

West Australian Regional Committee NEWSLETTER



December 2018

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

Dr Christine Grobler (Chair)
Dr Dale Currigan (Deputy Chair)
Dr Jennifer Bruce
Dr Reena Hacking
Dr Bridget Hogan
Dr Merlin Nicholas
Dr Vanessa Percival
Dr Tania Rogerson
Dr Kate Wessels
Dr Nathan Curr
Dr Graeme Johnson
Ms Melanie Roberts

Co-opted:

Dr Chris Cokis (Ex Officio)
Dr Alison Corbett (TAC)
Dr Simon Bradbeer (Trainee)
Dr Phil Soet (ASA)
Dr Charlie Ho (CME)
Dr Michael Veltman (FPM)

Next meeting: 2019

WA Regional Committee update

The WARC Committee last met on October 16, 2018.

The Emerging Leaders Conference (ELC) is a three day meeting with the purpose of facilitating the development of leadership capabilities in those new fellows identified as being significant future contributors to our profession and the college. Additional aims are to foster current and/or future leaders in anaesthesia and pain medicine, to encourage new fellow engagement with ANZCA/FPM and to strengthen relationships between new fellows from different regions. The committee recently voted on the seven nominations to represent WA in Kuala Lumpur from April 26-28, 2019, congratulations to Dr Alan Ch'ng and Dr Joel Adams.

Dr Richard Riley has been named to the Society for Simulation in Healthcare Academy Class of 2019 Fellows. The Fellows were selected based on their outstanding and sustained contributions to the development of Simulation in Healthcare, congratulations to Dr Riley.

The Gilbert Troup Prize is awarded by ASA and ANZCA, to the student with the highest mark for the assessment in anaesthesia in the course for degree of Doctor. It was recently awarded to Dr Shannon Marantelli at University of Western Australia on Monday 6 August, 2018.

Congratulations to all the successful candidates in the recent primary exams, WA achieved a 100% viva pass rate.

The ASIST Workshop was held from November 29-30, 2018 at the ANZCA Office and facilitated by Lorna Hirsch. It was a two day interactive workshop in suicide first aid, ASIST teaches participants to recognise when someone may be at risk of suicide and work with them to support their safety. The workshop received great feedback and was a worthwhile course. The WA Office will offer further courses in 2019.

In 2019, the CME Committee will organise two continuing medical education conferences, the WA Autumn Scientific Meeting will be held at the University of Western Australia, on March 23, 2019. The ANZCA/ASA WA Country Conference will be held at Cable Beach Resort in Broome from June 14-16, 2019.

Thank you to all of the committee members, trainees and college fellows who have contributed to the many workshops and conferences held in Western Australia in 2018.

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

Dr Simon Bradbeer (Chair)
Dr Lisa Alarcon
Dr Kevin Chan
Dr Suze Bruins
Dr Archana Shrivathsa
Dr Tom Ryan
Dr Conor Day
Dr Joseph Ong
Dr Bojana Stepanovic
Dr Natalie Akl (ASATMG)
Dr Maya Calvert (ASATMG)
Ms Jodie Smith

Next meeting: 2019

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WA Anaesthetic Trainee Committee update

Seasons Greetings from the Trainee committee!

2018 has been a busy year, and I wanted to take this opportunity to give everyone an update on what the trainee committee has been up to over the last 12 months.

The 2nd Mentoring workshop was held recently, with great feedback from those who attended. If you have an interest in improving your mentoring skills, keep an eye out for further workshop dates in 2019.

Both Part 1 and 2 courses have undergone significant review over the last year, with positive changes for both programs set to commence in 2019. Coordinating and teaching these courses is a massive task, and on behalf of current and past candidates, I would like to once again thank everyone involved for their hard work and dedication.

The trainee survey wrapped up recently with positive results for the training program overall, as well as WA's performance compared to the rest of Australia and New Zealand. Areas of improvement identified by the survey are already being addressed by a number of ANZCA lead projects, including the recent changes to TPS and WBA improvement programs.

I'd also like to congratulate the successful candidates from the second sittings of the Primary and Fellowship exams, WA performed well in both with excellent pass rates overall.

Finally I'd like to welcome the members of the 2019 trainee committee including the new Chair Archana Shiravathsa and Deputy Chair Joseph Ong. It's great to see so much enthusiasm within the committee, and I'm sure they will achieve a lot over the next 12 months.

As always, if you have any training queries or concerns, the committee is here to help and can be contacted via the WA ANZCA regional office.



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