West Australian Regional Committee NEWSLETTER



September 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)

Next meeting: October 31, 2017

Dr Dave Janmatt (New Fellows)

WA Regional Committee update

The WA Regional Committee (WARC) met on August 29, 2017.

Ms Jo-Anne Chapman, General Manager of Policy, Safety and Quality attended the meeting with Mr John llott where the future of STP Funding was discussed in detail.

The Emerging Leaders Conference, formerly known as New Fellows Conference is being held in conjunction with the 2018 Annual Scientific Meeting at the Hydro Majestic, Blue Mountains from Friday 4 to Sunday 6 May, 2018. The theme for this conference is 'Working Together'. The Emerging Leaders Conference is consistently found to be an extremely worthwhile event by those who have attended. Fellows who have been granted their fellowship of the College or the Faculty of Pain Medicine within the previous five years, allowing for career disruption, are eligible to apply as an ELC delegate. It is a requirement that applicants must also attend the ASM if selected to attend the ELC. The closing date for applications is Friday October 27, 2017.

The Western Australian Simulation in Healthcare Alliance's (WASHA) purpose is to create an interprofessional community of practice that fosters collegiality, collaboration, networking and sharing amongst those engaged in simulation-based education and research across Western Australian health. WASHA will advocate for the use of simulation to improve patient safety across the healthcare system. Membership is free; to join contact wasimulationalliance@gmail.com.

The ANZCA WA AGM was held on July 27, 2017 at the ANZCA Office. Dr John Martyr provided an update on WARC activities. Dr Simon Maclaurin presented on the Anaesthetic Mortality Committee, Dr Simon Bradbeer presented on the Trainee Committee Activities and Dr David Borshoff presented on the ASA WA activities and the view for the future.

There has been high level agreement between RACS and ANZCA to cooperate in establishing a binational Australian and New Zealand Emergency Laparotomy Audit (ANZELA). It is hoped/planned that this would be an ongoing prospective quality improvement registry. An initial planning meeting/workshop was held on Thursday, 24 August, prior to the PELA Symposium.

We received good feedback from the inaugural Country Conference in Broome. Close to 70% of delegates completed the survey with the majority of delegates noting the conference should return to Broome. Thank you to all of the speakers who took the time and effort to present. The Autumn Scientific Meeting will be held at Joondalup Resort on April 7, 2018 and the Country Conference will be held at Pullman Resort, Bunker Bay from October 26-28, 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 Sargant

Dr Joseph Ong (Co-opted)

Dr Natalie Akl (ASA)

Dr Maya Calvert (ASA)

Ms Kirsty Culshaw

Next meeting: December 5, 2017

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WA Anaesthetic Trainee Committee update

Half way through the year already and lots to report!

EMAC course: The course will continue to be run at ECU. Just a reminder that if the EMAC course is taken during AT it will meet the ALS requirement for that training period. Proposed course dates: 15-17/11/17, 7-9/02/18, 10-12/04/18, 5-7-6/18. Please contact ECU for details.

ANZCA Trainee Survey 2017: The year's survey closed on 20th September. Many thanks to everyone who took the time to respond. Your feedback is highly valued and will help to identify and address any trainee issues both locally and in a College-wide capacity. Results of the survey will be released in due course.

Nerida Dilworth Prize: Congratulations to Dr Zaki Ibrahim on being awarded this year's prize. Zaki worked on a manikin study examining a new Cook staged-extubation kit.

Addition of service registrars to St John of God Midland Public Hospital: Midland has now expanded its trainee numbers to offer 8 registrar positions (3 ANZCA trainees, 1 provisional fellow and 4 service registrar positions). For those interested, the provisional fellow and service registrars are hired directly by the hospital via Mercury eRecruit.

Part 3 Course: This ever popular course, organised by our colleagues at the ASA and aimed at those coming to the end of their training, will be held this year at Fraserss Kings Park on the 18th November. To reserve your spot go to www.eiseverywhere.com/ereg/index.php?eventid=262349&

Exams: We would like to wish all trainees preparing for their primary or final exam vivas all the very best in the coming weeks!

Finally, as always, we want to know what works well and what needs improvement so please talk to the trainee contact at your local hospital or contact any of the committee members directly. If there issues locally or indeed in a wider context, we're here to help look into them.



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