



Taylor Fry's

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Irreconcilably different



Tuesday, 18 November 2014

Never to shirk the big questions, GIS2014 opened asking: "Who will thrive in tomorrow's market?", "How much pie is too much pie?" and "Where are the desks?"

Estelle Pearson kicked off proceedings by channelling CEOs. Geoff Atkins then teased that "if I tell you what's in the report, I go to prison." Come on Geoff, you would look great in orange overalls! Besides, Michael Pascoe's experience is that "you meet a better class of person in jail".

Vicki Mullen introduced us to topless waiters, various body parts, brothels and tattoo parlours ("there's never a dull day at the Insurance Council"). Finally, Siddharth had delegates madly texting their brokers to SELL, SELL, SELL!

In other sessions we heard about:

- The insurance industry tomorrow – the answer, as it turns out, is tired and hung-over
- How oldies will be driving the future of insurance (presumably 15km/h below the speed limit)
- The elephant(s) in the room.

As the sun set, delegates let their hair down at the Gala Dinner. Except President Daniel, because he is bald.

And what about that Presidential dance? Not since Christie Brinkley and Billy Joel have such an odd pairing cut the rug (google it, kids).

Today starts with more Big Data. For the uninitiated, *Big Data* has magical properties – apparently you don't need to bother thinking about annoyances such as "sampling bias" and "statistical skills".

The afternoon session on actuarial offshoring should prove interesting as well. This session will be chaired remotely by the lowest bidder from www.freelancer.com.



Vicki Mullen: Is it legal? It absolutely depends



Nobody puts Estelle in a corner

Quote of the Day

"You'll never take my freedom"
(or something to that effect)

– Geoff Atkins





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A liability of actuaries

Congratulations to **Mark Ogilvie of Ace Insurance**. Please collect your bottle of wine from the girls at the registration desk.

- A lamentation A distribution
- A cumulative An assumption
- A range An excess
- A catastrophe A fat-tail
- An inflation A fractal

Anagrams

Can you unscramble these anagrams of presenter names? You'll find all of the solutions in your conference schedule. For example, who knew that Daniel Smith would *mishandle it*?

- No fake gifts
- Colonial nerds
- A salmon jumped roe
- The power cartels
- Anarchist home
- It's vermin homicide?
- Noisy clumps
- Unclean year
- Shake panties?
- Reach phallic towers
- Manlike beard
- Phone sweating?
- Looney, I hated
- Temper uniquely

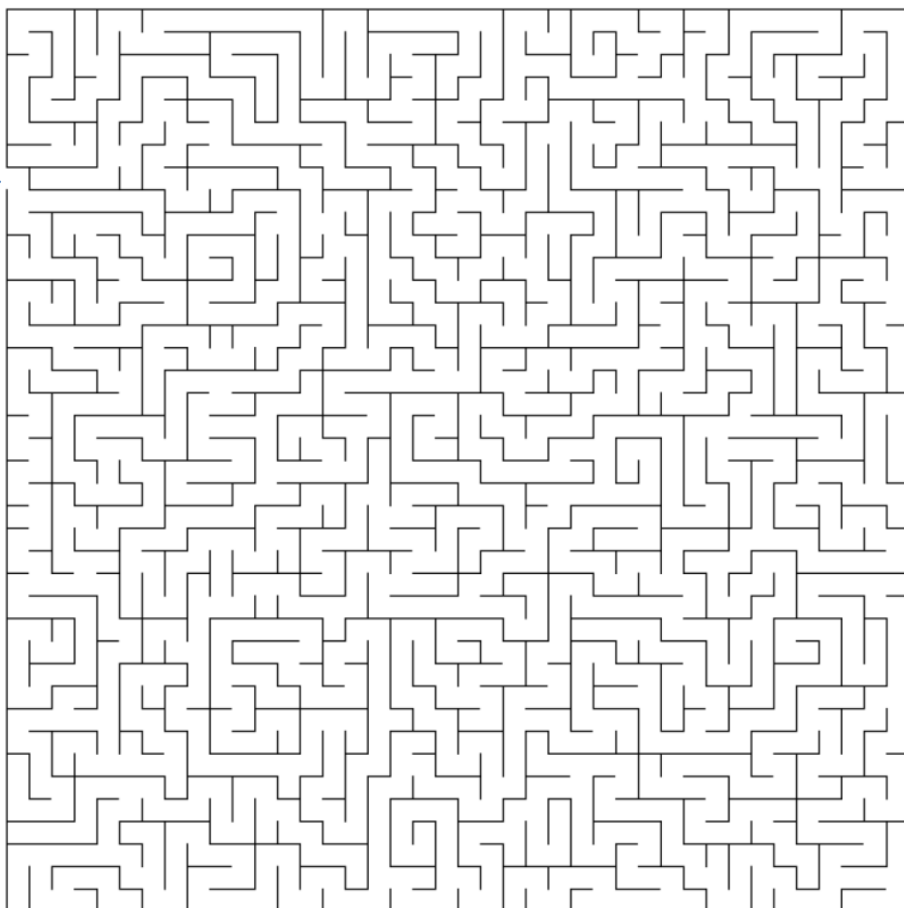


Bowel Cancer Australia

Susan "Dorothy" Cooney was glad she wore her Wizard of Oz ruby slippers because they proved to be the distinguishing factor between her and everyone else in the room (wearing black shoes). Susan has chosen the Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre as her chosen charity.

The Regulatory Maze

Can you navigate your way through the regulatory maze?



Taylor Fry at the Seminar



Hugh Miller



Julie Sims



Daniel Smith



Peter Mulquiney



Scott Duncan



Win-Li Toh



Kevin Gomes



Sharanjit Paddam



Ash Evans



Paul Driessen

When to catch us

10.55am Hugh

Comparing Software Options for Actuaries

11.40am Julie

Robotic Reserving – Are We There Yet?

2.00pm Peter and Hugh with Brett Riley and Tim Jeffrey

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