

Technology Training Centre Report for MPTA AGM 30/03/2021

The Technology Training Centre was established in 2007 and is a wholly owned subsidiary of MPTA. It's sole purpose is to deliver training and development initiatives to MPTA Members and other interested parties.

2020 Course Activity: Covid-19 had a significant impact of many businesses and the Technology Training Centre was not immune with many courses having to be cancelled. It is not surprising that our income from courses in 2020 was the lowest for many years at \$139,844.

In 2020 the following courses were run:

Course	# of participants	\$ revenue (excl. gst & exps)
1 x Small Drinking Water Supplies	7	\$ 5,640.00
4 x Milking Machine Testing	29	\$ 68,660.00
ISO Milking Machine Testing Re-training	39	\$ 14,060.00
1 x Milking Block Course (Cleaning Evaluation,	9	\$ 19,900.00
Milk Delivery, Milk Quality, Mastitis & Liner		
Selection & Stray Voltage)		
3 x Pump Selection	13	\$ 10,020.00
1 x Farm Water Reticulation	10	\$ 10,670.00
1 x Farm Dairy Effluent Hydraulic Design	4	\$ 4,550.00
Stray Voltage Online	4	\$ 800.00
Liner Selection Online	9	\$ 1,724.62
Intro to Milking Machine Testing Online	15	\$ 3,199.67
	139	\$ 139,224.29

Although Covid is still with us, business is pretty much back to normal and with a strong payout, apprentice training and the new ISO testing training, we are optimistic that 2021 will see a lift in the uptake of our training.

Financial Report:

The decision was made by MPTA, as 100% Shareholders of Technology Training Centre, to register the TTC as an in-active Company with IRD; as there was no financial advantage to run the two separate entities and report two sets of accounts. In November 2020 MPTA took over all activities of TTC, namely, the invoicing and running of training courses. Processes were put in place to close out all of Technology Training Centre's accounts and a final balance of \$15,119.95 was transferred to MPTA in December 2020. Technology Training Centre will be registered as in-active with IRD once the annual accounts for y/e 31/12/2020 have been filed.

Looking to the Future:

Training is still essential for the industry, especially for our apprentices and with the need to retrain the majority of milking machine testers in the ISO testing methods over the coming year. The new ISO training delivers a much more professional and modern learning platform with digital screens and online learning components.

With the number of apprentices now over 60, the surety of ongoing training for these learners, and new learners yet to come, brings a positive outlook for our training and for the future of the industry as we provide these apprentices with the skills to become highly competent and knowledgeable industry professionals. The Government's Covid-related funding for apprentice course fees and wage subsidy is a substantial boost to the affordability of employers taking on new apprentices and a number of employers have taken advantage of this.

We will be introducing more training available online which can be done as separate and will met the learning requirements for many learners i.e. a smaller number of modules completed for shop staff and more comprehensive modules for those that need more knowledge on topics.

For our training to be successful it is crucial that we have the support from our Members by placing participants on courses – courses that are designed with our Member's needs in mind. Thank you to those Members who have supported our training courses over the past years and I look forward to continued Member support throughout this year.

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