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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 December newsletter.

NEXT BIENNIAL MEETING 17TH TO 19TH JUNE 2010

Planning has progressed well for the next biennial meeting. The membership attending last years biennial meeting decided to return to the same venue, therefore the next meeting will again be at the Werribee Sofitel 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 that is included with this newsletter. The themes are maxillofacial prosthetics, dental materials, education, graduate student presentations, 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. 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.

MELBOURNE PROSTHODONTIC WORKSHOP

The following report on this workshop held in June 2009 has been provided, with thanks, from John Locke.

Prosthodontist in Melbourne held a workshop designed to be an open exchange for the sharing of problems and possible solutions in clinical prosthodontics. Thirty-seven local prosthodontists, that included 4 from South Australia and 2 from Western Australia, as well as 12 students from Adelaide and Melbourne, attended the workshop on Friday and Saturday 19th and 20th June 2009.

The key to the workshop was the sharing of clinical information. The format appeared successful, with 6 topics being discussed, including *Conventional Crown and Bridge Work*, *Implant Crown and Bridge*, *Problem Patients* and *Overlay Dentures*. The issues and problems associated with each topic were outlined in a 10 minute presentation and then discussed using a question and answer format between the audience/panel of 4 people and the 2 moderators, namely Gerry Clausen and John Locke.

The workshop included a dinner on the Friday evening and finished with a lunch on Saturday. We ran out of time for most of the topics, so there are still more issues to discuss in future programs.

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All in all, it was considered to be a good experience and the question and answer format allowed people to get to the real issues that concern them.

If any other prosthodontic groups want to use a similar format and they are looking for a program with ready-made questions, please do not hesitate in contacting John Locke.

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 proposed scientific programme for the 2010 meeting is to be 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
- 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 questions related to undergraduate and to postgraduate prosthodontics:

1. Undergraduate prosthodontics - What should be in our undergraduate dental curriculum so that graduates should be competent in prosthodontics, and for those involved in education, does your current curriculum meet these requirements and if not, what are the barriers?
2. Postgraduate prosthodontics - what do you think should be in our postgraduate prosthodontic programmes?

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

The Standards Committee is currently organising external examiners for trial and final postgraduate examinations and will also be involved with upcoming ADC Accreditation requests. Both John Locke (Chair of the Standards Committee) and I would like to thank the Members involved in these activities for helping the Academy, the Universities and the profession in these important roles.

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ICP

Iven Klineberg is currently Co-President of the International College of Prosthodontists and is busy at the moment with the upcoming ICP biennial meeting in Cape Town South Africa from 10th to 13th September. On behalf of the Academy I would like to congratulate Iven on being elected to this position in the ICP.

RACDS

The College currently has the following Academy Members on its Prosthodontic Board of Studies: Brad Shepherd and Karl Lyons. This Board has had a number of teleconferences this year considering applications for the MRACDS in Prosthodontics and I would like to thank Brad for giving his time to participate in these teleconferences.

OFFICE BEARERS

A reminder of who your office bearers are:

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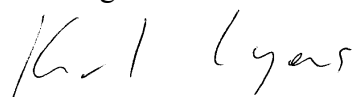
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NSW - Markijan Hupalo
NZ – Dusan Kuzmanovic
OLD - Anders Blomberg
SA - Cos Maiolo
VIC - John Locke
WA - Brendan Joyce

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 me or your region Councilor.

Finally, I would like to wish you all the very best for a safe, successful and enjoyable second half of 2009.

Kind regards



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