



SCLMA President's Message

Dr Roger Faint



By the time this article is read, the AGM held recently will be a thing of the past and the committee will have welcomed a few new members and long serving members will have retired.

I wish to acknowledge and thank Dr Mark De Wet (Secretary) and Dr Wayne Herdy (Vice President & AMAQ Councillor Representative) for their hard work and welcome support over the last four years. Their wealth of experience has made my work as President much more fruitful and enjoyable. The SCLMA as a whole will miss them. Wayne has been part of the SCLMA for 28 years!

I am enjoying my work as President and will continue for at least one more year and presume that someone younger will challenge me for the position in the future, which of course would be healthy for any organisation. I thank all members and the committee in advance for your support.

The first Gala Cocktail Party held at Peppers Resort, Noosa, was an impressive success for a significant variety of reasons including having the involvement of the very professional 'Wishlist'. It was a very satisfying and enlightening experience to associate with CEO, Lisa Rowe, and the Events & Fundraising Manager, Lisa Wilson. They both worked on the night and organised an event that was intimate and thoroughly enjoyable for the medical profession. I anticipate a successful and ongoing long term yearly event. A heart felt thank you.

The SCLMA looks to have raised almost \$15000 on the night which will go towards supporting vulnerable children who are fostered out on leaving Hospital.

I am very, no extremely, proud of the Sunshine Coast Medical Profession and associated friends who have contributed in this way to the Sunshine Coast Community. You can all be very proud also.

I would like to thank Dr Siavash Es'haghi for his inspiring speech regarding his escape from IRAQ, the Band M7 and those who donated towards the 'Doctors Wine Dozen'. I am hoping the 'Doctors Wine Dozen' will be a yearly custom.

In her editorial last month, Dr Kirsten Hoyle, our wise Newsletter Editor, pre-empted recent news that Private Health Insurance membership numbers were dropping significantly.

The proportion of the population who have basic Hospital cover is now 44.2% of the general population, the lowest level since 2007, with 27 000 people dropping their cover since March this year. Anecdotally Obstetricians and Colorectal Surgeons are noting significant alterations to their waiting lists and a crisis for private medicine is obviously approaching.

I encourage you all to read Kirsten's article from last month, which summarises this issue succinctly. (all past newsletters are on the SCLMA website).

Dr Roger K Faint



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- What would you like to see in the newsletter?
- Do you have some jokes we can publish (and not offend anyone!!).

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Editorial

Even the most cursory glance of the Queensland Government's website will let you find the statement that "Patients are treated on a clinical basis, meaning those with the most medically urgent needs are treated first." It is Medicare's edict that patients are triaged and treated on the basis of medical need above all else - such as ability to pay or health insurance status. However, the Australian public hospital system is becoming increasingly untrammelled in aprising patients why they are so keen to access their private health fund dollars.

The Royal Brisbane Hospital's website states, "By electing to use your private health insurance you assist to improve hospital facilities, purchase medical equipment and assist funding of independent research."

The Royal Adelaide Hospital's website proclaims, "The income we receive from your health fund helps to improve hospital facilities, update equipment and provide staff education and training."

Mike O'Connor, a journalist for Brisbane's Courier Mail, recently found himself in one of our public hospitals and recounts that once the decision was made to admit him, despite not yet having a ward bed, he was asked to sign over access to his private health insurance. When he enquired why, the clipboard lady replied that it was "to keep Queensland's hospitals free", the suggestion being that if he didn't sign, he would be contributing to the downfall of the free hospital system!

While I am sure that our readership will acknowledge the importance and necessity of maintaining and updating equipment as well as staff education and research, is not the Medicare levy to which all taxpayers are subject meant to cover such expenses? And if it does not, why do the State governments think they can just expropriate private funds, thus creating another tax on those who have chosen to self insure their health and in so doing, take pressure off an overburdened public health system? Not only is it pilfering by stealth, the degree to which it is utilised to help prop up our public hospitals is increasing every year and so, is clearly part of an unsustainable funding model, particularly as more and more people drop their private cover.

Further evidence of the government making flagrant and unfettered breaches of the principle that public hospital admission is meant to be based on clinical need, is the Australian Institute of Health

and Wellbeing's most recent data showing that on average, health fund members wait just 22 days for elective surgery in a public hospital, compared with 44 days for public patients. The AIHW also reported that, "The time within which 50 per cent of public patients were admitted...was longer for all of the 25 most common intended procedures." The latest data from 2017 attests that 8.4% of elective surgery in public hospitals was funded by private funds.



Why is the government allowed to continue unimpeded in how it partly funds the public health system when the consequences are so calamitous and crippling?

*Regards,
Kirsten*

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CLINICAL MEETINGS 2019:

Please note that these details are correct at time of printing! They may change! Check our website for latest updates. www.sclma.com.au
Click on Activities and Meetings.

THURSDAY 19 SEPTEMBER 2019

- Speaker: Dr James Moir
- Topic: 'Genetic Dilemmas in 2019'
- Speaker: Dr Petra Ladwig
- Topic: 'Managing Fertility in General Practice (Female & Male Infertility)
- Sponsor: Qld Fertility Group

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HEALTH SERVICE LINK - AUGUST 2019

Planning For our Future

We're embarking on the development of our SCHHS Master Clinical Service Plan 2020-2030, which will provide the blueprint for public healthcare services to be delivered to our growing community over the next 10 years. In addition to comprehensive analytics, we are very keen to incorporate feedback from key partners and community and have established a Stakeholder Reference Group. This will involve colleagues from the health industry, local government, Universities and community groups to create a shared understanding of the challenges and opportunities relevant to the planning and delivery of responsive, high-quality public healthcare over the next 10 years. I'm very pleased that SCLMA have accepted our invitation to be part of this collaboration.



