# **Howard James Ryan**

## Curriculum Vitae 2025 Australia's Voice in Construction









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**Training South Australia 2023** 

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**AAPI - AUSTRALIAN AFFILIATION OF PROPERTY INSPECTORS - ADMINISTRATOR** 

NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL CERT IV TAA & TAE TRAINER OF HOME & PROPERTY INSPECTORS

#### **AIM & OBJECTIVE**

57 years strong now, within these industries and professions (since 1968)

Sought after Construction Expert and Forensic Consultant in client/builder disputing situations

To intercept potential frivolous claims and assumptions

Utilize my age, experience, and known facts to resolve disputes and "business review" consultant

Ever developing Alternative Methods for the benefit of others

Skillset in forensic investigations into residential construction analysis

Working for changing of global patterns within new home construction and property inspector's mindset

Stands for the creation of accountability onto the protection of the Australian homeowner

To be unbiased in my inspection, mediation and expert reporting processes

To protect consumers against bad practice in residential inspections and construction

To remain dependable and be a vital source of information and support when needed (Housesafe Foundation)

To be independent in my reporting and expert knowledge and advice

To remain part of Training and Education within the construction and inspection industries (CPD points provider)

To stay updated with relevant information related to residential construction

To remain accredited in competency assessing within the consultancy profession and as a national trainer

Developing skillsets for Australian property inspectors and mobile document providers

Develop "Right First Time" mindset for Australian Volume Builders in Q&A Assessments

To use only Referenced Australian Standards in relevant Construction Codes (NCC)

#### **EDUCATION & TRAINING**

2024 - Oct 2024. MBA Seminar attendance on the National construction Code
 <u>Sept 2024</u>. Speaker at Canadian Home Inspectors Conference CAHPI
 Volume Builders Intel - New Zealand & Sydney
 Developing further strategies for 'Property Consultancy' & H&K Intel for Residential Project Builders in conjunction with the NCC and associated referenced Australian Standards

 2023 - Oct 2023. MBA Consultants Group Seminar - 'Defects' and 'Expert Witness discussions' MBA Builders Conference attendance

Prepping for 'Property Consultancy' with deletion of 'Pre-Purchase Building' due to industry frustration Oct 2023. - Obtained my QLD QBCC Builders License **No:15402601** Builder Open restricted to BCA Class 1a, 2, 4 and 10 for consultancy works in QLD

Re-Joined the MBA and the new 'MBA Consultancy Group'

July 2023. Attended QLD BDPS Annual Conference on Defects and Experts Codes of Conduct

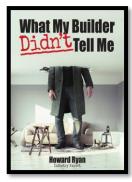
2022 - CPD Training for builders and home inspectors in NSW Sydney Metro areas and VIC Reviewed the draft 2023 NCC and obtained NCC Volume 2, 2022 edition March 2022. Back in New Zealand completing training that was covid disrupted in 2020





Wellington - New Zealand (March 2020 Covid interrupted) 2022 Oct 2022. Attended NSW ASBC Conference in Oct 2022

- 2021 5 Covid Vaccinations and some Boosters for <u>Covid 19</u> requirements (2021 and 2022)
   From January, Specific individual H&K Ryan Intel training to home inspectors and builders around Australia June/November. CPD requirements delivered for Housesafe Trainees
- 2020 March. Specific training courses for New Zealand home inspectors (Wellington and Auckland) Covid Vaccinated and (Triple Vaccinated 2022) Covid 19 building industry shut down April/May. Zoom conferencing with home inspection entities in the UK (Essex) and New York (Long Island) June/December. Housesafe Training Academy 1on1 individual training in the art of home inspections and issuing assignment assessments for their accreditations
- 2019 Dec. Communicating with the NSW Building Commissioner 'David Chandler' on issues relating to the Home Inspection and Construction industries and he advised me he is only doing NCC Classes 2-9 Published Author 'What my Builder Didn't Tell Me' Contract Law (Published Author, released worldwide) and now available to download for free at <a href="www.howardryan.com.au">www.howardryan.com.au</a> as well as 'Tradie's Bullshit'





