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Provisional Program

59th Victorian Annual Surgical Meeting

Safety in Surgery

20–21 October 2017

Novotel Geelong

Victoria

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CONVENER INVITATION

Dear Colleagues,

I am delighted to invite all surgeons, trainees, junior doctors and medical students to the RACS 59th Victorian Annual Scientific Meeting.

This meeting is an opportunity for us to discuss issues of common interest, and for new ideas and research to be shared.

This year, the theme is Safety in Surgery- an ideal to which we all aspire. We will discuss how registries and audits can improve our practice, and explore the topical and contentious debate around what kinds of complex surgery should be done by generalists versus specialist units. We will hear from speakers who are introducing complex and innovative surgery to their hospitals to learn about their personal experience in overcoming these challenges.

We have two keynote speakers: Stephen Duckett, who authored the highly influential report on health safety in Victoria; and Stephen Bolsin, who has been at the forefront of advocacy for surgical audit and safety both locally and internationally.

These talks are sure to encourage lively debate, and the sessions have all been scheduled to allow active participation from the audience.

Prof. David Watters will present the annual GJ Royal Lecture at the dinner, which will be held at Cunningham Pier, where we can enjoy the beautiful views of Geelong across Corio Bay.

I look forward to seeing you at the Victorian ASM this year.

Warm regards,



Dr Douglas Stupart
FRACS
Co-Convener

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PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS & OVERVIEW

FRIDAY 20 OCTOBER 2017

- Foundation Skills for Surgical Educators Course

SATURDAY 21 OCTOBER 2017

- Keynote Speakers:
Dr Stephen Duckett
Mr Stephen Bolsin
- GJ Royal Dinner

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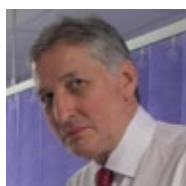
KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



Stephen Duckett

Dr Stephen Duckett has held top operational and policy leadership positions in health care in Australia and Canada, including as Secretary of what is now the Commonwealth Department of Health. He has a reputation for creativity, evidence-based innovation and reform in areas ranging from the introduction of activity-based funding for hospitals to new systems of accountability for the safety of hospital care. An economist, he is a Fellow of the Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia and of the Australian Academy of Health and Medical Science.

various ethics committees and sub-committees at Peninsula Health. He also has an interest in corporate governance, is a Graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors (GAICD) and is a director on the Board of Management at Gippsland Southern Health Service.



Stephen Bolsin

Stephen Bolsin graduated with BSc Hons (Anatomy) London in 1974 and MB, BS London in 1977. He became a fellow of the Royal College of Anaesthetists London in 1982. Bolsin became a Consultant Anaesthetist at the Bristol Royal Infirmary, The Bristol Eye Hospital England in 1989. He was the first National Audit Co-ordinator, Association of Cardiothoracic Anaesthetists of Great Britain & Ireland London England 1991 – 1996.

His work, and whistleblowing, in paediatric heart surgery in Bristol led to a fall in mortality rates for children's heart surgery from 30% to less than 5%.

From 1989 to 1995, Bolsin published numerous articles and chapters in textbooks relating to the provision of high quality cardiac services while he was a Consultant Anaesthetist at the Bristol Royal Infirmary. He also acted

as a Department of Health Committee member advising on the assessment of quality and performance in cardiac surgery in the UK from 1992 to 1995. Over the same period, Bolsin was a Department of Health Advisor on performance measurement and risk adjustment in cardiac surgery.

Bolsin moved to Australia and took up a senior appointment at the Geelong Hospital. In 1996, he became Director Department of Perioperative Medicine, Anaesthesia & Pain Management. In 1997, he became an Honorary Associate Professor Department of Pharmacology Faculty of Medicine University of Melbourne. In 2003 he became Honorary Adjunct Professor Department of Epidemiology & Preventive Medicine Monash University. In 2005 he was appointed Senior Principal Research Fellow & Honorary Associate Professor Department of Clinical & Biomedical Sciences Faculty of Medicine University of Melbourne.

He has collaborated with other academics in assisting other healthcare whistleblowers and has also promoted the idea of personalised digital recording of adverse incidents (including near-misses) as a means of improving healthcare quality by medical professionals, particularly those involved in anaesthesia and surgery. Bolsin has contributed to medical and ethical standards in the UK, Australia, New Zealand, Ireland, US and China by lecturing, publishing in the medical press, teaching medical students and developing innovative technology.