Photo dermatology clinic

Our Dermatology team noticed that many of the referrals we receive could be enhanced with a photograph of the affected area. Attaching a photo to a referral enables them to conduct a chart review-type appointment, enabling a management plan letter to be sent to the GP until an appointment can be scheduled. In some instances, an appointment may not be necessary at all!

Our Photo Dermatology Clinic runs on a weekly basis with the specialist Consultant and our junior medical staff.

We invite you to forward photos to us to be appraised with your patient's existing referral. For new referrals we are asking that a photo accompany the referral. If you don't have a camera or the software to attach photos there is a process for the patients to go to Nambour General Hospital, and soon Gympie Hospital, to have them taken.

Given the significant demand for this service, our aim is to improve access to timely care and advice for many patients whilst awaiting their specialist outpatient appointment. Referral information is available on HealthPathways.

Our Caloundra Minor Injury and Illness Clinic Is Opening Earlier

We have decided to open earlier at our very popular Minor Injury and Illness Clinic (MIIC) at Caloundra Health Service to better meet the needs of our patients. This means it will open from 8am – 8pm, rather than the current 9 am to 9pm.

Dr Sandra Peters, Clinical Director at MIIC is very proud of her team at the clinic, who treat patients with conditions such as fever, coughs, colds earache, toothache, minor eye issues, broken bones, minor cuts, burns, scalds, infections, rashes, sprains and strains. Since opening in 2017, this Clinic has treated more than 20,000 patients, meaning significantly less patients are accessing busy emergency departments for non-life threatening treatment.

Patients who require non-urgent treatment outside of the MIIC's opening hours should contact their GPs afterhours service or call 13 HEALTH (13 43 25 84). This is a free 24-hour hotline offering professional health advice.

Queensland Health Oral Health Service

We promoted Dental Health Week in August and launched the Sunshine Coast and Gympie Dental Health Pathways, which was developed to assist GPs in managing and referring dental problems. Resources now include the management of dental trauma, toothache and bleeding gums. Helpful links explain Queensland Health's eligibility criteria and are available to assist in the referral of patients to the service.

HEALTH SERVICE LINK - AUGUST 2019 /cont:

Patients can self-refer by telephoning the Oral Health Call Centre on 1300 850 300. Referrals will also be accepted for patients whose medical conditions are impacting upon their oral health. Please send referrals to sc-oralhealthcallcentre@health.qld.gov.au.

More information about the Oral Health service can be found at Queensland Health's website.

Choosing Wisely

We held the first of our facility wide health and wellbeing days with health stations, health activities and presentations for our team. At the event two of our Choosing Wisely champions, Dr Michelle Johnston, SCHHS GP Liaison Officer, and Dr Jon Harper, PHN GP Liaison Officer, shared the Choosing Wisely message – if you haven't heard about the national health initiative there is information on Health Pathways or on our website [here](#). We would like to take the opportunity to thank all those who assisted with this event, it was a true demonstration of collaboration and our staff feedback was outstanding.



Our Busy Hospitals

We are seeing increasing numbers of patients needing care across our health service, and our teams are doing a great job of responding to this. This includes our colleagues at Noosa Hospital, which is operated by Ramsay Healthcare, and provides care to public patients under a long-standing contract. You might be interested to know that on average, 53 patients per day present to the Noosa Hospital emergency department, of whom 14 public patients require an inpatient hospital admission. A small number of these patients (an average of 3) require transfer to another facility. If a patient requires elective surgery that is within scope of the services delivered at Noosa Hospital, they will continue to be able to receive their end to end treatment at Noosa Hospital.

Our Chief Medical Officer

It has been such a privilege to have Dr Andrew Hallahan with SCHHS this year, and expectedly, the Queensland Children's Hospital and Health Service is beckoning his planned return to the critical role he holds with them as their Executive Director Medical Services. In the time Andrew has been with us he has made an outstanding contribution not only to this organisation, but to the local health community. It is great to have such a positive connection with Andrew for current and future planning of our child and adolescent services.

I am very pleased to share with you that eminent Paediatric Surgeon, Dr Deborah Bailey will join us later this month. Deborah has an exceptional clinical reputation, strong leadership and clinical governance expertise and great background and experience to bring to this role.

Until next time.

Naomi

Adj. Prof Naomi Dwyer, Chief Executive, SCHHS



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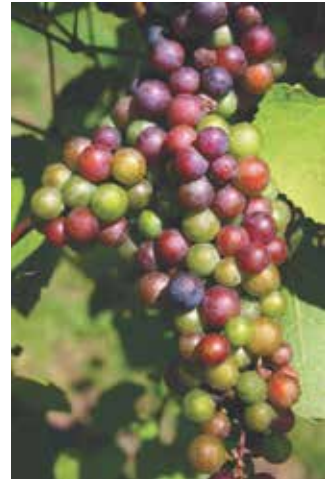
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***THANK YOU to all who attended
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Thank you to the M7 Band!
Watch this space for our 2020 Event!***

***Thank you Roger for organising the
'Doctors' Dozen'!***

***Fine wine and champagne from:
Drs Peter Welsh, Grant Eddie, Trevor Beall,
Mark Welsh, John Hansen, Paul Woodgate,
Roger Faint, Michael Ryan, Peter Ruscoe
and Tau Boga (champagne)!
To be repeated in 2020!!***



Thank you

A big thank you to all of those who attended the RACGP
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Collaboration and teamwork are key to Sports & Spinal
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Special thank you to the exceptional speakers:

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Dr Karnie Falk (Radiologist)
Dr Daevyd Rodda (Ortho)
Dr Paul Frank (Pain)
Dr James Tunggal (Ortho)

Narrator Dr Rob Park
Dr Matthew Dwyer
Travis Schultz
Dr Roger Faint
Sports & Spinal Physiotherapists & Staff members

See you next year!!