Oct 2019. Individual training for home inspection entities in Houston Texas USA

Assistance in Emotional Intel for 'Safeguard Pest Management' training

<u>January</u>, Speaker at ASHI Conference American Society of Home Inspectors, Home Inspection Emotional Intel, San Diego, California USA

2018 - Inception of Housesafe Travelling Campus and Mobile report writing methodologies "Safeport" <u>August</u>, in talks with Federal and State Governments (Alex Hawke, Ray Williams and Luke Foley) in relation to the introduction of Home Inspection Licensing and qualifications (Regulation) <u>October</u>, talks with International entities over Qualifying International Construction Experts - Symposium NY

November, speaker at CAHPI Conference in Ottawa Canada on Inspection Intel, War Stories and Risks Mitigated and Diminished

Formed The Housesafe Foundation for Housesafe Trainees for Industry Support



<u>Assisted in Software Development:</u> Housesafe/Safeport & other enquiring entities on retainers <u>January</u>, Speaker at ASHI Conference American Association of Home Inspectors, Orlando Florida and symposium on the <u>5 Elements of Contract Law</u> and <u>Administration</u> in Nashville USA <u>March</u>, Auckland New Zealand, pre purchase home inspections and dispute resolution training, (Express)



<u>April</u>, Symposiums on Contract Acknowledgments and Dispute Mitigation, Singapore (city) and Tokyo, (Shinjuku) Japan

<u>August</u>, Symposiums speaker on Contract Admin and Dispute Resolution and Motivation, in Syracuse New York, Las Vegas and San Francisco, USA

October, Symposium on Dispute Resolution with FABI Florida Association of Building Inspectors and IB Inspector Brotherhood, Miami and talks with home inspectors in New York City, New York USA

2017 - <u>April</u>, Talks with American Association of Home Inspectors 'ASHI' in Chicago USA and symposium on "The 5 Elements of Contract Law" and Contract Admin, Nashville USA

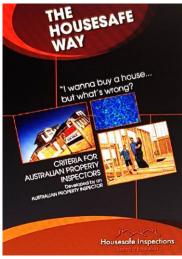
<u>July</u>, Speaker at FABI Florida Association of Property Inspectors, Fort Lauderdale and symposiums held in Las Vegas, USA

<u>September</u>, Speaker at CAHPI Conference, Canadian Association of Home and Property Inspectors, Contract Admin and Dispute Resolution, St Johns Newfoundland and Symposium with Home Inspectors on Contract Admin, Toronto Canada

November, Symposiums on Contract Admin and Dispute Resolution, ASHI Lone Star, Dallas Texas and in New York City, New York USA

- 2017 Re-joined the HIA, NSW (12 months only, left 2018)
- 2016 <u>July</u>, Auckland, New Zealand, pre purchase home inspections and dispute resolution training, (Express) USA, Canadian, New Zealand and Japan affiliations with training of their nation's property inspectors and brokers and ongoing specialist training packages for International Industry Associations

- 2015 Entry into the UK; Q&A Specialist for Project Builders, 1-man operators and their clients May, Auckland and Napier, New Zealand, pre purchase home inspections and dispute resolution training October, Internachi Conference, advisor at "Inspection Universe" Las Vegas USA
- 2014 Entry into the USA; First time Speaker at Builder and Home Inspector conferences and seminars
- 2013 Conducted Housesafe Global Academy Training at TAFE Parramatta NSW
- 2013 TAE40110 Training and Assessing Certification
- 2011 2013 Housesafe Training & Education continuing Nationwide and now with 'International' interest
- 2012 ASBC Vic Seminar Feb 2012 on Kitchen Vinyl finishing Victoria
- 2011 Author THE HOUSESAFE WAY, textbook for the home inspection industry



Free at www.howardryan.com.au

- 2011 Attended NSW IBC Seminar on Australian Standards
- 2011 Became an Accredited Cert 4 Trainer & Assessor TAA40104; Vocational Education & Training TAAENV401B; Design & Develop Learning Programs TAADES402B; Facilitate Individual Learning TAADEL403B; Facilitate Group Based Learning TAADEL402B; Assess Competence TAAASS402C and the inception of 'Housesafe Training Academy' Sydney NSW Australia
- 2011 Speaker at Institute of Conveyancers Seminar on property inspections
- 2010 Vic. "Australian Society Building Consultants" Seminar for Expert Witness & Scott Schedules
- 2008 Rapids Training, AS4349.1-2007 and AS4349.0-2007 Report Writing
- 2007 & 2013 (Workcover) OH&S Course and Induction and Revision Understanding 'Forensics in Construction' and 'Investigating Alleged Defects'
- 2007 Author Property Revolution Guide, available for Free at www.hnkryan.com





