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## **A Message from the Chair: Comments of CPD program Nov 2010 – March 2011**

### ***November 2010***

On Friday November 12, the Geelong Group of Engineers Australia finished the year's program with a site tour of the new Origin Energy, Mortlake Gas Fired Power Station Project currently being constructed, and about to be commissioned.

An eager group of 20 travelled in two 12 seater busses from Geelong to Mortlake. Arriving at 3.00 PM, the group were met by Origin Energy's representatives who conducted a site safety induction.

The group were then given a detailed tour of the power station, its ancillary services and EHV switchyard by Origin's enthusiastic and dedicated engineering representatives. No questions were left unanswered. The overall group agreed it rated as one of our better site inspections.

After the farewells and thanks, the busses departed for Geelong at 6.30.

Thanks to Origin Energy and their representatives for their efforts in making the event a successful and enjoyable one.

### ***February 2011***

On Thursday February 24, the Geelong Group of Engineers Australia started the year's program with a combined site tour and dinner meeting.

Dr Bree Gorman-Holz escorted a group of approximately 50 around the Geelong Technology Precinct facility at Deakin University Waurin Ponds campus. The facilities house some diverse facilities from Electron Microscopes, Material testing equipment, fibre technology and other hi-tech equipment used by researchers and students. An exciting tour enjoyed by all.

Following the tour the group walked to Deakin's Lake House restaurant and enjoyed a dinner presentation by Kevin Magniez on Carbon Fibre Technology and the proposed Australian Carbon Fibre research facility.

***March 27<sup>th</sup>***

**Geelong Engineering History and Heritage Landmarks Tour.**

The Geelong Group and Engineering Heritage Victoria combined for a coach tour past view approximately 60 landmarks of Engineering History and Engineering Heritage significance including, roads, bridges, structures, electricity supply, water supply and transportation.

Lunch was held at the Fyansford Hotel. A chance to socialise with each other, visit John Monash's nearby bridge over the Moorabool River and plan future events.

The day finished at the Ford Discovery Centre (FDC) with a guided tour and a chance to look at more engineering history. Those who took part were rewarded with a comprehensive booklet of notes and photographs.

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Geelong Regional Group Chair 2011