BUDERIM PRIVATE HOSPITAL

August 2019

PRIVATE EMERGENCY CENTRE CELEBRATES FIRST ANNIVERSARY

The Buderim Private Hospital Emergency Centre celebrated its first anniversary on Thursday 22 August.

A first for the Sunshine Coast, the private Emergency Centre has treated over 5000 patients in its \$3 million facility onsite at Buderim Private Hospital.

Karen Clark, General Manager of Buderim Private Hospital, said the service has been well supported by the Sunshine Coast community.

"Patient feedback has consistently confirmed that our Emergency Centre has been able to deliver on our promise of providing specialist emergency care by experienced doctors with little to no wait time," Mrs Clark said.

Whether it's a sudden accident, illness, injury or pain, the Buderim Private Hospital Emergency Centre is available to patients of all ages, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Dr Michael Natale, Medical Director of the Emergency Centre, said the Emergency Centre has treated the young and old, from injuries on the sport field to chest pain and palpitations, and accidents at home or in the workplace.

"Every emergency is important and we are able to assist anyone with time-critical medical issues and provide high quality treatment and care," Dr Natale said.

The Emergency Centre presentation fee is inclusive of the specialist consultation as well as the necessary X-rays and blood tests.

Concession rates are available, including for children under the age of 17, and there are no out-of-pocket fees for eligible DVA and WorkCover patients.



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It is a pleasure to be able to update the SCLMA on the services and developments at the Sunshine Coast University Private Hospital.

Two hundred up!

SCUPH recently completed its 200th cardiac surgical case which is another milestone for both the hospital and Sunshine Coast. We are also delighted to welcome Dr Graeme Hart, Cardio-Thoracic Surgeon, who joins his surgical colleague, Dr Robert Tam, in servicing our cardio-thoracic patients. Graeme is a highly experienced surgeon who is a great asset to the hospital and the Sunshine Coast.

E.B.U.S. service commences

Endobronchial ultrasound (EBUS) is well recognised as an essential tool in the diagnosis of lung cancer and other malignant and benign pulmonary conditions. This minimally invasive procedure is now available for patients to access locally at Sunshine Coast University Private Hospital and has been roundly welcomed by our Respiratory Physicians.

GP Education

Another highly successful education evening titled "Joint Ventures" was held at the Mooloolaba Surf Club earlier this month. Dr Michael Bryant (Neurosurgery); Dr Allan Clarke and Dr Frank Connon (Orthopaedics) together with Dr James Challen (Diagnostic Imaging) ran an engaging evening which received good reviews from the attending GPs.

Save the date for our final education evening of the calendar year which will be held on 13th November at the Rumba Resort, Caloundra. Our focus for this education evening will be Gynaecology.

Positive feedback on Discharge Summaries

GPs are sent a discharge summary for their patients treated at SCUPH, with over 99% arriving within 24 hours of discharge. We have received valuable feedback that the quality and timing of these summaries greatly assist local GPs with the ongoing care and management of their patients. Thank you.

Oli Steele
 CEO SCUPH
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Sunshine Coast

Hospital and Health Service

Media statement

1 August 2019

Caloundra's Minor Injury and Illness Clinic opening earlier

From 12 August 2019, the Minor Injury and Illness Clinic (MIIC) at Caloundra Health Service, will open one hour earlier to meet patient need.

The MIIC opened in March 2017 and is designed to treat patients whose needs are non-life threatening. The team at the clinic treat patients with conditions such as fever, coughs, colds, earache, toothache, minor eye issues, broken bones, minor cuts, burns, scalds, infections, rashes, sprains and strains.

Clinical Director of MIIC, Dr Sandra Peters said: "Since opening in 2017, our Minor Injury and Illness Clinic has treated more than 20,000 patients, meaning significantly fewer patients are accessing busy emergency departments for non-life threatening treatment.

"What we have noticed, is the need to slightly change our opening hours to better meet the needs of our patients. Our patients were arriving well before the previous opening time of 9am and having to wait for care, so we will now be opening an hour earlier.

"It's also been noted that between 8pm and 9pm, the clinic was treating fewer than one patient in this time. In response to this, to maximise our patient care, the MIIC operating hours will change on **12 August to 8am to 8pm, seven days a week**," Dr Peters said.

The skilled staff at the MIIC will continue to provide assessment, intervention and appropriate referral where required for the treatment of non-life threatening illness and/ or injuries.

Patients who require non-urgent treatment outside of the MIIC's opening hours should contact their GPs afterhours service or call 13 HEALTH (13 43 25 84). This is a free 24-hour hotline offering professional health advice.

