

Region 8 News Alistair Dabbs

Goals

To restart production of regular quarterly IEEE Region 8 News newsletter .

Points of Concern

Professional and personal challenges last year repeatedly brought newsletter work to a halt. Concerns over how to minimise on-page production work and keep costs low.

Issues published in last year

None.

Next planned issue

03-2020

Progress against goals since the last report

More time to commit to the role in 2020 and beyond.

Proposals for improvements

Refreshed Region 8 website might make the newsletter more accessible to IEEE members with a digital-only Spectrum subscription.

Other Issues to report

Several Section chairs have asked whether it might be possible to publish Region 8 News in languages other than English.

Finances

Currently printing and mailing through IEEE Piscataway office to minimise print and distribution costs. Design and layout production costs estimated at 100 per PDF page but trying to find cheaper quotes.