Nigel Broughton

Mr Nigel Broughton is an Orthopaedic Surgeon at Frankston Hospital specialising in hip and knee arthroplasty. He serves on the executive committee of the Victorian Branch of the AOA, the VRC of the College of Surgeons and the VASM management committee.

He has an interest in research governance and has served on



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PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

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FRIDAY 20 OCTOBER 2017

9:30am – 4:30pm
Foundation Skills for Surgical
Educators Course

SATURDAY 21 OCTOBER 2017

7:30am
Registrations Open

Session 1: Keynote Lecture

8:30am
Welcome

8:35am
Safety in Surgery in Victoria
Stephen Duckett

9:20am
Panel Discussion

9:30am
Free Papers

11:00am
Morning Tea with Industry

Session 2: Complex Surgery in Regional Centres

11:30am
Lung Cancer Surgery
Gavin Wright

11:45am
Starting a Liver Unit: From No Volume
to High Volume
Saleh Abbas

12:00pm
Robotic Prostatectomy
Paul Kearns

12:15pm
Panel Discussion

12:30pm
Lunch with Industry

Session 3: Safe Surgery- Best Evidence and Best Practice

1:30pm
Registries - Why Bother?
Richard Page

1:45pm
Knee Osteoarthritis - When Should
We Operate?
Alasdair Sutherland

2:00pm
Colonoscopic Surveillance -
Indications and Accreditation
Iain Skinner

2:15pm
Panel Discussion

2:30pm
Free Papers

2:45pm
Afternoon Tea with Industry

Session 4: Keynote Lecture

3:15pm
VASM's Top Clinical Priorities from
Audit Lessons Learned
Nigel Broughton

3:45pm
Unsafe Surgery - How do We
Recognise it and What Should We do
About it?
Stephen Bolsin

4:30pm
Panel Discussion

4:45pm
Meeting Close

5:30pm
GJ Royal Dinner
GJ Royal Lecture
David Watters

ABSTRACTS & PRIZES

ABSTRACTS

Submission Deadline

Tuesday 25 July 2017

Notification of Acceptance

Monday 7 August 2017

Abstracts are invited from Fellows, IMGs, Surgical Trainees and Medical Students. All abstracts are assessed by an academic panel of surgeons, with the strongest being chosen for oral and poster presentation. A panel of judges will assess all presentations at the ASM and prizes will be announced and awarded at the GJ Royal Dinner and Lecture to be held on the evening of Saturday 21 October.

Abstract guidelines are available on the ASM website (www.tinyurl.com/vicabs). These guidelines provide authors with suggestions and tips that can be utilised in the preparation of a quality, focused abstract.

Successful abstracts will be printed in the final program and then published online in the ANZ Journal of Surgery.

Please note that single case reports will not be accepted.

Abstracts must be submitted by the close of business on 25 July 2017 to be considered.

PRIZES

All prizes will be announced at the GJ Royal Dinner.

Prizes to be won are listed as follows:

