

Division:	Fellowship Engagement	Ref. No.	POL-3068
Department:	Victorian Regional Office		
Title:	GJ Royal Memorial Lecture		

1. PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy details the presentation of the Victorian Regional Committee G J Royal Memorial Lecture Award.

2. KEYWORDS

Geoffrey James Royal, GJ Royal Memorial Lecture, ASM Dinner, Victorian Regional Committee

3. BODY OF POLICY

3.1. Background

This is an annual Award, established in 1991, presented to the Principal Guest who is chosen to deliver the Lecture at the Victorian Regional Committee Annual Surgeons Meeting (ASM).

This Lecture is to honour the memory of Geoffrey James Royal (1939-1991), and to recognize his work with the College. Geoffrey James Royal was educated at Wesley College and the University of Melbourne, graduating in 1964 with many honours and prizes. Initially wanting to become an obstetrician, he subsequently turned to surgery, and received training at the hands of distinguished surgeons. He gained his FRACS in 1969, and moved to Geelong, where he joined the staff of the Geelong Hospital. Over the next twenty years he occupied most of the senior positions at the hospital, and was Supervisor of Surgical Training.

Mr Royal was a member of Victorian Regional (State) Committee for eight years and Chairman from 1988 to 1990. He was awarded the RACS Medal in 1990 in honour of his contributions to RACS.

He died in Geelong after a long illness in 1991, aged 51 years.

3.2. Selection

The G J Royal Memorial Lecture speaker is nominated by the ASM Convener and approved by the Victorian Regional Committee.

The nominated lecturer is usually a surgeon of high standing who has shown outstanding progressive thought through leadership, surgery or who has a strong College connection.

The Award is in the form of a Bronze Medal engraved and provided through the Victorian Regional Office

The Lecture and Award is presented during the ASM formal dinner.

4. ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS

Victorian Regional Office Awards Procedure.

Approver: Board of Regional Chairs

Authoriser: Council