outreach from the YITE team, in 2021 they initiated the Chapel Street Design Competition with Stonnington City Council. This was a successful idea and created significant interest from undergraduate university students across Australia and New Zealand.

A total of six high quality submissions were judged, along with a Panellist from Stonnington City Council. The ideas generated from the submissions were excellent. The success of this design competition and partnership with Stonnington City Council was showcased in the ITE Journal, and YITE hopes that in 2022 a similar partnership and design competition will take place.

Award Recipients for 2021

- Contribution to the Transport Profession: Professor Geoff Rose
- Emerging Transport Professional: Ben Thomson
- Sustainable Transport: Maribyrnong City Council Safer Local Roads Program
- Past President's Award: Nick Szwed
- President's Award for Excellence: Varsahe Manivasakan Monash Uni Student Chapter

Many thanks to the Selection Panels for their dedication and time to review the nominations.



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