2017 DR Leslie Prize

Best clinical registrar paper

2017 RC Bennett Prize

Best laboratory based research paper

2017 Medical Student Prize

Best presentation by a medical student

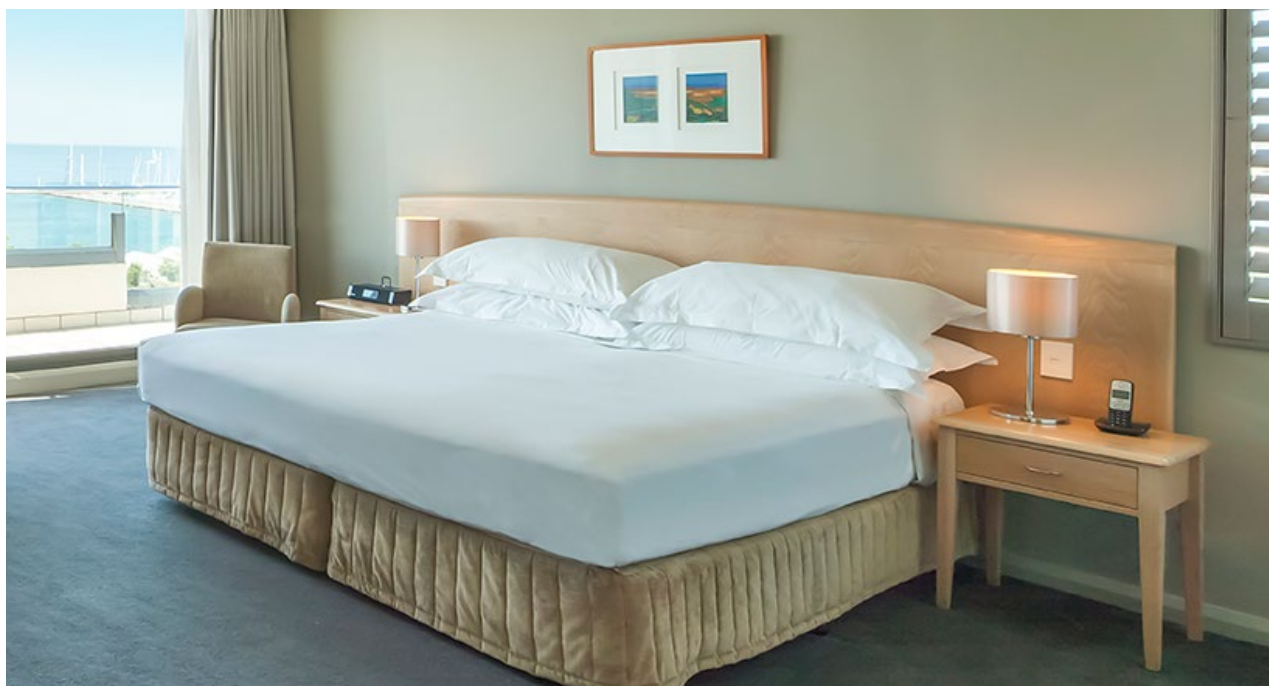
DCAS Scholarship

Best presentation appropriate to academic surgery

Best Poster Prize

Best poster presented

ACCOMMODATION



NOVOTEL GEELONG

10-14 Eastern Beach Road
Geelong, VIC 3220

Check in: 3:00pm

Check out: 11:00am

Located right on the waterfront, Novotel Geelong is the city's premier hotel. Meeting delegates can receive 10% off the best unrestricted rate of the day on room reservations.

The Waterfront Restaurant is open for buffet breakfast daily 6:30am – 10:00am; pre-book your breakfast with your accommodation for only \$20.00 per person (usually \$30.00).

Please note, Novotel Geelong cannot change existing bookings as these will have different booking conditions. This offer is only valid for new reservations made by emailing reservations@novotelgeelong.com.au or calling +61 3 5273 5757. All reservations are subject to availability at the time of reservation and it is recommended guests book early as the discount codes will close as the hotel approaches full capacity.

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PRE-MEETING WORKSHOP

FOUNDATION SKILLS FOR SURGICAL EDUCATORS COURSE

Friday 20 October 2017

9:00am – 4:30pm

Novotel Geelong, Victoria

Minimum: 10 participants/Maximum: 25 participants

Cost: Complimentary

The Foundation Skills for Surgical Educators is an introductory course to expand knowledge and skills in surgical teaching and education and is mandatory for surgeons involved in training and education. The aim of the course is to establish the basic standards expected of our surgical educators. The course will further develop knowledge in teaching and learning concepts and look at how these can be applied into the participants own teaching context. Participants will have the opportunity to reflect on their own personal strengths and weaknesses as an educator and explore how they are likely to influence their learners and the learning environment. By the end of the course participants will:

- Recognise the importance of educational theory and how it translates into practice
- Consider how to provide effective teaching, learning and assessment in different clinical settings
- Identify how to plan learning by using effective teaching, learning and assessment strategies

Further Information:

Register online at www.tinyurl.com/racsfssse

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GENERAL INFORMATION

VENUE

The meeting is being held at Novotel Geelong, 10-14 Eastern Beach Road, Geelong, Victoria, Australia 3220.

Distance to the venue:

From Avalon Airport: 21.6km, 25 minutes by car

From Melbourne CBD: 75km, 1 hour 5 minutes by car

From Geelong Station: 1km, 13 minute walk, 4 minutes by car

The scientific sessions and industry exhibition will be located in the Peninsula, Bellarine and Ceres Rooms.