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Warm Regards,

Antony Winkel & Tony Tampiyappa
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Charles Malpas

Charles currently holds clinical appointments at the Alfred Hospital and the Royal Melbourne Hospital. He is highly experienced in the diagnosis of neurodegenerative disorders and has conducted extensive research in Alzheimer's disease, frontotemporal dementia, and related disorders. He is also specialised in the diagnosis of cognitive impairment secondary to epilepsy and related disorders.



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Using Lived Experience to add value to Patient Care

Over the course of a lifetime, 1 in 4 people, regardless of socio-economic status, will experience mental distress or a mental health issue.

With that in mind, Central Queensland, Wide Bay, Sunshine Coast PHN recently appointed John Clayton, a specialist in the mental health field, as its first Lived Experience Coordinator.

The notion of Lived Experience is exactly as it sounds – a broad term used to describe the sharing of similar experiences in order to support someone in distress.

John says using Lived Experience as a communication tool when treating patients with depression can be very powerful due to the degree of stigma which still exists around acknowledging mental health struggles.

“It’s common practice to separate clinical expertise and the experience of a clinician, but there’s a body of research around the person-centered approach that shows there’s value in sharing experience,” says John.

Alcoholics Anonymous was the original pioneer of using Lived Experience as a mode of intervention, but the idea has long since surpassed simply support for addiction and can be applied across physical as well as mental health challenges.

In this new role, John, who was the coordinator of the Partners in Recovery (PIR) program prior to taking on the Lived Experience role, will support the co-design of mental health programs during the commissioning process.

He recognises that while some health professionals might be reluctant, there are plenty of safe ways to share experiences in a way that is helpful to patients.

“While first-hand experience is most effective, the reflection doesn’t necessarily have to be one’s own, it might be a friend’s experience, or that of a family member. It’s about acknowledging that people struggle, and helps humanise and create a therapeutic alliance,” said John.

John also recently took part in the Queensland Mental Health Commission’s focus group to inform the Lived Experience Workforce Framework.

The framework is a list of quality factors; a kind of checklist for organisations or employers to ensure they have a workplace committed to supporting shared experience.

It’s a great document to reflect on the existing policies of a workplace, and consider whether, for example, the HR policy supports the value of experience.

“To quote straight from the document: ‘All employees benefit from policies that acknowledge mental health as part of any person’s life.’”

The framework will be an opt-in model, and is still in development, but will likely be completed by the end of the year.



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A new platform for members

AMA Queensland will soon be launching a member platform for real-time, online peer-to-peer discussions with your colleagues. It will be a place to discuss and debate issues affecting you, your practice, patients and the health system, along with other practical advice from our partners and team eg. general finance, insurance, legal and workplace relations matters. We will keep you abreast of progress with the platform development.

Member survey findings: Your three top issues

AMA Queensland recently conducted two member surveys asking our Private non-GPs Specialist and ED Physicians members to rank the urgent issues confronting them and the key issues they wanted us to take forward in 2019.

These questions yielded a variety of responses.

Our Private Specialists said their main concern was the MBS fee review and the enormous effect it may have on private physician fees and the ability to see inpatients, with the private health fund rebates for private operation not covering patients' costs to access private care being their second top priority.

Other issues included:

- Continual increasing costs of maintaining private practice without increasing patient gaps
- Public/private health dysfunction

Our ED Physician members identified extra funding and resources for staff to allow workable rosters and reasonable working hours as one of their top priorities. This reflects doctors' long-held concerns about the lack of staffing in hospitals, the high workload, and the significant levels of responsibility placed on hospital doctors.

Other key issues emerging from the ED Physician survey included overcrowding, insufficient ED beds and bed block causing ED beds to be occupied by accepted and admitted patients. AMA Queensland and ACEM representatives will be heading to Cairns at the end of August to discuss ED physician issues. We will report back to members after that meeting.

Both survey results painted a picture of a struggling system being held together by hard-working and dedicated doctors, both in the private and in the public health system. These responses show that there is much more work to be done to improve the health of our medical workplaces and their culture.

We thank you all for your feedback. We are already working on a number of responses to these issues and it is reassuring to know we are on the right track.

New Workplace Relations Advisory Package

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We are also pleased to announce the launch of our **Practice Manager Affiliate (PMA)**.

We will be launching WRAP and PMA at this year's AMAQ Private Practice Medico-Legal Conference, on 30 -31 August in Brisbane.

We encourage you to come along to the conference and take the opportunity to speak with our workplace relations team about the new WRAP services.

Voluntary Assisted Dying in Queensland

In July, AMA Queensland President Dr Dilip Dhupelia and Dr Chris Moy, Head of AMA Ethics and Medico-Legal Committee gave evidence to a Queensland Government Inquiry reinforcing AMA Queensland's opposition to Euthanasia and Voluntary Assisted Dying (VAD).

AMA Queensland made the following points:

- The Queensland Government needs to fully fund and support a comprehensive Palliative Care Program in Queensland before VAD is considered.
- The decision to introduce VAD in Queensland is ultimately one which needs to be made by governments and the community.
- Should the state government legalise Voluntary Assisted Dying in Queensland, AMA Queensland believes the medical profession needs to be involved in developing the relevant legislation and guidelines to ensure appropriate safeguards are in place.

You can read AMA Queensland's submission at www.amaq.com.au/advocacy.

If you have any issues you feel need AMA Queensland's attention, please send us your thoughts directly via membership@amaq.com.au.

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Is it just me, or does everyone have unexpected glitches when they hire a car?



