



BRAZIER SCAFFOLDING LTD. NEWS



Spring 2006

SETTING THE STANDARD IN SCAFFOLDING SINCE 1973



Three generations of Brazier scaffolders standing in front of Colin's original first working truck. It is a 1957 A2 Bedford. From right to left. Glen, Colin, Cole and dad Shane.

WELCOME TO OUR SPRING EDITION NEWSLETTER.

After the release of our first newsletter, the support and positive feedback received from our clients, made it an easy decision to go to print with our second issue.

Colin Brazier had the honor of writing the first page on the first newsletter. Oh, how things can change in a very short amount of time, Colin has now become an Executive Director for the Brazier Group of companies and Shane Brazier has been elected to the board as Chief Executive. It gave me great pleasure in November last year to present staff with their lost time injury achievement awards at our safety awards function. This was an excellent evening and looking forward to the awards in 2006. Management awarded 12 staff members with certificates. From a long, very cold winter we now notice the nights are getting drawn out as spring is upon us.

The board of directors are thrilled to hear the announcement that our Invercargill and Christchurch branches have been awarded secondary level on the ACC WSMP scheme. This is a saving of 15% to the branches on their ACC levies. Congratulations to all staff and management for achieving this level. We are now looking forward to the challenge in achieving tertiary level.

Bob Gibson and I earlier this year attended the New Zealand ACC Work Place Health and Safety Awards in Auckland. Brazier Scaffolding Ltd received a judge's Special Commendation for our pandemic planning induction. This was an enormous achievement, as this was placed on Bob's desk with three weeks to the dead line. Hopefully we will receive another award this year.

To all our clients, thank you, for all your support over the previous months and we look forward to solving your access problems over the forthcoming summer.

Shane Brazier – Chief Executive



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NZAS T1A tower upgrade for Pneumatic Contractors

It has been a while since the last newsletter and the work load has eased from the previous very busy years. The new Layher scaffolding system that the company has been purchasing has proved very popular with the clients, especially the stairway access, that enables the scaffold users quicker and safer access and being able to carry hand tools, paint buckets etc up stairs, speeds up the job for them greatly and safely. We are also now able to supply site fencing, which has become popular to keep unwanted people out of the work area, crowd control etc. I am pleased to say we have received our new stage equipment, so we are able to meet those stage requirements, with purpose stage equipment.

The easing of our work load in the Invercargill area has meant we have been using our labour and equipment resources at the Milton Prison and Queenstown areas, when the need arises.

That is about all to report for now and look forward to dealing with you in the future.

Glen Brazier – Invercargill Branch Manager

**SAFETY AWARD
RECIPIENTS**

- Bob Gibson**
- Sandra Bailey**
- Paul Cahill**
- Shane Brazier**
- Glen Braizer**
- Ted O'Connell**
- Shaun Katene**
- Josh Murray**
- Noel Vincent**
- Deane Tamariki**
- Brett Munyard**
- Keith Gaines**
- Karl Tither**
- Tamaki Te Muunu**
- Hori Elers**

**NEW ADVANCED
SCAFFOLDERS**

- Brett Munyard**
- Karl Tither**





BRAZIER IN QUEENSTOWN

Brazier Scaffolding Ltd in Queenstown has been involved with some of the major construction projects in and around town. These projects consist of the \$30,000,000 Queenstown airport extension which is currently on stage three of four, a major demolition and re build whilst the airport is still operating. Man Street multi storey car park is 30% complete. The Club apartments are under construction now up to level 5 of 9 levels. St. Peters Church development is taking good shape with the roof being erected and if you look high up on Queenstown Hill, you will see the concrete construction of six buildings near completion, being the multi million dollar Commonage Close development. The success of these construction sites is only possible with the dedication of our staff, these men who build up to be a good team from locals to long term nationals. We pride ourselves vast experience in the scaffolding industry with just two employees totalling 50 plus years combined experience of scaffolding in the UK.

So what's on for the next twelve months?

