

West Australian Regional Committee NEWSLETTER



May 2017

The West Australian Regional Committee meets tri-monthly, the committee includes:

Dr John Martyr (Chair)
Dr Christine Grobler (Deputy)
Dr Scott Douglas (Deputy)
Dr Daniel Anderson
Dr Jennifer Bruce
Dr Dale Currigan
Dr Reena Hacking
Dr Bridget Hogan
Dr Merlin Nicholas
Dr Vanessa Percival
Dr Tania Rogerson
Dr Kate Wessels
Ms Melanie Roberts

Co-opted:

Dr Chris Cokis (Ex Officio)
Dr Alison Corbett (TAC)
Dr Gary Devine (Trainee)
Dr David Borshoff (ASA)
Dr Charlie Ho (CME)
Dr Rajiv Menon (FPM)
Dr Dave Janmatt (New Fellows)

Next meeting: June 27, 2017

WA Regional Committee update

The WA Regional Committee (WARC) met on March 14, 2017.

Strategic Planning - Dr Lindy Roberts, ANZCA Director of Professional Affairs, facilitated a discussion on ANZCA's strategic planning for 2018-2022, at our last meeting on March 14, 2017.

Simulation - A new simulation group has been formed to replace the now defunct ISL Committee. It will be known as the Western Australian Simulation in Healthcare Alliance (WASHA). It will be autonomous from the Department of Health and have a wider engagement than the DOH's Simulation Advisory Group, which has its representatives from five Government metropolitan health boards.

WASHA's roles will be in advocacy, research, networking and collaboration.

EMAC - Kevin Elks has stepped down from the role of EMAC Supervisor in WA, after 7 years. Steve Lamb has been elected to take his place. Kevin will continue as an EMAC Instructor. Thank you, Kevin, for all your hard work.

New Fellows Conference - Drs Scott Douglas and Dale Currigan will attend the New Fellows Conference in Gold Coast this month, ahead of the ASM.

Scholar Role - Dr Ed O'Loughlin has stepped down as the WA representative on the Scholar Role Subcommittee. Thank you, Ed, for your contribution. Dr Dale Currigan has volunteered to take on the role.

Upcoming meetings:

- ANZCA ASM Brisbane May 12-16, 2017
- Cable Beach (Broome) Country Conference June 16-18, 2017
- ASA NSC Perth Oct 7-10, 2017
- Autumn Scientific Meeting April 7, 2018

The West Australian Trainee Committee meets tri-monthly, the committee includes:

Dr Gary Devine (Chair)
Dr Simon Bradbeer
Dr Kevin Chan
Dr Suze Bruins
Dr Lisa Alarcon
Dr Tom Ryan
Dr Conor Day
Dr Scott Sargent
Dr Joseph Ong (Co-opted)
Dr Natalie Akl (ASA)
Dr Maya Calvert (ASA)
Ms Danni Wick

Next meeting: June 6, 2017

WA Anaesthetic Trainee Committee update

Welcome to the first news update of 2017. As Chair of the trainee committee along with Vice Chair Dr Simon Bradbeer, we would like to extend a warm welcome to the new trainees who have joined us this year. We'd also like to extend a vote of thanks to Dr Grace Ho, the past chair, for her outstanding contribution and leadership.

ANZCA 2018-2023 Strategic Planning - Dr Lindy Roberts conducted a workshop with the committee to identify issues important to WA trainees for the next College strategic plan. Key themes included the need to uphold the quality of the training program, workforce planning and future job prospects.

Training Position Updates - The trainee committee will follow the progress of the new obstetric heavy placements at JHC and FSH with interest and will be looking to compare these experiences with the previously routine six-month terms at KEMH.

We received very positive feedback from virtually all hospital sites early in the year. We strongly encourage you to let us know of any great initiatives or issues of concern via any committee member or direct to the Chair.

Medical Careers Expo - The Expo, held at UWA on the 4 April, saw an excellent turnout of prospective trainees. The ANZCA stand was one of the busiest and we sincerely thank those who volunteered their time.

2016 ANZCA Trainee Survey - The results point to a high level of satisfaction among trainees. Issues related to the experience of bullying amongst trainees have been noted by the College and work continues in this area. More of the survey results can be found in the March ANZCA bulletin. These surveys are a key reference for College planning, so we strongly urge you to take part in future.

Mentor Program - The voluntary mentorship program is again running pairing Introductory Trainees with Advanced Trainees. We hope to run another mentorship workshop this year.

Reminders - For those intending to sit the Final Examination in the first sitting in 2018, don't forget to sign up for the Part 2 Tutorial program commencing on 15 June. Please contact Danni Wick dwick@anzca.edu.au.

Congratulations to the recently successful Primary Examination candidates. We wish the best of luck to those sitting the Final VIVA Exams in Melbourne in May.

In the meantime, if there are any issues that you feel you would like us to address please do get in touch via wa@anzca.edu.au.

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