- 2007 Participant Sydney Law School Expert Witness Symposium
- 2007 (HIA) Contract Administration and Variation Administration
- 2007 to current "Building Dispute Practitioners Society" Tutorials in Victoria
- 2006 Attended (HIA) Home Building Act 1989 seminar/training
- 2006 & in 2008 Participant in "Andréones" Expert Forums
- 2006 Attended (HIA) Dispute Resolution
- 2004 Attended Rapids Training, AS:4349.1-1995 Report Writing
- 2004 & in 2007 Commercial Site Induction
- 2004 to 2010 Rapid Solutions Risk Conferences AS:4340.1-2007 (New Australian Standard)
- 2004 Speaker at Institute of Conveyancers Convention
- 2004 Expert Witness in Tribunal and Court districts
- 2004 NSW HIA Business Management
- 2002 & 2008 (Rapids Solutions) Pre-Purchase Report Writing and speaker at Rapid's National Conferences
- 2001 Inception of Housesafe Inspections Training and Education
- 2000 2008 Speaker at BNI Business Network International
- 2000 Volume Builders adviser and Inspector of disputes in continuance
- 1996, 2004 & 2007 (HIA) Building Code of Australia Course Classes 1 and 10 and 2-9
- 1986 1996 Residential Construction, 100's of new homes and of new additions
- 1982 & 1986 Business Management, Pre-Purchase Inspections beginnings
- 1975 1982 Subcontracted for various builders as a Carpenter and acknowledged this education
- 1974 Carpentry & Joinery Qualification and Apprenticeship completion
- 1968-70 Working casual in a Hardware store, a men's wear store and a Shell petrol station

#### **EXPERIENCE & KNOWLEDGE**

- Storm damage insurance claim assessments
- Forensic analysis into residential construction NCC compliance
- Property Consultant when purchasing to determine its current condition
- On-Line training experiences
- Court and Tribunal Expert Witness in many cases: HB 22/39992 GEN 23/15666 HB 23/21218 HB 23/40788 HB 23/23501 HB 22/50544 HB 22/56583 Vic County Court CI 23-02371 HB 22/36142 HB 23/13546 HB 20/50489 HB 21/08973 VCAT BP283/2019 HB 20/26790 HB 22/40798 GEN 19/42865 HB 21/47908 & HB 22/07131 HB 20/50226 HB 20/26737 HB 18/52682 to name just a few matters
- Claim interception for frivolous issues over non defective residential construction works
- "Business Review" consultant for all forms of Media ("You can't please everybody")
- Speaking at Home Inspection Conferences for ASHI and CAHPI and FABI (USA and Canada)
- International recognition for Training and Contract Law introduction into Inspection Agreements (USA, NZ, UK, CANADA, JAPAN & SINGAPORE)
- Attended ASHI Board meeting in relation to the Australian Inspection Standards
- International Affiliation with ASHI (Chicago and Texas), IB & FABI & WING (Florida) and CAHPI (Canada)
- Training & Assessing Pre-Purchase Building Inspectors and New Residential Construction Inspectors, Swimming Pool Safety Inspectors, Mould and Asbestos ID Inspectors and Experts to Tribunals and Courts nationwide (Housesafe Training Academy and Housesafe Travelling Campus)
- Speaking to home and property inspection entities about risks involved in New Zealand
- CEO: Housesafe Training Academy (Housesafe) Since 2011
- Advocate for Governments in relation to credible Licensing strategies for our industry (NOLA)
- Over 57 Years' Experience within the Building Industry (57 years STRONG)

- Past President and Executive Director of "Australian Property Owners Protection Association" An
  Association dedicated to protecting consumers and industry professionals in the property inspection and
  construction industries against bad practice.
- Run education 'H&K Ryan Intel Tutorials' for consumers, Volume Project Builder's Building & Property Inspectors and CTTT/NCAT experts.