I'm totally over having my credit card charged after my trip for items that I dispute so I usually go ahead and buy that insurance which lets me just leave the keys after the hire and head off with no nasty surprises.

The only problem with this approach is that the insurance invariably costs more than the car hire.

And before I stray from the cost of the car itself I'd like to point out that I do understand why a Location Fee and Card Fee are charged, but I certainly don't know what a Registration Fee or Contract Fee are for.

With an eye for a good deal I noticed that small cars like a Hyundai Accent cost about \$287 for seven days with unlimited kilometres.

But I would be away for a whole week and a roomier vehicle with lots of luggage space was probably going to be a more practical option.

So I drifted up in price to a mid-size SUV.

The going rate seemed to be about \$440 for a larger vehicle like a Toyota Kluger.

It didn't seem to matter which comparison web-site I searched through because after all the vehicle would still be hired from the hirer (Hertz, Avis, Budget, Europcar, Thrifty, Enterprise etc).

I thought I'd hit the jackpot when I saw a web-site that sounded a lot like "Vroom, Vroom" which had an intermediate SUV Subaru Forester (or similar) for \$240.

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Eager not to miss out I hastily made a booking, but I was then offered that add-on called insurance.

You see when you hire a vehicle they all come with some form of comprehensive insurance.

For the particular vehicle that I'd hired the default excess was the princely sum of \$3,850 dollars, "ouch".

But the hirer's web-site said that I could reduce that excess to \$600 with a Collision Damage Waiver fee by paying an extra \$25 per day.

On the hirer's web-site there was no zero excess option offered.

The CDW fee also included another fee, the Administration Fee.

Hang on, that's another \$175 for seven days which is getting close to the cost of the hire itself, and I still might be up for a \$600 charge on my credit card for someone else's scratch.

I switched back to the web-site that sounded like "Vroom, Vroom" and was pleasantly surprised that they offered insurance that would reduce my excess to zero for \$142.

That sounded like a good deal and was even better than the hirer's offer without the problem of an unexpected credit card charge, so I snapped it up.

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Eye's watering I realized once again that that was a lot more than the cost of the hire car.



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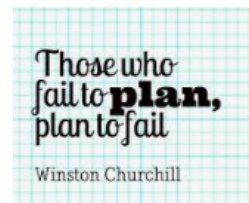


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At the other end of the spectrum, the potential recipients of some of these funds - Gen Y (those age 25 to 34) - are rich in income but comparatively poor in terms of net wealth. Australian Bureau of Statistics figuresⁱⁱⁱ put the household net worth of Gen Y at \$268 800, less than half that of Gen Xers, who are only a decade older. Both pale in comparison to the net wealth of Baby Boomers, who have a net wealth nearly five times that of Gen Y. This stark contrast is the result of a dramatic shift in economic conditions over the last fifty years, which has seen property prices grow to be out of reach for many young people, while cumulative investment returns have been significant for those now aged 55 or older.

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Sunshine Coast Orthopaedic Clinic

SAVE THE MENISCUS – AN UPDATE ON ARTHROSCOPY

There have been a number of recent papers questioning the role of knee arthroscopy and partial medial meniscectomy in the degenerate knee. This has quite rightly led to a decreased use of knee arthroscopy to treat the degenerative knee, at least as a first line treatment. That's not to say that arthroscopy and partial meniscectomy cannot be beneficial in certain older patients, but it is reasonable to start with a dedicated physiotherapy programme first and reserve arthroscopy for recalcitrant symptoms, or those with severe mechanical symptoms such as locked or locking knees or conditions such as root tears, loose bodies etc.

An unintended consequence, however, has been to reduce referral rates of younger patients for which the benefit of early arthroscopy and repair of the meniscus is clear. The goal of knee surgery is to save the meniscus. So meniscal repair and to a lesser extent conservative meniscal resection is the mantra for knee surgery, especially in younger patients. Meniscal repair preserves meniscal function so should prevent the problems of increased risk of arthritis, chronic pain and decreased function that can occur especially in younger patients. The time from injury to referral has a significant impact on the quality of the meniscus and the chances of successful repair. On a cost benefit analysis, meniscal repair is far superior to partial meniscectomy or physiotherapy. Age is not a barrier to repair. The results of repair are no different for those under 40 as to those over 40 with a 10% to 20% failure rate reported depending on the paper,

but younger patients have more to lose if their meniscus is not repaired. Meniscal repair is a more complex procedure with a longer recovery time than arthroscopic partial meniscectomy or non-operative treatment but the benefits are clear: reduced osteoarthritis, better functional outcomes and reduced long term costs.

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Despite its wealth of natural and historical attractions, Burgundy is most famous for its wines which are the undisputed major drawcard of this lovely French destination.



Every year an influx of food and wine enthusiasts indulge in the region's local delicacies and savour Burgundy's finest wines. If you consider yourself a connoisseur of fine food and exquisite wines then this location is your holiday 'dream come true'.

There are so many things to see and do in this area of east central France which covers over 31,000sq kilometres that it's hard to pick a favourite but let's take a look at some of the activities you can enjoy on a tour of Burgundy:

Wine tour

Take a bike trip around the town of Chablis. Located in the northern part of Burgundy, Chablis is a French wine district best known as the producer of the zesty and bubbly Chardonnay. Listen to stories of how this famous French wine is produced and cultivated; get up close and personal with the grapes and wineries which specialize in creating this wine and other local varieties and best of all, sample a glass or two of Chardonnay.

