



KEN ERICKSON INNOVATION AWARD

JUDGES

Michael Hickey, Life Member of PWI
Lachlan Daniel, Mott MacDonald
Bob Ford, Ford Rail Management Pty Ltd
Daniel Armstrong, Rail Planning Services

Ken Erickson was elected as a Fellow of the New South Wales Permanent Way Institution on 30 November 1981. He was a member of the Committee from 1981 until his untimely death on 25 November 1988. In his 7 years on the Committee he was an Editor, with wry humour and then Secretary, with sparkling wit.

Ken was a dynamic member of the committee and a gifted speaker. His "summing up" of our only conference at Kings Cross will always be remembered by those lucky enough to be present.

Ken was always trying to provide new ideas or concepts to the PWI, hence it is fitting that the Innovation Award, which particularly looks for new ideas, is named in his honour. This Award was formerly called the Ken Erickson Achievement Award. The example of a winning entry on the website has this title.

This Annual Innovation Award has been incorporated in the PWI Awards to recognise an initiative or significant advance in rail technology which has promoted improvement in any part of the Permanent Way Industry during the last year

Eligible entries may be in the field of design, componentry, support systems (structural, geotechnical, surveying mechanical, interaction services) techniques, construction, maintenance, mechanisation or automation. The field is open to as wide a number of categories as possible.

Entries must have been completed in the last financial year by, or under control of a member of the NSW Section, whether on a government or private railway system.

Judging is based on:

Scoring Category	Available Score
Difficulties overcome	10
Contribution / Impact to track	20
Technical Input	20
Degree of innovation in perway aspects	20
Contribution to Safety	10
OH&S Systems	10
Amount of Local / Australian input	10
Total Score/Marks:	100