- CEO: PPI, Pre-Purchase Inspectors Registry (National Registry) Since 2007 A Registry of Qualified and Insured Pest and Building Inspectors, Legal Entities and Property Consultants. <a href="www.pre-purchase.com.au">www.pre-purchase.com.au</a>
- Conducting Tutorials for New Residential Construction, New Construction Inspections and Pre-Purchase Inspections
- HIA and House & Garden Home Shows participant in NSW as an expert in the Inspection Industry
- Trade Shows for Residential Construction and Dispute Resolution
- Q&A Inspectors for New Residential Construction for volume builders
- Residential new Construction Inspections for Wall Framing and Roof Framing, NSW, QLD and VIC
- Residential new Construction Inspections for Handover Final PCI stages, NSW, QLD and VIC
- Residential Building and Construction Consultants (since 1984)
- Expert Witness for CTTT/NCAT/VCAT & other Court Jurisdictions
- Expert Reports and Scott Schedules and Quantum Meruit reporting Preparation (since 1992)
- Pre-Purchase Building Inspections in NSW, Vic, QLD, WA and SA (since 1984)
- Swimming Pool and Pool Barrier Safety Inspections (since 1994)
- Special Purpose Property Inspections
- Asbestos Identification Inspections (since 1988)
- Warranty, Compliance and Defect Inspections
- Home Warranty/Home Compensation Fund Insurance Inspections
- Termite Damage Assessments and Costs of Repairs and Rectification Works
- Contract and Project Builder New Construction Inspections
- Volume Builder Defect Liability Inspections
- Costing Analysis in Residential Construction
- Property Condition Reports & Property Site Drainage Assessments
- Mould Identification Inspections (since 1996)
- Insurance Company Damage Reports
- Quotations Prepared for Defects and Damage
- Dilapidation Inspections and Reports
- Assessment of Building Contracts, Planning and Residential Specifications
- Contract Administration

#### **GRANVILLE TAFE & EDUCATION**

1971-1973 Carpentry and Joinery (ref: 75/f1/15)
1974 Apprentice Certificate of Proficiency (ref: 72/8876)
Building Construction 1
Theory in Building Construction 1
Construction Plan Preparation
Specification Development and Drafting Drawings
MBA CPD Development - HIA Contracts

#### SKILLS & ABILITY

- H&K Ryan Intel training to residential project builders and their site supervisors and staff
- International Training and Individual Competency Assessing
- National Training and Group Competency Assessing
- Expert Witness in all Court and National State Tribunal districts
- Forensic investigations into residential construction compliance
- Defining defects in residential construction
- Mindset Skills
- Mould and Asbestos Identification
- Gathering Property Inspection and Consultancy Intelligence
- Intellectual Intel & Testimonial Intel
- Residential Construction of Floor Framing, Wall Framing and Roof Framing
- Fixing Carpentry and Staircase with Balustrade Construction
- Garage, Carport and Rural Shed Erection
- Concrete Works, Plastering, Bricklaying, Painting, Wall and Floor Tiling
- Landscaping
- Residential Site Surface Overflow Drainage specialist
- Retaining Walls, drainage, and waterproofing construction (designed by others)
- Bathrooms, Laundries, and Kitchen Renovations
- Contract Houses (Howard Ryan MBA Excellence in Housing winner in 1990 & in 1992)
- Contract Additions, Alterations and Renovations
- Fibreglass Swimming Pools, fences/barriers and filtration installation
- Pergolas, Decking, Steps, Railings and Awnings
- Restoration works
- Rectification works
- Heritage Restoration works (Brief History City of Sydney, Hotels and Pubs early in my career)
- Basic car mechanics 1970 and Hardware store stock-taking in 1968/69 (casual)

#### **ACHIEVEMENTS & TRIUMPHS**

- 2024 Acknowledged by volume builders as the go to consultant for NCC HnK Intel
- 2023 Obtained my QLD QBCC Builders License
- 2021/22/23 Awaiting release from Covid 19 so my businesses can continue internationally
- 2020 Author
- 2019 Conducted speaking engagements in USA for ASHI (American Society of Home Inspectors)
- 2018 Formed 'The Housesafe Foundation'