Stop off at other wineries in the region that produce top-notch wines like Aloxe Cortin, Puligny Montrachet, Meursault, Volnay and Pommard. By touring the wineries on rented bikes, you appreciate the awe-inspiring backdrop of the local scenery and enjoy some exercise in between sampling the local culinary treats and wines.

Barge cruise

Next up is a barge cruise on the Burgundy Canal. This is truly a wonderful and luxurious experience like no other. As you cruise along the canal, enjoying a selection of wines and tasty French dishes, you take in scenic views of Burgundy's historic sites and appreciate their location from a different perspective.

Castles and historic sites

Pay homage to some of the most popular and celebrated historic sites, such as the L'Abbaye de Fontenay, The Basilique St. Madeleine, Musee de l'Hotel-Dieu de Beaune, Chateau de Cormatin or take the Owl's Trail and explore the region's capital Dijon, famous for its Renaissance and medieval architecture.

It's easy to combine a tour of Burgundy with other areas in France since the main route heads south towards the Riviera or north to Paris (two hours by train) but wherever else you decide to go, a visit to this region will prove unforgettable. I recommend you book today!

SUNSHINE COAST LOCAL MEDICAL ASSOCIATION Inc. ABN: 56 932 130 084

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Enquiries: Jo Bourke Ph: 5479 3979 Mb: 0407 037 112 Email: jobo@squirrel.com.au

NAME	Surname:		First Name:	
EMAIL: _____				
<i>THE SCLMA PREFERS TO CONTACT MEMBERS VIA EMAIL WHEREVER POSSIBLE.</i>				
PRACTICE ADDRESS: For members who wish to receive hard copies (instead of by email) of the monthly invitation & newsletter by Sullivan Nicolaides Pathology Couriers to avoid postage costs.				
	Practice/Building			
	Street:			
	Suburb:		Postcode:	
	Phone:		Mobile:	
PRACTITIONER DETAILS:				
	Qualifications:			
	Date of Birth:		Year of Graduation:	
	Hospital employed / Private Practice (cross out one)			
	General Practice / Specialist (cross out one)			
	Area of Speciality:			
PLEASE NOTE: <i>Retired doctors who wish to join the Association are required to attach a letter of good standing from their respective College.</i>				
PROPOSERS: (to comply with the Queensland Associations Incorporation Act, two financial members of the Association are required to nominate each applicant for <i>new</i> membership. Members <i>renewing</i> their membership do not need proposers).				
1. NAME:			Signature:	
2. NAME:			Signature:	
ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION (GST included):		(Please tick)		PLEASE COMPLETE:
Full-time ordinary members - GP and Specialist		\$ 110		Your Monthly Invitation?
Doctor spouse of full-time ordinary member		\$ 55		By Email?
Absentee or non-resident doctors		\$ 55		By Courier?
Part-time ordinary members (less than 10 hours per week)		\$ 55		By Post?
Non-practising ordinary members, under 60 years old		\$ 55		Your Monthly Newsletter?
Residents & Doctors in Training		Free		By Email?
Non-practising ordinary members, over 60 years old		Free		By Courier?
Patron and honorary members		Free		By Post?
Payment can be made by cheque payable to SCLMA or by direct debit to:				
SCLMA Westpac Account. BSB: 034-243 ACCOUNT NUMBER: 11-9298				
Please return this form either by email (scanned) or Fax or Post with details of your E.F.T. to:				
Email: jobo@squirrel.com.au Post: SCLMA PO BOX 549 COTTON TREE 4558 Fax: 5479 3995				
Please note: <i>Membership applications will be considered at the next Management Committee meeting.</i>				

**SUNSHINE COAST LOCAL MEDICAL ASSOCIATION Inc.
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
THURSDAY 27 JUNE 2019
MaroochyDoreSurf Club Board Room
MINUTES
Accepted at Committee Meeting 25 JULY 2019**

In the absence of current President, Dr Roger Faint, Past President Dr Mason Stevenson took the Chair.
The meeting opened at 18.15.

Attendance: Drs Mason Stevenson, Mark de Wet, Peter Ruscoe, Kirsten Hoyle, Scott Masters, Grant Eddie, Fabio Brecciaroli, Jonathan Last, John Evans. Observer Jo Bourke (Secretariat)

Apologies: Drs Roger Faint, Wayne Herdy, Mason Stevenson, Jon Harper, Alicia Lorenz, Tau Boga.

Minutes of last meeting: 30 May 2019 (To be accepted).

Moved: Dr John Evans. Seconded: Dr Kirsten Hoyle. Accepted.

Business arising from Minutes: Nil.

President's Report: Dr Roger Faint – Apology.
Report tabled:

Gala Cocktail Party:

The date for the SCLMA Cocktail Party is on the second August at Peppers' Noosa. This Gala event is new this year and I am pleased to announce that the SCLMA is using this event to raise money for WishList to support our local Sunshine Coast Community. I like this idea and hope all members do also. The SCLMA can give money generically to WishList or give to a defined purpose, (e.g. clown entertainment in the Paediatric wards). If members have strong feelings of donating for a particular purpose, please let us know.

I am also very pleased to announce that Dr Siavash Es'haghi, Director, Sunshine Coast Radiology, will be the Keynote speaker on the night. Dr Es'haghi has an intriguing story of escaping Iraq, living in Pakistani detention camps, graduating medicine in New Zealand and specialising in Radiology in Australia, before establishing one of the largest Radiology companies in Australia on the Sunshine Coast. Remarkable!

