



Brian's Brief

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Dear Members

May I start by wishing you all the very best of good fortune for 2008. May we enjoy peace, good health and sufficient prosperity to be comfortable.

The members of your Executive Committee have been busy working on a bumper programme of SANEA activities for 2008 and I would like to introduce these to you.

Technical Lectures

Our monthly technical lectures will continue through the year. The first was held on 22 January and attracted a record number of almost 150 delegates! We hope to sustain this level of interest through the year. SASOL have agreed to provide meeting facilities at their Head Quarters for another year and the lectures in Gauteng will continue to take place there. We will consider holding a lecture in Durban and also one in Cape Town to test the waters with members in those areas. If there is a member that would be willing to provide the venue for such an event please contact me.

Business Briefing

We will be launching the **B³** events this year [Business Briefing Breakfasts – B Cubed]. These quarterly events will be different from our normal activities in that they will be by invitation only and the invitations will be addressed to senior people in the Corporate category. The first meeting will take place on Thursday, 28 February at the Woodmead Country Club. We will be addressed by Benny Mokaba from SASOL. More information will be contained in the invitation.

Annual General Meeting and Dinner

This very important event in the SANEA calendar will take place on 13 March 2008 at the Woodmead Country Club. This event is gaining in popularity and we hope that members will rate the 2008 evening as one of the best ever.

SANEA Awards

We will be sending out nomination forms next month for the SANEA Awards. These Awards have been revised to provide for more categories and to make them more inclusive of people involved in the energy sector. We are planning to hold a gala dinner on 31 July 2008 at which these awards will be presented. This will be a prestigious dinner and we will in due course be inviting sponsors to contribute to the evening.

SANEA Energy Forum

We plan to hold an Energy Forum on 31 July and 1 August to wrap around the awards evening. On this occasion the Forum will consider the WEC,s study on Energy Policy Scenarios to 2050 and the learning points for South Africa.

All in all, 2008 promises to be packed with SANEA activities, all of which are centred on our Vision of “**Energy People Working Together**”. I hope that many of you will attend these events and will continue to support SANEA in our mission “**To promote the sustainable supply and use of energy for the benefit of all.**”

Kind Regards

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