For further information about the venue please visit www.novotelgeelong.com.au

REGISTRATION DESK

The registration desk will be located in the Flinders Boardroom, Novotel Geelong

Opening Hours are:

Saturday 21 October 2017
7:30am – 4:00pm

INDUSTRY EXHIBITION

All lunches, morning and afternoon teas will be served in the exhibition area, located in the Ceres Room, Novotel Geelong.

CANCELLATION POLICY

Cancellations must be received in writing by the meeting organiser to: college.asm@surgeons.org.

Cancellations received by Thursday 7 September 2017 will incur a 20% cancellation fee. Cancellations received after this date will not be refunded.

MEETING DINNER

Saturday 21 October
5:30pm – 11:30pm

Room: Limeburners/Peninsula
Novotel Geelong
Cost: \$95.00
Dress: Lounge Suit/ Cocktail dress

INTENTION TO PHOTOGRAPH

Please be advised that photographs may be taken during the meeting and reproduced by the meeting organiser. These photographs may be used for the following purposes:

- Projection onsite
- Reporting on the meeting in online and hard copy publications
- Marketing a future meeting, including online and hard copy publications

If you do not wish to be included in a photograph, please advise the photographer.

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (CPD) PROGRAM

This educational activity has been approved in the College's CPD Program. Fellows who participate can

claim one point per hour (maximum 7 points) in Maintenance of Clinical Knowledge and Skills towards 2017 CPD totals. CPD points will be automatically updated for all Fellows who have provided their RACS ID.

CAR PARKING

Conveniently located at the hotel, Novotel Geelong offers valet car parking. Novotel Geelong has limited car spaces available and recommends that day guests advise two weeks in advance if a car park is required. Please contact the Novotel for pricing.

SPECIAL DIETARY REQUIREMENTS

Please note that the venue is responsible for all catering at the meeting and RACS does not inspect or control food preparation areas or attempt to monitor ingredients used. You should contact the venue directly for all special dietary requirements during the meeting, irrespective of whether details have been provided to RACS. If RACS requests information about your dietary requirements for a specific event RACS will endeavour to forward the information provided to the venue (time permitting). RACS will not retain information provided for future events, so you must verify your requirements for each event. Even if information is requested or provided, RACS takes no responsibility for ensuring that the venue acknowledges your dietary requirements or that these requirements can be met. In all cases you must verify for yourself that your dietary requirements have been met and RACS refutes any and all liability for any failure to adequately provide your special dietary requirements or any consequential damage resulting from such failure.

DELEGATE REGISTRATION FORM

2017 RACS 59th Victorian Annual Surgical Meeting

20-21 October 2017, Novotel Geelong, Victoria



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All completed forms should be returned to:

VIC ASM 2017

Conferences & Events Department, Royal Australasian College of Surgeons,
250 - 290 Spring Street, East Melbourne, Victoria 3002, Australia.

Alternatively fax completed form to +61 3 9276 7431 or email college.asm@surgeons.org

Register Online at: www.tinyurl.com/VICASM17

Delegate Information

Title:	First Name:	Surname:
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Preferred Name (For Name Badge):

Postal Address:

City:	State:	Post Code:
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Telephone (professional)	Mobile
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Fax	Email
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RACS ID (If applicable): - Fellows will have their CPD points automatically allocated.	Special requirements (Dietary, mobility access etc)
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Please tick if you DO NOT wish your name and suburb to be circulated to delegates or industry.

Registration

(all prices are in Australian Dollars and include GST)

Please tick

Fellow Registration \$494.00

Trainee/IMG/Medical Student/Other Registration \$270.00

Official Function

(please indicate number of tickets required in box)

Number of tickets

Meeting Dinner \$95.00

Registration & Official Function Total (\$AUD)_____

Payment Options (Tax invoice emailed on receipt of registration)

Please tick

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Privacy Policy details can be viewed on the RACS website at <http://www.surgeons.org/disclaimerprivacy>

Cheque –
Made payable in Australian Dollars to Royal Australasian College of Surgeons – cheque must accompany this form

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Payment Instructions will be emailed to you upon processing of your registration.



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