



Dear Members

Annual General Meeting – Session 2006-08 Branch Chairman’s Report

On behalf of the Branch Committee, it is my honour and pleasure to present to you the Chairman’s Report for Session 2007-08.

The Branch Committee fully understood that high value-added learned society activities would facilitate our members to exchange views, share experiences, do net-working and foster closer co-operation among themselves and with other engineering practitioners. With the resourcefulness and untiring efforts of our Young Member Section, the Branch had organized or jointly organized with like minded local professional institutions 37 learned society events (Appendix). Apart from technical talks and visits, the events included seminars on Route to Membership, Professional Development Tutorship, finance planning and crystal thinking, competition for Speak Out for Engineering Presentation, Caring Engineer’s Concert, etc. I trusted our members did benefit from participating the aforesaid events.

Another important event took place during the session was the landmark 3-day International Conference on Climate Change held in May 2007. We took pride to witness our Past Chairman, Mr Otto Poon, chairing the Organizing Committee and our President John Baxter participating actively in both the opening and closing forums of the Conference. President Baxter also took time off his busy schedule to meet members and deliver an inspiring lecture on *Energy for Life*.

At the request of Headquarters in 2007, the Branch had received 43 applications and conducted 40 professional review interviews for corporate membership applications. 25 applicants based on results of assessment were recommended for acceptance, representing a success rate of 62.5%. The Branch Committee wished to convey its gratitude to members acting as Assessors for undertaking such onerous assessment task.

Up to end of March 2008, the total number of Hong Kong members recorded an increase of 3.6% to 2,460 from 2375 a year ago. Among them included one Hon Fellow, 93 Fellows, 1,246 Members, 401 Associates and 719 Affiliates. There were little changes in both classes of Fellow and Members, but a significant drop of 4% in the class of Associates. The increase in the numbers of Affiliates by 16% was healthy due to free membership for students. More efforts had to be made to encourage Affiliates to apply for Associates upon graduation.

Finally, I wish to put on record my heartfelt thanks to the officers and members of Branch Committee and YMS Committee and helpers for their dedication and contributions. My tribute should also go to our Past Chairmen, Mr Otto Poon, Mr Edmund Leung and Prof Ronald So for their advice and guidance, without which I would be able to perform my duties as your Chairman.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'C W Tso'.

C W Tso (Dr)
Branch Chairman

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IMechE HK Branch Activities - Session 2007/2008

	Date	Event
1.	29-31 May 07 (Tue – Thu)	International Conference on Climate Change – jointly organized with ICE, IStructE, IET and CIWSE
2.	30 May 07 (Wed)	Presidential Lecture on “Energy for Life” by IMechE President, John Baxter cum Cocktail Reception
3.	9 Jun 07 (Sat)	YMS Seminar Sun Tzu's “Art of War”
4.	16 Jun 07 (Sat)	YMS Technical Visit to Ngong Ping Sewage Treatment Works
5.	26 Jun 07 (Tue)	YMS Seminar “Technical Presentation Skill for Engineers”
6.	27 Jun 07 (Wed)	Technical Talk by Branch Chairman on "Emissions Reduction Measures for Power Generation - Hongkong Electric's Experience" – jointly organized with HKIE
7.	21 Jul 07 (Sat)	YMS Technical Visit to “KMB TOMS System and Digital Map System”
8.	23 Jul 07 (Mon)	Trust Fund Caring Engineers' Concert 2007
9.	4 Aug 07 (Sat)	YMS Technical Visit to “ Hong Kong Aero Engine Services Limited (HAESL)”
10.	18 Aug 07 (Sat)	Green Engineering Symposium on "Is Hong Kong Building Green?" – jointly organized with ICE
11.	22 Aug 07 (Wed)	YMS Technical Seminar "Energy Efficient System Design - Select the right Cooling Tower and AHU”
12.	30 Aug 07 (Thu)	YMS Presentation Seminar "Gesture, pose and voice - making the presentation alive”
13.	12-16 Sep 07 (Wed – Sun)	Technical Visit to City of Nanjing and Anhui Province, China – jointly organized with HKIE and ASME
14.	13 Sep 07 (Thu)	YMS Seminar on "Experience Sharing on Renewable Energy Installations in Hong Kong”
15.	19 Sep 07 (Wed)	Technical Talk on "Fire Engineering Design for Road Tunnels” – jointly organized with HKIE
16.	5 Oct 07 (Fri)	YMS Technical Visit to the Standards and Calibration Laboratory (SCL)
17.	6 Oct 07 (Sat)	YMS Technical Visit to Tai Po Town Gas Plant "Efficient, Environmental Friendly and Safe Gas Plant" (1 st visit)
18.	13 Oct 07 (Sat)	YMS Technical Visit to Tai Po Town Gas Plant "Efficient, Environmental Friendly and Safe Gas Plant" (2 nd visit)
19.	18 Oct 07 (Thu)	Technical Talk by Branch Chairman on “Design & Construction of Submarine Gas Pipeline from GDLNG Terminal to Lamma Power Station” – jointly organized with HKIE and IGEM.
20.	22 Oct 07 (Mon)	YMS Session on “Have your say”

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21.	3 Nov 07 (Sat)	YMS Technical Visit to HK Electric's Lamma Power Station & Wind Power Station
22.	17 Nov 07 (Sat)	YMS Seminar on "Crystal Thinking" - 《水晶思考法》
23.	1 Dec 07 (Sat)	YMS Technical Visit to HK Electric's Cyberport Switching Station and Ap Lei Chau Control Station
24.	8 Dec 07 (Sat)	Speak Out for Engineering Presentation Competition (Hong Kong)
25.	12 Dec (Wed)	Professional Development Tutorship Programme Annual Gathering and Cocktail Reception Cum Seminar "Route to Membership"
26.	13 Dec 07 (Thu)	Technical Talk "Road and Railway Tunnel - Ventilation System from Design to Practice" – jointly organized with HKIE
27.	15 Dec 07 (Sat)	Christmas Party – jointly organized with young member committees from ICE, IET, IEEE, AES, HKIE and HK Women Teachers' Organization (HKWTO)
28.	5 Jan 08 (Sat)	YMS Technical Visit to Guangdong Daya Bay Nuclear Plant
29.	27 Jan 08	War Game – jointly organized with <i>HKIE ASHRAE, CIBSE</i>
30.	16 Feb 08 (Sat)	YMS Technical Visit to CLP Power's Castle Peak Power Plant
31.	29 Feb 08 (Fri)	YMS Seminar on "Financial Planning for Engineers"
32.	12 Mar 08 (Wed)	Technical Talk on "Innovative BMP-Balanced Magnet Pulsation Used Oil Renewal Technology" – jointly organized with HKIE
33.	19 Mar 08 (Wed)	Technical Talk on "Convince Your Audience - Successful Presentation Skills for Engineers" – jointly organized with HKIE and ASME
34.	4-6 Apr 08	YMS Hong Kong Young Engineers China Study Programme - Sun Yat-sen University
35.	12 Apr 08 (Sat)	Regional Speak Out for Engineering Presentation Competition (Adelaide, Australia)
36.	13 Apr 08 (Sun)	6 th Australasian Branch Meeting (Adelaide, Australia)
37.	09 May 08 (Fri)	YMS AGM and Seminar "Route to Membership"