There will be a silent auction with a 'Doctors Dozen' of high quality donated wines up for grabs. A local surgeon and neonatologist are leading the donation stakes currently. If you are a good wine collector, please donate a bottle!

The Integrated Electronic Medical Record (IEMR):

The Integrated Electronic Medical Record (IEMR) system is not so popular in Queensland generally, however I am pleased to say that the SCHHS rollout has been well planned and progressively relatively smoothly, albeit at the cost of some medical services such as OPD and surgery. This is temporary apparently and normal services are resuming.

Noosa Hospital:

The QH contract for the Ramsay owned Noosa Hospital ends in mid 2020. There are reports that the contract is being renegotiated for at least another ten years. It is quite apparent that QH has no interest in the option of taking over the management of the hospital themselves, presumably because of cost. It seems Noosa residents could be better served by a local public Hospital as currently most Noosa DEM admissions are transferred via QAS with the only exception being some medical unit admissions and also OPD services are minimal.

July Clinical Meeting with PHN:

On the 25th July at our monthly clinical meeting, the SCLMA will be once again hosting CE, SCHHS, Naomi Dwyer, the PHN and the GPLOs. There was a most interesting meeting last year and the SCLMA looks forward to this year. This is a unique opportunity and I encourage all members to attend and contribute.

Journalist's Rant:

I will finish with mentioning the naive rants of Sydney Journalist, Nikki Gemmell in the The Weekend Australian Magazine last Weekend. She did suggest in her article that male Drs specialising in O&G are perverse and raised speculation that they may have unsavoury reasons for entering this speciality. I do wonder how this reflects on Colorectal Surgeons and their interest in bottoms; and female urologists.
My advice, don't read her articles anymore.

Vice President's Report : Dr Wayne Herdy (and AMAQ Councillor's Report) – Apology.

Secretary's Report: Dr Mark de Wet

Correspondence In: Nil

Correspondence Out: Nil

Business arising from Correspondence: Nil.

Treasurer's Report : Dr Peter Ruscoe.

(a) Accounts to be paid:

- Telstra – (part account June – July 2019)
- Snap Printing – Newsletter June 2019.
- Jo Bourke – Newsletter June 2019.
- Jo Bourke – Adobe Creative Cloud Subscription
- Jo Bourke – Secretariat June 2019

Moved: Dr Peter Ruscoe that the accounts as tabled be approved for payment. Seconded: Dr Kirsten Hoyle. Carried.

(b) Membership Report:

- Dr Alan Millard (Anaesthesia)
- Dr Tracey Lam (Intern, SCUH)
- Dr Frances Waldie (Intern, SCUH)

Moved: Dr Peter Ruscoe that the membership application be accepted. Seconded: Dr Fabio Brecciaroli. Accepted.

Meetings Convenor Report: Dr Scott Masters

Gala Cocktail function in progress with WishList. Friday 2nd August 2019 Peppers Resort, Noosa. Tickets selling fast. Doctors Dozen – fine wine! Top prizes for auction on the night.

Hospital Liaison Report: Apology

PHN Report: Dr Jon Harper – Apology.

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MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
THURSDAY 27 JUNE 2019
MINUTES**

Accepted at Committee Meeting 25 JULY 2019

General Business:

Dr Mason Stevenson gave an update on the changes in the SCHHS Board. Recent changes resulted in the following Board Members: Dr Lorraine Ferguson (Board Chair), Mr Brian Anker, Dr Mason Stevenson, Ms Anita Phillips, Mrs Cosmo Schuh, Professor Julie-Anne Tarr, Mr Peter Sullivan, Mr Mark Raguse, Emeritus Professor Birgit Lohmann, Ms Debra Blumel.

Meeting Close 19.00

Next meeting Thursday 25 July 2019

Maroochydhore Surf Club Private Function Room.

Speakers:

Dr Jon Harper, Clinical Lead, Sunshine Coast HealthPathways
The new Smart Referrals system for GP referrals in to Queensland health hospitals; My Health Record update; HealthPathways update

Dr Andrew Hallahan, Acting Executive Director, Medical Services SCHHS

Topic: SCHHS update with a focus on our Master Clinical Service Planning

Dr Marlene Pearce, GP Liaison Officer, SCHHS

Topics: Referrals Centre + common referral issues

Dr Edwin Kruys, GP Liaison Officer, SCHHS

Topic: GPSIs (GPs with special interests)

Welcome to our new Members

(accepted 25 July 2019)

- *Dr Jed Madden (Intern, SCUH)*
- *Dr Brooke Rasmussen (Intern, SCUH)*
- *Dr Rachel Hawker (Anaesthesia)*
- *Dr Richard Hudson (Orthopaedics / Medico-Legal)*
- *Dr John Webster (Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery)*
- *Dr Jeremy So (General Practice)*

A Membership application form is published in every newsletter. Also available on our website:

www.sclma.com.au

Would you like to be included on our website

Directory? A form is available on our website.

If you are already on our Members Directory, please check if your details are correct (public information only please). Enquiries: Jo 0407 037 112.