- Accredited Meth Test Kit Inspector, 'Decon Systems' New Zealand
- 2017- 2018 International speaking engagements USA and Canada
- 2016/17-18 International Recognition, Speaking and Training to other countries Home Inspectors
- 2017 Conducted symposiums on Mould & Asbestos ID for groups of Real Estate Agents in Victoria
- 2014 Conducted Residential Intelligence training for Project Builders of NSW
- 2014 Recognised by Standards Australia as a vital source of information (Thermal Imaging)
- 2013 International recognition for developing Residential Property Inspections Network
- 2012 Recognised by Wallace Risk for risk mitigation in report writing skills
- 2011 Became an active and Accredited Trainer & Assessor for Property and Construction Intelligence
- 2011 HOUSESAFE Training and Education in pre-purchase and other specialist property inspections
- 2011 Assisting consumers in understanding new construction Warranty and Maintenance periods
- 2011 Assisting Project Home Builders in assessing Warranty and Maintenance periods
- 2010 Recognised by Project Builders as a Quality Assurance Expert (Q&A)
- 2010 Recognised on "Homeone Forum" as an expert in New Construction Inspections
- 2009 Executive Director and previous President of the "Australian Property Owners Protection Association"
   (APOPA) a respected Association known for Protecting Consumers when Purchasing Property.
- 2009 Accredited Building Consultant & member with IBC Institute of Building Consultants NSW
- 2008 AON Insurance recognises my ability in the pre purchase building inspection report writing & risk management and mitigation
- 2008 Finalist in the "Hills Excellence in Business Awards" (PPI and H&K)
- 2006 Founder and CEO of the "Pre-Purchase Inspectors Registry" PPI a registry consisting of qualified, licenced and insured Pest and Building Inspectors
- 2002 Became an Expert Witness for CTTT, Local and District Court matters
- 1994 Pre-Purchase Building and Swimming Pool Barrier Inspections for over 12 Conveyancing companies, Lawyers and Solicitors
- 1992 MBA Housing Excellence award for "Contract Housing up to \$120,000-00 "Serene Haven"
- 1991 Howard Ryan was a winner of the Commonwealth Bank and Master Builders Association Housing Excellence Awards for "Contract Housing up to \$220,000-00 "Torygen Manor"
- 1989-2004 Life Membership as the founder of "Quakers Hill Pirates Baseball Club Inc." In 2007 the club is awarded the best Junior Baseball Club in Australia by the Australian Baseball Federation, ABF
- 1984 Swimming Pool installation and filtration
- 1984 Started property assessing, inspecting and dealing with consumers disputes
- 1982 obtained my Builders License
- From 1978 to 1982 gained recognition as a reliable, honest, qualified and Carpenter with various Contract
  Builders and homeowners as a licensed contractor
- 1975 to 1977 Carpentry & Joinery contractor and 1971 to 1974 Apprenticeship in Carpentry & Joinery
- 1970 Working in a Shell Garage and servicing small cars under supervision
- 1968 to 1970 Working in a Hardware store doing stock take



### MEMBERSHIPS (Past & Present)

Howard Ryan are Proud Members of:

■ American Society of Home Inspectors "ASHI" & "CAHPI" (Current Speaker at International Events)





# CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF HOME & PROPERTY INSPECTORS

CANADA'S VOICE OF THE HOME INSPECTION INDUSTRY

- Pre-Purchase Inspectors Registry PPI (A National Registry) "The Way of the Future"
- Building Dispute Practitioners Society "Victoria" BDPS "VIC" (2008-2018) (2019-2020 Covid slow down)
- HIA "NSW" (1992-2000 & 2017-2018)



- MBA & MBA Consultancy Group
- Australian Affiliation of Property Inspectors 'AAPI Strong & Mentoring Futures'
- WING Worldwide Inspectors Network Group (Since 2019) Administrator of the Australian chapter



#### **WEBSITES**

Websites and businesses developed by Howard James Ryan.

www.hnkryan.com

www.housesafetraining.com.au

www.howardryan.com.au ('What My Builder Didn't Tell Me' & 'Tradie's Bullshit') Available FREE

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