



## ARTSA Matters

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This is a regular bulletin to ARTSA members and others on issues happening in and around ARTSA. ARTSA Matters bulletins can also be found on the ARTSA web site at [www.artsa.com.au](http://www.artsa.com.au)

### **May Meeting – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May** **CRT Group, Gate 3, Barnes Road, Altona North** **“Meet the customer”**

2pm till 5pm

ARTSA will hold its May meeting at CRT Group in Altona. CRT is a national distribution and warehousing company. They have a substantial Volvo fleet as well as specialist trailers and pressure tankers from a variety of suppliers. CRT has recently also taken delivery of a “CargoSprinter” train that feature Volvo power packs and a host of innovative features. They are well known for their innovation in both road and rail equipment as well as in warehousing systems. ARTSA members will be able to tour the premises, take a ride on CargoSprinter and then meet with the CRT Engineering and Fleet staff to discuss their experience and expectations across the range of road transport gear.

This is a UNIQUE opportunity to meet with a leading customer and to see your equipment in action. To reserve a place, email Rob Perkins at [exec@artsa.com.au](mailto:exec@artsa.com.au)

### **ARTSA Shop**

We now have an easier way to find what publications and codes are on sale by ARTSA and others. The ARTSA Shop is at [www.artsa.com.au/shop](http://www.artsa.com.au/shop) You can read about the publications available and follow the links to arrange a purchase. It's all about making it easier to find stuff and get in front of those who need it.

### **Industry Advisory Group (IAG) at NRTC**

ARTSA is a member of the IAG. They hold meetings about every 4 months to discuss their current works program and to receive feedback from industry groups such as ARTSA. Rob Perkins attended the April meeting in Melbourne.

Key issues for ARTSA members included:

**Engine Brake Noise:** NRTC are designing an in-service test to target “excessively” noisy trucks

**Heavy Vehicle Safety Strategy:** endorsement from Ministers is expected in May. It is considered to have good support and likely to be accepted. Information is at

<http://www.nrtc.gov.au/publications/nhvss.asp?lo=public>

**Truck and dog combinations:** under the microscope and it appears the NRTC is hoping that these combinations will be dealt with under PBS

### **Chairman wins Centenary Medal**

Dr Peter Sweatman, Chairman of ARTSA and Managing Director of RoadUser Systems has been awarded a Centenary Medal in recognition of services to Australian society in transportation engineering.  
Well done Peter!

Our meeting schedule can be found at <http://www.artsa.com.au/meetings>

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