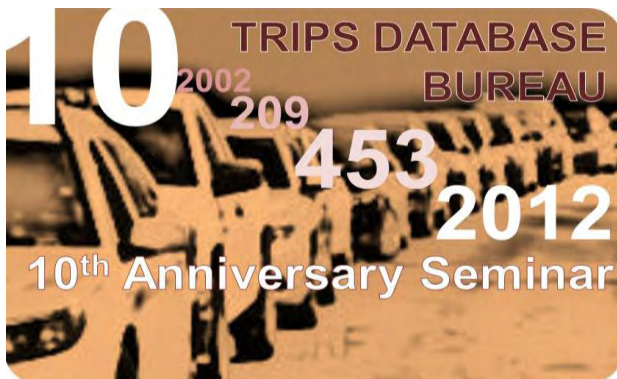

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SEMINAR - Wednesday 12th September

Registrations are coming in steadily, and with about 1 week to go we still have some vacancies available before we reach our venue capacity. Please talk to your colleagues and make an effort to get to the Auckland Seminar on the 12th September at the Manukau Room, Auckland Transport, Henderson, Auckland from 9.00 am to 4.00 pm.

Presentations and discussions will cover the newly published Travel Profile Part B (Research Report 467), a TRICS demonstration, an update on Integrated Transport Assessments for the last year and urban trip predictions challenges and solutions. There will also be an open forum on data needs and surveys for our database. We will also present our new website, our draft Strategic Plan and hold our 10th AGM!

Use the registration form under News on our website www.tdbonline.org today.

Registration costs are:

TDB Members (first 3 are free)	\$ 200
Non Members	\$ 200

TDB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday 12th September

All attending the Seminar are welcome and other TDB members, in particular from Auckland, are encouraged to attend the TDB 10th Annual General Meeting.

At the AGM we will recognise the achievement of 10 years of operation. Additionally, we will formally consider our draft Strategic Plan to take us into the next 10 years, and the process to finalise it. In these difficult economic times, it is easy to take our eyes off strategically important activities, to our longer term detriment. We hope that attendees will provide a positive signal to the future direction and activities of TDB through their contributions to the meeting.

The meeting agenda includes the election of up to 4 Board members. The AGM will commence at 2.45 p.m. at the TDB Seminar Venue.

2012 SURVEYS - Poor feedback received

TDB periodically organises specific site surveys in addition to those generously provided by its members. The addition of new site survey data is fundamental to TDB retaining an up to date and relevant database for the benefit of all members.

The TDB Board recently decided to specifically focus our survey programme on the areas of greatest member need and asked members to tell them what specific land uses/activities you consider should be targeted.

A total of three responses were received and the Board thanks Antoni Facey, Roger Burra and Dave Wanty for these. It is disappointing that so few responses were received from members, and the Board would like to remind members that TDB is a joint collective where members both contribute and receive benefit – TDB and its database are there to help members by co-ordinating and responding to their needs. The issue of the areas of greatest data need and what specific land uses/activities you consider should be targeted will be canvassed in more detail at the TDB Seminar, where everyone will be invited to offer at least one land use suggestion - so get your thinking caps on now!

Congratulations to Antoni Facey, the winner of the movie vouchers.

Thank you to TDB Board member, Phillip Brown of Traffic Engineering and Management Ltd (TEAM), for setting up the email address for members to use and collating the responses.

TDB ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

It is that time of year again when we will be shortly sending out our annual membership subscriptions. The subscriptions for each membership class have been held to the same low level as they have for the past 3 years, in recognition of the tight economic times we find ourselves in. For your subscription, you get the excellent value of provision of our database and its user guide, access to queries on the TRICS database, workshops and seminars, research information and the opportunity to network with a wide range of other professionals with the same TDB-related interests. These subscriptions are key to allowing us to provide the various services and provide the benefits of membership to you.

Stuart Woods
Executive Officer 3.9.12