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CICA Lifts Industry Profile in Canberra!

CICA has held another successful Annual Conference, Exhibition and Crane Display at the National Convention Centre in Canberra.

The Crane Industry Council of Australia (CICA) has continued its great tradition of successful Conferences with another highly acclaimed event, this year held in Canberra, 30 September to 2 October 2009.

“The CICA Conference was first held in August 1979 at the Gold Coast Broadbeach Hotel, and was the stepping stone for CICA’s formation two months later,” noted John Gillespie, CICA’s President. “CICA has therefore completed 30 years of representation and service to the industry,” said John quite proudly.

“Based on delegate feedback the 2009 event was a most valuable business forum and industry gathering. Sponsorship and exhibitor support led by Platinum Sponsor Zoomlion / Dellgale was significant,” remarked John. “CICA would like to go on record expressing our thanks to all our sponsors, exhibitors, delegates, members, speakers and supporters in making the event so memorable,” stated John.

Alan Marshall, CICA’s Chief Executive Officer joined in to talk up the success of the event: “Highlights of the event included the 2-day strong speaker program - delegates will never forget the impact that Olympic coaching legend Laurie Lawrence had on the first morning; the Manufacturers Panel; the informative sessions by international consultant Stuart Anderson; sponsor and lift of the year presentations; the NZ Update and much more. The Exhibition and Crane Display side-by-side looked a treat,” said Alan. “The Canberra location and big event venue were excellent. Inject over 350 delegates, 30 exhibitor booths and 20 cranes on display and you have a successful formula,” added Alan.

“CICA also held the important 2009 Industry Forum in Canberra, discussing key industry issues as the WorkCover National Harmonisation; Standards Australia’s financial plight; Industry Training; EN13000; Major Inspections; Lift of the Year Award improvements; and CraneSafe,” noted Alan.

“It is important to highlight the big winners at the Gala Dinner Lift of the Year Awards, which were Gillespie Crane Services (category A, over 60T) and Boom Sherrin (Category B, up to 60T). The various award nominee presentations made earlier in the event were once again most impressive”, said Alan.

“CICA is most thankful for the CICA Conference Team led by host state CIA NSW and CICA President John Gillespie,” concluded Alan.

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