

Presidents Report

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President's Report

Dear Members,

2011 draws to a close and we see our Association continuing to grow and prosper. Our current membership is at 166. This year has seen the creation of our first life member – the indefatigable Rob Padbury.

I would like to thank all our hard working council members for a very productive year.

We look forward to 2012 with some travelling fellowships. Many of you may be going to Paris for the IHPBA in early July. Abstracts for this meeting close next week and I would encourage all ANZHPBA members to support this meeting. For those who cannot get there, and even those who can, our annual meeting at Coolum November next year is focusing on “quality in HPB surgery”. This meeting should be the highlight of the year particularly seeing

as I will then hand over the reigns, as President, to Chris Christophi for the next three years of decisive leadership.

Congratulations also to all our Year 2 ANZHPBA Fellows who have passed their exams.

All the best for the festive season.

*Nick O'Rourke
President*



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Future Dates

2012

November 3 – 7
ANZHPBA Annual Meeting
Hyatt Regency, Coolum QLD



Secretariat

Please feel free to contact our Executive Officer, Leanne Rogers, should you have any queries.

Contact details are: 08 8278 1249 (phone), 08 8278 1249 (fax), or, anzhpba@gmail.com.

Postal address:

P.O. Box 374, Belair S.A. 5052

Membership

Current membership is 166

We welcome all our new members

Full membership is available for Medical practitioners with an interest in HPB surgery practice who hold FRACS or equivalent. Full members are entitled to full voting rights, and may stand for office. Associate membership is available to trainees or retired HPB surgeons, and other health professionals working in the area of HPB. Associate members do not have voting rights, and are unable to stand for office. A discount on membership fees is available to members who are also members of ANZGOSA. Please contact the Secretariat for an application for membership.



Website

www.anzhpba.com

As part of the new website we have a "Find a Surgeon" section. The aim of this is to have our ANZHPBA members listed.

If you would like to be included please email me the following information -

SURNAME
FIRST NAME (and title)
LOCATION
PHONE
WEBSITE.

We are happy to hear of any suggested improvements to the website

Financial Report

A full financial report and Treasurers' report was provided, and emailed, to all members at the AGM in 29th September, for the year ended 30th June 2011.

ANZHPBA continues to be in a good position. Industry Partners are secured in three year contracts and membership numbers continue to grow steadily.

We have now received deductible gift recipient "DGR" status through the Australian Taxation Office. ***The Association can now accept donations.***



HPB Journal

You will have been receiving your HPB journal as part of your ANZHPBA membership. If you are not receiving the journal please contact Leanne Rogers.

IHPBA members will receive \$50 discount on ANZHPBA membership instead of receiving a second HPB journal

Your adjusted fee will be -

Full membership \$250 - Adjusted fee \$200
Full membership (when a member of ANZHPBA and ANZGOSA) \$200 - Adjusted fee \$150



NEWS

ANZHPBA Hospital Unit Accreditation

We invite you to apply for ANZHPBA board recognition as a training centre.

The ANZHPBA Post Fellowship Training manual can be found on the ANZHPBA website. This document outlines the requirement to become a HPB training centre. .

Advertisements for potential 2013 Fellows will be placed in the 2012 February Surgical News and the ANZHPBA website. Interviews and ranking of Fellows will occur during early June 2012. A matching process, taking in to account Fellows preferences and unit requirements, will then take place. Ultimately accepting a Fellow will be at the discretion of the training unit.

Hospital Unit site inspections occur in July and Fellow offers occur from late June.

Please note that if a training unit requires accreditation for both HPB and Upper GI then separate applications will need to be made to both ANZHPBA and ANZGOSA.

Could each unit applying please submit a letter addressing each Hospital Unit criteria (document found on website) and nominate a future programme director (with contact details). All future communications will be to that director.

Applications should be either emailed or posted to:

Leanne Rogers
Executive Officer ANZHPBA
P.O. Box 374
Belair SA 5052
anzhpba@gmail.com

Post Fellowship Trainees Weekend

The 2011 Post Fellowship Trainees' Weekend was hosted this year by ANZGOSA at Mantra on Salt Beach, Kingscliff NSW, August 19 - 21. The weekend was exclusively sponsored by **Covidien**, and we thank Covidien for their Industry support.



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The weekend was a great success with positive comments received by all who attended. The weekend was made up of presentations, debate, and social events.

All 2011 ANZHPBA and ANZGOSA Fellows attended. As part of the two year Fellowship they are required to attend the Post Fellowship Trainees Weekend. A significant local faculty attended, as well as international visitor Professor Derek Alderson, Barling Professor of Surgery in Birmingham, who all provided very positive feedback and contribution.

New to the weekend this year was a “Meet the Professor” session. In an informal atmosphere, this was the opportunity for Fellows to speak with a senior colleague with an international reputation about all aspects of a surgical career in Foregut Surgery. This session received very positive feedback.

We were very pleased with the outcome of this event and next year’s Weekend, hosted by ANZHPBA, should prove to be again a very worthwhile weekend to attend.



New Life Member

We congratulate Dr Robert Padbury on his life membership to the Association.

Membership Renewals

ANZHPBA membership renewals for the period 1st January – 31st December 2011 are now due.

Membership Fees are (as follows) -

Full Membership \$250
Associate Membership \$125

Member of both ANZGOSA and ANZHPBA adjusted fee -

Full membership \$200
Associate membership \$100

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Post Fellowship Training in HPB Surgery 2013

Applications are invited from eligible Post Fellowship Trainees for training in HPB Surgery.

The ANZHPBA's Post Fellowship Training Program is for Hepatic-Pancreatic and Biliary surgeons. The program consists of two years education and training following completion of a general surgery fellowship. A portion of the program will include clinical research. A successful Fellowship in HPB surgery will involve satisfactory completion of the curriculum requirements, completion of research requirements, minimum of twenty four months clinical training, successful case load achievement, and assessment. Successful applicants will be assigned to an accredited hospital unit.

For further information please contact the Executive Officer at anzhpba@gmail.com

Applicants should submit a CV, an outline of career plans and nominate four references, one must be Head of Unit, (with email addresses and mobile phone numbers), to Leanne Rogers, Executive Officer ANZHPBA, P.O. Box 374, Belair S.A. 5052, or email anzhpba@gmail.com.

Applicants will need to be able to attend interviews which will be held early June 2012 in Melbourne.

Applications close 5pm, Friday March 23rd 2012

Merry Christmas

The ANZHPBA Board would like to wish all our members and their families a very merry Christmas and happy new year for 2012.



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Major Industry Partners



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