

# MELBOURNE WINTER ANAESTHETIC MEETING

30-31 August 2025  
Sofitel Melbourne on Collins

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## PROGRAM

### SATURDAY 30 AUGUST 2025

#### Arthur Streeton Auditorium

8.30-8.40am	Welcome and introduction	Dr Adriana Bibbo and Dr Tabara Dione
SESSION 1: Perioperative medicine		Chair: Adriana Bibbo
8.40-11am	An update on perioperative management of GLP-1 receptor agonists	Professor Jonathan Shaw
	An approach to gastric ultrasound	Dr Harsh Dubey
	Neuaxial morphine for postoperative analgesia	Dr Emily Traer
	Bridging evidence and practice: Advancing collaborative strategies for hypothermia prevention and optimising ERAS outcomes	Professor David Sturgess
	Q&A panel	
10.30-11am	MORNING TEA	
SESSION 2: Innovation in medicine		Chair: Dr Grace Gunasegaram
11am-1pm	Back to the Future: How to implement point-of-care nitrous oxide	Dr Cas Woinarski
	Artificial intelligence in healthcare	Dr Jeff Urquhart
	Pressure field approach to haemodynamic management	Dr Steve Woodford
	Q&A panel	
	ANZCA Foundation – AMEARA/AMERS Awards	Professor David Story, Dr Peter Lowe and Robert Packer
	President updates from ANZCA and ASA	Professor David Story (ANZCA President) and Dr Vida Viliunas (ASA Vice President)
	Chair updates from ANZCA VRC and ASA Victoria	Dr Dean Dimovski (ANZCA VRC Chair) and Dr Grace Gunasegaram (ASA Victoria Chair)
1-2pm	LUNCH	

SESSION 3: Cultural safety		Chair: Tabara Dione
2–3.30pm	Cultural safety and CPD	Dr Debra Devonshire
	Obstetric weathering: Understanding the impact of social stressors on maternal health	Dr Carmen Brown
	A review of the readability of perioperative patient education materials	Dr Michael Berger
	Q&A panel	
3.30–4pm	AFTERNOON TEA	
SESSION 4: Practice evaluation Held in the Latrobe Ballroom		Chair: Dr Michelle Horne and Dr Genna Verbeek
4–5.30pm	Practice evaluation: small group M&M* Specifically opt-in on registration *Must come prepared to discuss a case	
5.30–6pm	AFTER MEETING DRINKS AND CANAPÉS	

Saturday night dinner – option to join for dinner at No35 Restaurant for an additional cost.

## SUNDAY 31 AUGUST 2025

**PLEASE NOTE:** The veterinary anaesthesia workshop is off-site at Werribee Zoo, and all other sessions are at Sofitel's Latrobe Ballroom and Level 35 meeting rooms as follows:

SESSION 1		
8.30-10.30am	Cardiovascular evaluation before non-cardiac surgery – an update East Tower Suite (Level 35 Boardroom)	Dr Earlene Silvapulle
9-10.30am	Obstetric haemorrhage West Tower Suites 1 and 2 (Level 35)	Dr Jennifer Dixon (lead facilitator) and Dr Nicole Sheridan
9-11am	Veterinary anaesthesia – a brief exploration Followed by a tour of the facilities to showcase monitoring, drugs, and machines for different species. Werribee Greencross Animal Hospital	Associate Professor Thierry Beths
10.30-11am	MORNING TEA	
SESSION 2		
11am-1pm	Advanced life support (ALS – cardiac) Latrobe Ballroom (Level 1)	Dr Amanda Baric (lead facilitator), Dr Michelle Chan, Dr Suzy Cook, Dr Jake Geertsema, Dr Michelle Horne, Dr Harry Marsh and Dr Ben Peake
11am-12.30pm	Anaphylaxis West Tower Suites 1 and 2 (Level 35)	Dr Tim McIver (lead facilitator), Dr Lucy Verco and Dr Kelly Jones
11am-1pm	Cardiovascular patients undergoing non-cardiac surgery East Tower Suite (Level 35 Boardroom)	Dr Hieu Lam and Dr Frank Schneider
12.30/1-1.30pm	LUNCH	
SESSION 3		
1.30-3pm	Anaphylaxis West Tower Suites 1 and 2 (Level 35)	Dr Tim McIver (lead facilitator), Dr Lucy Verco and Dr Kelly Jones
1.30-3pm	Practical paediatrics East Tower Suite (Level 35 Boardroom)	Dr Mari Kawamata and Dr Chris Holmes