There is plenty still coming up in the pipeline, we are in contention for the Rees Apartment development, the exciting Aquatic centre and Five Mile Village, to name a few. With Brazier Scaffolding Group resources and high quality staff, no job is too big or too small to undertake. That is why I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate and also thank clients such as Rileans, Naylor Love, Arrow International, Amalgamated Builders, Edge Construction and Wakatipu Construction for their loyalty, and co-operation in past, present and future projects. Queenstown is still in its early years the construction side and with our expertise and high status of Health and Safety standards, working as Professional scaffolders with Professional clients, make Queenstown one of the most vibrant cities in New Zealand.

Karl Dunne – Manager, Brazier Scaffolding Ltd, Queenstown



QUEENSTOWN AIRPORT

Queenstown Airport upgrade debry screen

HEALTH & SAFETY REPORT FOR BRAZIER MAGAZINE

As I am writing this report for our second edition of our Company magazine, I have just received notice that three of our Invercargill Staff working in Queenstown this week, have been involved in a traffic accident on the way to work. This accident happened on the Lower Shotover Bridge with one of our employees being thrown from the vehicle, into the Shotover River and the other two in the truck sustaining minor injuries, whiplash and major abrasions. From information received, the accident occurred when a car towing a trailer coming from the opposite direction, had a blow-out on one of the trailer tyres which then started to fish tail and struck the front of the truck causing it to lose steering and turned sharply right hitting the bridge guardrail. At that time the driver was ejected from the vehicle and ended up in the Shotover river 8-10 metres below, while the other two passenger were taken along the road inside the truck on a ride they won't forget in a long time. It also highlighted the use of Form 1.2.4 "Staff Contacts in Case of an Emergency Situation" in such situations. If we did not have this information, then it would have been more difficult to contact and inform their families of the events that had taken place.

Luckily enough, all accident victims had filled in Form 1.2.4 voluntarily which made it easier to contact their families. As with all accident situations, gossip and innuendos circulated quickly and we received phone calls from our opposition company asking if the rumour was correct that we had had a fatal traffic accident. We also received a call from a parent concerned about her son's wellbeing as she had heard the same rumour. I am sure that your partner or family would prefer to be informed by the victim's employer, rather than find out from other sources like rumour or the media, which usually exaggerates these events for maximum impact. Imagine what must be going through your loved ones' heads when they open the door to find a police officer standing there. I am sure they would prefer to see a recognisable face from the victim's work rather than a stranger in uniform. But at the end of the day it is up to the individual to supply this information freely and up to the person in control of this information to keep it secure from other people and use it in the appropriate context for which it was gathered. Obviously expect more memos to be dispatched to all branches after this event, for you to read.

Bob Gibson – Health & Safety Co-ordinator, Brazier Group



Bob Gibson with the Health & Safety Award that Brazier Scaffolding Ltd won at the recent ACC Workplace Health & Safety Awards in Auckland



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Ryman Healthcare St Clair

**NEW
EMPLOYEES**

Shaun Mills
Truck Driver/Labourer

Michael Neely
Truck Driver/Labourer

**NEW ADVANCED
SCAFFOLDERS**

David Aiau

ABLE SCAFFOLDING YEAR TO DATE

Able has up to date had a very busy and productive year, with the "Milton Hilton " project keeping us on our toes, having to have virtually all buildings with full scaffolding on them. For this project we added the Layher Scaffold System to our other System and Tube + Fitting stock. This system in my opinion would be one of the best world wide. Give us a ring and try it on your next project, you won't be sorry.

The Prison is now winding down and we should be out of there by August end, but as they say, life goes on and we have many more Contracts up and running, including the Moana Pool additions, Regent Theatre, Customs House Restaurant plus the Ryman Clinic Multi-Story at Saint Clair, and we are more than happy to do any job be it large or small give – Able a call.

