

# West Australian Regional Committee NEWSLETTER



May 2016

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

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

Co-opted:

Dr David Borshoff  
Dr Max Majedi  
Dr Chris Cokis

Next meeting: May 24, 2016

## WA Regional Committee update

The WA Regional Committee (WARC) met on February 16, 2016.

Voting closed for the committee ballot papers on April 18, 2016. They have been counted and the results have been sent to Council for ratification. The committee consists of: Dr Jennifer Bruce, Dr John Martyr, Dr Christine Grobler, Dr Merlin Nicholas, Dr Dale Currigan, Dr Reena Hacking, Dr Bridget Hogan, Dr Tania Rogerson, Dr Kate Wessels, Dr Daniel Anderson, Dr Scott Douglas and Dr Vanessa Percival.

We thank these committee members for volunteering to be part of the committee and congratulate them on their successful nomination.

The ANZCA and ASA Autumn Scientific Meeting titled "Updates in Anaesthesia" was held on March 12 at the University Club, University of Western Australia. The meeting was attended by 157 delegates as well as 45 anaesthetic technicians and had 18 healthcare industry sponsors.

There were multiple concurrent workshops that made this event very attractive to the delegates. Anaesthetists spoke on perioperative medicine, CPET interpretation, post-dural puncture headache, mentoring, major haemorrhage and CICO.

Meetings and Events:

- ACOSH Council and Executive Meeting: May 19, 2016 at 5.30pm (Dr Nedra Vandriesen)
- Western Australian Regional Committee: May 24, 2016 at 7pm
- Medical and Dental Workforce Council: May 25, 2016 at 8am

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

Dr Grace Ho (Chair)  
Dr Gary Devine (Vice-Chair)  
Dr Simon Bradbeer  
Dr Lisa Alarcon  
Dr Scott Sargant  
Dr Paris Dove  
Dr Trevelyan Edwards  
Dr Bridgit Mathews  
Dr James Anderson  
Dr Tom Ryan

Next meeting: June 7, 2016

## WA Anaesthetic Trainee Committee update

The first training committee meeting of the year was held on the 22nd of March. Led by 2016 Chair, Dr Grace Ho, issues discussed included the Fiona Stanley Hospital and Fremantle Hospital merger; 'buddy system' and mentoring initiatives; and an update on recent and upcoming surveys.

Reports from training hospitals across Western Australia were once again generally positive. KEMH has proved a popular site for trainees with outstanding feedback. A brief regarding trainee experience at the new Midland hospital is pending and will be followed up at the next committee meeting. A survey will be conducted of consultants and registrars at FSH and FH in regards to the implications and management of the merger for trainees across the two sites. The training committee with GASACT are planning to extend the 'buddy system'. This may include offering mentoring workshops for registrars to upskill in this area.

Thank you to GASACT representatives Dr James Anderson, Dr Dennis Millard and Dr Tom Ryan for organising a successful end of year registrar function in Subiaco. It was an enjoyable night for all. We would like to extend a warm welcome to the trainees who have joined us this year, including new Introductory Trainee Representative Dr Emily Hamilton. Congratulations to Dr Gary Devine who has been nominated as Deputy Chair and congratulations to the recently successful Primary Examination candidates. We wish the best of luck to those sitting Final Examination.

The next trainee committee meeting will be held on Tuesday June 7.

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