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AEES 2008

Invitation

Australian Earthquake Engineering Society Conference

21 - 23 November 2008
Ballarat, Victoria, Australia

The local organising committee invites you to Ballarat to attend the 2008 Australian Earthquake Engineering Society Conference. The conference will be held at Ballarat University over three half-days (Friday afternoon, Saturday and Sunday mornings), with each half day divided into two sessions. The Saturday afternoon is free for delegates to socialise and enjoy the township of Ballarat and all it has to offer. There will be conference dinners on both Friday evening (at Sovereign Hill) and Saturday evening (at St. Anne's Winery). The AEES AGM will be held during the conference also.

As in recent years, there will be no single theme for this year's conference to encourage anyone involved in earthquake engineering or engineering seismology in Australasia to participate.

The following keynote speakers have been invited to speak at the conference. They are:

- Dave Brunsdon
- Bill Jordan
- Nelson Lam
- CVR Murty
- George Walker

The format will be similar to last year's with a blend of keynote speakers, oral presentations and poster presentations. Each poster presenter will be given the opportunity for a short oral presentation to the assembly and will be asked to attend their poster during tea breaks. All abstracts will be published in the conference proceedings and full papers will be provided to each participant on CD.

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REGISTRATION FORM: Please register me for the AEES2008 Conference in Ballarat on 21 - 23 November 2008

Title Prof / Dr / Mr / Mrs / Ms **First Name**..... **Surname**

Preferred First Name **Company/Organisation**

Address

Phone **Email**

Special Dietary Requirements

- I enclose a cheque payable to AEES
- Please debit my Visa/Mastercard/Bankcard No Expiry date

Return by 31.10.08 to claim 'Earlybird' rate to Sharon Anderson, AEES, PO Box 4014, McKinnon PO, VIC, 3204, Australia or via email srj@bigpond.net.au or fax 61 3 9557 2014

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| <input type="checkbox"/> \$400 Full Conference 'Earlybird' – AEES Member (incl dinners) | <input type="checkbox"/> \$300 Conference only – Member |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$425 Full Conference 'Earlybird' – Non-Member (incl dinners) | <input type="checkbox"/> \$325 Conference only – Non-member |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$195 Full-time students and retirees (incl. dinners) | <input type="checkbox"/> \$125 Single day (excl dinner) <input type="checkbox"/> Fri <input type="checkbox"/> Sat <input type="checkbox"/> Sun |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Additional dinner/s <input type="checkbox"/> Fri \$85 <input type="checkbox"/> Sat \$90 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$50 Surcharge for registration after 31 October '08 |

ABN 83 410 367 830 AEES is not required to register for GST. **GST does not apply.**
AEES is a Technical Society of The Institution of Engineers, Australia

AEES2008 Australian Earthquake Engineering Society Conference

DATE:	21 - 23 November 2008	REGISTRATION:	See page 1
LOCATION:	Geoffrey Blainey Auditorium University of Ballarat University Drive Mt Helen	Earlybird rate before 31 October 2008	Late registration available at conference desk at Ballarat University
FEE:	See over		
ACCOMMODATION:	See over	KEY DATES:	Final Papers due: 6 October Early registration due: 31 October Conference: 21-23 November
ENQUIRIES:	Sharon Anderson srj@bigpond.net.au Tel. 0414 492 210		

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Dave Brunson is a director of Kestrel Group Ltd, a New Zealand-based consulting practice specialising in strategic emergency management planning for local and central government agencies and infrastructure providers. He is a Fellow and Past-President of the NZ Society for Earthquake Engineering. He was involved in the response to the Newcastle earthquake and led NZ reconnaissance teams following the devastating 1995 Kobe and 1999 Taiwan earthquakes. More recently he co-ordinated the building safety evaluation process immediately following the Gisborne, NZ earthquake in December 2007.

Bill Jordan is a consulting civil and structural engineer specializing in the conservation of heritage buildings and structures and was involved in the aftermath of the 1989 Newcastle earthquake. Since 1993 he has been principal of Bill Jordan & Assoc Pty Ltd, based in Newcastle. He has been a member of the board of Engineering Heritage Australia since 1991, chairing it in 1997-98, and having responsibility for EHA's initiative to register heritage and conservation engineers on NPER. He is the author or co-author of many papers on building conservation and restoration and is a past President of Newcastle Division of Engineers Australia.