Wain Chambers – Manager, Able Scaffolding Ltd, Dunedin

2006 IN REVIEW

- SARNZ Conference Taupo, Shane Brazier re-elected onto the executive
- Christchurch Branch achieving Secondary Level ACC WSMP
- Invercargill Branch achieving secondary level ACC WSMP
- New Zealand Immigration Service Accreditation renewed
- Invercargill Branch inaugural safety award evening
- Bob Gibson receives 20 year service acknowledgement award
- Lease of property Silverdale, North Shore Auckland
- ACC Health and Safety awards Auckland-Judges Special Commendation award winner
- Ali-Scaff first export order to Manu Samoa
- Westland branch relocates to Blackball
- Filipino Scaffolders brought into Queenstown on work visas
- Ali-Scaff attends the Hire Association Conference, Christchurch
- Brazier Staff attend Master Building Conference, Queenstown



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Addington Grain Store is prepared for a new roof

**STAFF
PROFILE**



Bruce Woodgate
Christchurch Branch
Contracts Supervisor

Born
Middlesex England 23rd
October 1965

Married to
Sue since 1994

Children
Charlotte 4 years
Christopher 2 years

Joined
Brazier Scaffolding
in 1997

HELLO, KIAORA, TALOFA, BONJOUR, GUTENTAG, & GIDDAY

To everyone who has taken a few minutes to read about the life and times of Brazier Scaffolding Ltd (BSL) in Christchurch. Another winter has been and gone. Good riddance some would say. Snow is all well and good for the skiers and tourists, but it is certainly not something that our scaffolders look forward to.

Darren Mould has completed his BSL management trainee program and also his double major in business management and will be capped in November. He may well be a lone crusader in the quest to have more tertiary graduates in the scaffolding industry, but someone has to be first. Well done to Darren Mould (B.BusMgmt) (Editor...Looks good written down doesn't it Daz!!!)

Congratulations to Corey Halbert-Pere and Kyle Jago on achieving their advanced scaffolding certificates of competence. They have worked hard to get their skills up to the level that is required by the Department of Labour and deserve the recognition of their tradesmen peers and the formal title of "Advanced Scaffolder" A job well done by these two young men. We now have 12 advanced ticketed scaffolders on staff. With an additional 3 apprentices at various stages of completing their training, the Christchurch Branch has an excellent labour force available for all your scaffolding and propping needs.

Last year we made an extremely large investment in the latest modular scaffolding system from Germany. (Editor...Do not mention the World Cup) The Layher system, as predicted, has proven to be one of our most popular investments with both staff and clients finding its ease and versatility a real feature on a variety of projects. This inventory purchase along with our new 16 Tonne Hiab truck, has this branch of BSL ready, willing and able to provide timely and cost competitive scaffolding & propping services to all our existing clients and any new ones who would like to experience the benefits of dealing with the true professionals, in the greater Canterbury area.



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Christchurch Branch is always involved in some interesting civic projects. Over the last few months, we have completed work on some iconic Christchurch buildings that we are sure you will recognise.

- Akaroa Lighthouse, Beacon Glazing
- Cramner Courts, Slate Roof Restorations
- Heritage Hotel Cathedral Square, Stonework Restorations
- Moana Vale Homestead & Lodge, Full Exterior Restorations
- Orana Park New Tiger Enclosure (Editor...Prior to enclosing the actual tigers we hope?)
- Our City Building Oxford Tce Windows, Stonework & Roof Restorations
- Provincial Chambers, Stained Glass Restorations
- Papanui Primary School, re Roof
- Rose Chapel Colombo St, Slate Roof & Stonework Restorations
- St John of God Chapel Halswell, Slate Roof & Stonework Restorations
- Sign of The Takahe, Stonework Restorations

As well as the many hundreds of commercial and domestic projects throughout Canterbury, we have been regularly called upon to complete work in Kaikoura to the north, Timaru to the south, Akaroa to the east and Springfield to the west. With the opening of our Westland Branch, the Christchurch operation now stays to the east of the main divide and we enjoy rather than despise the results of a good Nor' Wester.

At the time of writing we are in the midst of our audit for secondary level ACC workplace safety management practices, (WSMP). We hope to be able to advise all our clients in the next newsletter, that we are one of the first (if not the first) scaffolding company in the country to achieve this level of accreditation. (Editor...Watch this space) So just try and remember our philosophy....anything is possible...but the impossible may have to wait just a little bit longer and free quotes are still no charge.

