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NEWSLETTER TO THE MEMBERS OF THE ACADEMY

Greetings to all Academy Members.

This newsletter is to inform you of the activities of the Academy since the July newsletter.

BIENNIAL MEETING 17TH TO 19TH JUNE 2010

Planning has progressed well for the next years biennial meeting. The membership attending the biennial meeting last year decided to return to the same venue, therefore next years meeting will again be at the Sofitel Werribee Park Mansion and Spa. The meeting is planned to commence at 11.00am on Thursday 17th and conclude at 12.15pm on Saturday 19th June 2010.

The Scientific Committee has worked with other Members of our Academy and organised the scientific programme for this meeting that is included with the newsletter. The themes are maxillofacial prosthetics, materials, graduate student presentations, education, TMD and orofacial pain, sleep apnoea, implant prosthodontics and the past and future. There will also be a solving clinical problems questions and answer session. I would like to thank all of the Members who have offered to help with the biennial meeting and those who have agreed to present. Thank you also to those Members that gave feedback on the scientific programme following its first announcement in the July newsletter. While the programme is now finalized, if anyone has any suggestions on content and/or speakers for the programme, please let me know so that the Scientific Committee can consider this.

Further details including the registration fee and social programme will be provided in the early part of next year. Anyone wishing to book accommodation at the Sofitel Werribee Park Mansion and Spa can call +61 (0) 3 9731 4000. The special meeting room rates per night are \$225 (Classic Room), \$305 (Superior Room) and \$375 (Suite). Please quote 'AANZP' to receive the meeting rate. This rate is available until 90 days before the meeting commences (around 19th March 2010).

THE ACADEMY WEBSITE - www.aanzp.org

A reminder that the Academy has a website that is hosted through the ADA. With this site available, we plan to communicate to Academy Members via mail and the website, for example, the scientific programme for the 2010 meeting has been added to the website. The website, which doesn't require a log-in, is good for posting reports, large documents and useful reference material which is accessible to all Members. Any questions regarding the website, please contact me.

Documents listed on the website include:

- Presidents report
- Secretary/Treasurers report

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- Education Committee report
- Standards Committee report
- Academy financial report
- Minutes of the 2008 AGM
- Constitution
- Peer Review of the University of Sydney external component of their post-graduate prosthodontic programme

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The Education Committee, with the help of a number of Members, is currently considering the following question related to undergraduate prosthodontics:

What should be in our undergraduate dental curriculum so that graduates should be competent in prosthodontics, and do the current curriculums meet these requirements and if not, what are the barriers?

The report will be discussed at a meeting of academic Members of the Academy representing the various Dental Schools prior to the biennial meeting and will be presented at the AGM.

STANDARDS COMMITTEE REPORT FROM JOHN LOCKE

Examinations

This year the following Members have assisted the Universities with trial or final examinations for the post-graduate prosthodontic students: Chris Evans, Neil Peppitt, Eric Tan, Phil Tan and Phil Yeung, at Melbourne University; Lindsay Richards and Christine Wallace will be assisting at Sydney University.

Accreditation

The ADC is carrying out its accreditation of all University courses in 2010. This will involve our Members visiting all schools that run a post-graduate programme in Prosthodontics (Adelaide, Melbourne and Sydney Universities) and assessing the programme against a set of guidelines. The visit will take two days on site with two members at each University and additional time to write a report to the ADC. Those Members involved in the accreditation are: Gerry Clausen, Ian Lander, Karl Lyons, Brad Shepherd, and Terry Walton. The Academy thanks all the Members for giving up their time and energy to assist the University and the Academy in maintaining the standards in Prosthodontics.

ADC Assessment of Overseas Trained Dental Specialists

In September 2009 Cosimo Maiolo represented the Academy at a meeting convened by the ADC to discuss the development of assessment pathways for overseas trained dental specialists. Representatives attended from all Australian Specialist Academies, all Australian Dental Boards, Otago University and the College. There is support from the key stake holders for a process of assessment to be put in place and this should operate on a National basis, run by the ADC using expert panels made up of individuals from Universities and relevant specialists Academies. There is interest from most of the Academies and most of the Universities to be a part of the assessment process. The ADC will now draft a proposal for a National assessment process that provides an additional pathway for overseas trained dental

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specialists to demonstrate their equivalence of standards. The Academy thanks Cos for attending the meeting on behalf of the Academy.

OFFICE BEARERS

A reminder of who your office bearers are:

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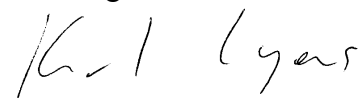
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If you have any questions or comments you would like to make on any Academy related activities or business, please don't hesitate to contact your region Councilor or myself.

Finally, I would like you wish you all the best for the upcoming festive season, a safe and enjoyable summer break and all the very best for 2010.

Kind regards



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