Nelson Lam is Associate Professor and Reader at University of Melbourne. He has been researching and consulting widely in the field of earthquake engineering. The Chapman Medal and the Warren Medal awarded by Engineers Australia and the Gupta Award by the ISET Journal of Earthquake Technology are acknowledgements of his contributions to the research and practice of earthquake engineering. His early career was with Scott Wilson Kirkpatrick and Partners consulting engineers (Hong Kong Office) in most of the 1980's, with the majority of the time serving as a structural engineer in the Bridge Section of the firm.

C.V.R. Murty specialises in the Earthquake-Resistant Design of Buildings and Bridges. He is the principal author of the National Disaster Management Policy and Guidelines – Earthquakes, a policy document, India. He is associated with major revisions of the Indian seismic codes on seismic design provisions for buildings and bridges and has authored three books and one book-chapter on earthquake resistant design and construction. He was Editor-in-Chief of the World Housing Encyclopaedia October 2005 – July 2008. Murty was a member of IIT Kanpur Earthquake Reconnaissance Teams which conducted extensive post-earthquake surveys after the 2005 Kashmir, 2004 Sumatra, 2002 Diglipur, 2001 Bhuj, 1999 Chamoli, 1997 Jabalpur and 1993 Killari earthquakes.

George Walker is a Senior Risk Analyst with Aon and has been with them since 1989 following 5 years at CSIRO and 21 years at James Cook University. George has over 45 years experience in earthquake engineering, over 35 years experience in wind engineering, and over 25 years experience in analysing the risk to insurance companies from natural hazards. His primary current research interest is in the provision of the benefits of catastrophe insurance to the citizens of developing countries

Australian Earthquake Engineering Society

The Society was established on 10 December, 1990, with endorsement and initial funding from the Institution of Engineers, Australia. The objectives of the Society are the promotion and advancement of the practice of earthquake engineering and engineering seismology, by functions such as:

- Organisation of technical conferences, symposia and meetings;
- Production of relevant publications
- Acting as the Australian representative in dealings with the International Association for Earthquake Engineering and other regional earthquake associations, governments and interest groups.

ACCOMMODATION:

We recommend you make your travel arrangements early. A range of accommodation is available in the town of Ballarat.

The following 4 star hotels are located between the University and Sovereign Hill and are the closest accommodation to both the University and Sovereign Hill (walking distance to Sovereign Hill):

Doherty Ballarat Lodge	613 Main Road, Ballarat res.ballarat@dohertyhotels.com.au	1800 056 343 http://www.dohertyhotels.com.au
Quest Mews Apartments	603 – 605 Main Road, Ballarat questmews@questapartments.com.au	03 5333 7781 www.questapartments.com.au/
Best Western	525 Main Road, Ballarat ballaratsuites@bestwestern.com.au	03 5329 0200

If you would prefer to stay in the heart of Ballarat alternate accommodation can be found at:

www.visitballarat.com.au

Travelling to Ballarat

Ballarat is Victoria's largest inland city and is situated just over an hour's drive on the Western Freeway from Melbourne.

By Plane If arriving by air into Melbourne you can continue onto Ballarat by taking the [Ballarat Airport Shuttle Bus](http://www.airportshuttlebus.com.au) (www.airportshuttlebus.com.au), which runs a number of daily services. Bookings are recommended. 03 5333 4181

By Car Take the Western Freeway from Melbourne. Travel time is approximately 1.5 hours.

By Train [V/Line](http://www.viclink.com.au) runs a number of trains daily to Ballarat from Southern Cross Station (formerly Spencer Street Station), Melbourne. Travel time is around 1.5 hours' but with the construction of the fast train network on the Ballarat line this time has been reduced significantly for peak usage trains. [Viclink](http://www.viclink.com.au) (www.viclink.com.au) provides access to information on all train and bus services in regional Victoria's central public transport network.



Doherty Ballarat Lodge



Quest Mews



Best Western