I hope those of you who are fans of snow boarding and skiing, enjoyed the winter while those of us who prefer hot sun and a "cold one" at the Bach, can only hope that summer treats us as well as winter treated the snow bunnies.

Paul Faithfull – Manager, Brazier Scaffolding, Christchurch



**STAFF
PROFILE CONT.**

Original trade back ground in welding (City & Guilds London England) and specialised glazing and general carpentry then scaffolding after he immigrated here to New Zealand Outside of work Bruce has a passion for all things sporting with a love of football aka soccer (as would be expected from an Englishman) He also likes to occasionally play golf and do a spot of sailing around Lyttelton Harbour and Banks Peninsula when the chance presents itself Despite this we let him become a New Zealand citizen in 2001. He feels right at home seeing as the average kiwi thinks the All Blacks are world champs because of 1987 and every Englishman never forgets (or lets us forget) 1966 and the football world cup. A couple of one hit wonders who both are proud to have given Bruce one of their passports

FLASHBACK

Brazier Group Health and Safety Co-ordinator Bob Gibson showing how to do a Hanging Scaffold 30m above the Buller River in September 1987. Lack of PPE is very evident for all to see but, these were the good old days.





Narrow frames



MONTECRISTO

Alloy birdcage

ALI-SCAFF once again has been very busy promoting its aluminium mobile scaffolding products to anyone needing to get off the ground safely to complete their everyday tasks.

We would like to welcome Roger and his team from Alectra Building Supplies, Rangiora North Canterbury as a distributor selling the ALI-SCAFF range of mobiles out of their newly built drive thru and retail store. We look forward to a long relationship with Alectra Building Supplies. Montecristo Construction has purchased a number of scaffold towers for their different sites around the South Island. After weighing up the hire costs they obviously decided 'to buy' was the best option. Pictured is just one of the towers that they now own.

ALI-SCAFF has several scaffold companies that use our mobiles for their own hire, which means our products are now turning up on many major construction sites throughout New Zealand. ALI-SCAFF has had an export order to a customer in Samoa, which was carried out hassle free with "completely satisfied" feedback from the owner about the end product.



Trade shows attended so far this year were the Registered Master Builders Federation conference, the Hire Association of New Zealand (HIANZ) and the annual Scaffolding and Rigging New Zealand (S.A.R.N.Z) AGM, all of which have had positive results.

John Wielsma – Sales Manager, Ali Scaff



**NEW
APPOINTMENTS**

Brent Neither
Karl Neither



Westland

WESTLAND BRANCH

With increasing demand for scaffold, Brazier Scaffolding Ltd decided to open a Branch in Reefton, Westland, in December 2005. Have now after consideration, moved to Blackball as it is more central and gives a more efficient service to our clients' needs. Our client base is steadily expanding which includes:

Holcim Cement, Westport
Programmed Maintenance Service
Works Infrastructure
Chris Yeates Building
John Griffin Building
CDF National
Smiths Cranes
David Reid Homes
Riclyn Builders

As the weather is becoming warmer the painters are starting to get busy and are getting in contact with Westland. Holcim Cement works have been providing us with a good contribution of work of various and skill testing nature. Oceana Gold, have reopened the globe mine in Reefton which is a real opportunity for us as we have recently been scaffolding there for Smith's Cranes. There are many more installations happening on site, which may provide us with a good amount of ongoing work. Westland has now started to scaffold the new Activity Centre in Franz Josef for Chris Yeates Builders which is a major undertaking on his part and an architect's dream building (Angles and Pitches in every direction)

Westland has good support form the builders in Greymouth and as we have been scaffolding in the CBD, contact has increased.

Westland, being a new branch has offered the West Coast a new option for reliability and excellent standard in scaffolding. Many thank to the Christchurch Branch for its ongoing support and input. Let's all have a good rest of the year.

Brent Neither - Westland Manger