



9th International Conference on MANAGING PAVEMENT ASSETS (ICMPA9)

Conference Take-Aways



Ideas to Take Home

- **From Sam Savage and from presentation by Peter Kadar, we need to move away from averages and convey risk accurately.**
- **Some issues are worldwide: communicating effectively, funding issues, personnel cuts, privatization, etc.**

The future is now topics

- RWD and TSD are no longer “out there” but are showing more and more promise.
- Sustainability also is here to stay. Andre Molenaar commented that wasting demolition waste materials is a real waste. Part of reduced budgets is using all materials but doing so in a planned way.
- Imaging and sensor technology has improved to allow 2-D and 3-D.

The riches we have

- We have incredible amounts of data but it is a wealth we need to manage to succeed.
- We have a legacy remembering Katie Zimmerman's keynote.
- We have giants among us and a future generation filled with enthusiasm for the work.

Some of the most talked about...

- Use of power spectral density to identify gilgai in Australia.
- There was considerable scooter envy from the sidewalk condition presentation.

Generous Sharing Across Continents

- Papers were presented from many US states: Indiana, Washington, Georgia, Maryland, North Carolina, Virginia and others.
- International papers from every corner: New Zealand, Australia, Ireland, United Kingdom, South Africa, Namibia

When you get home...

- Identify a few people from the conference with whom you want to remain in touch and drop them an email.
- Identify a topic or two to try on your own wealth of data. Read the paper and give it a go.
- Articulate two or three ideas from the conference to your boss.

On behalf of the Scientific Committee, thank you...

- to the many authors of papers for your generous work.
- to the workshop presenters. The workshops were a huge success!
- to the reviewers of papers and the judges of the student challenge.
- to the session notetakers. A separate powerpoint with session by session take-aways will be available after the conference.

From Theuns and I

- Thank you to the Scientific Committee and to the staff at Virginia Tech.

We wish you all safe travels home.

Final thoughts from Andre Molenaar

- Keep your eyes open.
- Use your imagination.
- When you do, great things can happen.