REDCLIFFE LOCAL MEDICAL ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

Redcliffe LMA produces a similar newsletter

For full details re advertising go to their website:

www.rdma.org.au

Email: RDMAnews@gmail.com

ADVERTISING GUIDELINES:

To comply with Section 133 of the National Law and guidelines, advertising of services must not:

Paragraph (a) "Create or be likely to create unwarranted and unrealistic expectations about the effectiveness of the health services advertised"

Paragraph (f) "Claim that the services provided by a particular regulated health profession are better, as safe as or safer than others"

Paragraph (o) "Contain any claim, statement or implication that a practitioner provides superior services to those provided by other registered health practitioners"

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING:

The anti discrimination commission of Queensland has the following statement on job advertising:

Discriminatory advertising is against the law. Job advertisements need to give the impression that all suitable applicants are welcome to apply. References to sex, relationship status, age, race, religion etc should be avoided, as should the use of words that may indicate a preference for particular groups or may discourage others from applying, eg foreman, tradesman, glamorous, well-built, mature, youthful, office girl etc. Publishers can be fined and be the subject of a complaint to the Commission for publishing discriminatory advertisements that show an intention to contravene the Anti-Discrimination Act 1991. Discriminatory advertisements will therefore often be refused or modified by publishers in order to avoid legal liability.



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Noosa Hospital is a fully accredited medical and surgical hospital located in the heart of Noosa. We welcome privately insured patients, veterans, public patients and overseas visitors.



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- Breast & Endocrine
- Ear, Nose & Throat
- Endoscopy
- Gastroenterology
- General Medicine
- General Surgery
- Geriatric Medicine
- Gynaecology
- Haematology / Oncology
- Hepatology
- Intensive Care
- Oral & Maxillofacial
- Orthopaedics
- Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery
- Rehabilitation & Pain Medicine – Day and Inpatient programs, including Hydrotherapy
- Renal Medicine
- Respiratory Medicine
- Urology
- Vascular

Call 07 5455 9200 for more information
or visit noosahospital.com.au

111 Goodchap St, Noosaville QLD 4566



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The **Sunshine Coast University Private Hospital** provides a comprehensive range of cardiac services such as coronary angiography, exercise stress testing, a coronary care unit and a full range of support and rehabilitation programs.

Our experienced and nationally respected team of cardiologists, who admit to the coronary care unit and share 24 hour – 7 days a week cover for their patients, are well known to the local Sunshine Coast community.

For more information about our cardiology services or other services offered by the **Sunshine Coast University Private Hospital** please visit sunshinecoastuniversityprivate.com.au

Call 07 5390 6000 or visit
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DOCTOR REQUIRED FOR CARDIAC STRESS-TESTING FACILITY.

- Regular part-time work.
- All training provided.
- Attractive remuneration.
- Facilities on Sunshine Coast and Gympie.

For further information. Please contact Dr Andrew Paszkowski at Lakeview Imaging. **Ph: 54931649.**

June 2019

FEMALE VR GP WANTED

- Busy Clinic is seeking a female VR GP to work with a supportive and relaxed team of GPs and nurses, at a Not for Profit Centre offering women's health services in sunny Mooloolaba in the heart of the Sunshine Coast.
- Hourly rate of \$120.00 plus superannuation. Work at your own pace, take the time to give thorough care to appreciative women. Fully computerised using Best Practice software. Work as many or as few hours as you like. Choose your own hours, no weekend work, no after hours. Opportunity to be involved in decision making and goal setting for the Clinic if interested.

Check out website at northcoastwomenshealth.com.au

Please contact Wendy Stephenson on 0754448077 or 0416 938 040 or womenshealthcare@bigpond.com

June 2019

SPECIALIST CONSULTING SUITES IN NOOSA HEADS

Stylish and modern medical consulting suites available for hire on a sessional basis in Noosa Heads. The suites are centrally located in the heart of the Noosa Heads shopping precinct with free on-site parking.

- Ground floor, Large reception area,
- Comfortable waiting area
- Kitchenette, Wi-Fi available, Fully air-conditioned
- All suites are professionally sound-proofed
- There are dedicated medical consulting rooms fully equipped with examination beds, internet connection and hand washing facilities
- There is a consulting suite equipped with a desk and round table as well as internet connection, best suited to Psychiatrists
- A board room is available for meetings
- Disabled access, On-site parking
- Half day session 'Meet and Greet' service \$185 + GST
- 8.30am-12.30pm or 1.00pm-5.00pm
- Full day session 'Meet and Greet' service \$370 + GST
- 8.30am-5.00pm
- If needed, additional reception services can be negotiated.

Please call Lise (Practice Manager) to enquire

Phone 07-5447 2144

June 2019

CHANGE OF ADDRESS FOR ROOMS

Dr Ajay Verma, Specialist Physician has moved his rooms from the Medical Centre at the Buderim Private Hospital to the Nucleus Medical Suites. He now has rooms at the following two address:

Pulse Oceanside Medical Suites
Suite 604, Level 5
11 Eccles Boulevard
Birtinya Qld 4575

and also:

Nucleus Medical Suites
Building A, Suite 4, Level 2
23 Elsa Wilson Drive
Buderim Qld 4556

Contact details for both Rooms:

T: 5437 7390 F: 5302 6660

Email: reception@drajayverma.com.au

June 2019

TWO CONSULTING ROOMS AVAILABLE

There are Two Consulting Rooms Available at both the Pulse Oceanside Medical and the Nucleus Medical Suites

- Sessional or long term lease available
- The Pulse Rooms are located in a prominent position, close to Sunshine Coast University Public and Private Hospitals
- The Nucleus Rooms are also located in a prominent position close to the Buderim Private Hospital
- All electricity, heating and air conditioning included
- Close to Parking Lot and Local Bus Stop
- Able to provide secretarial support if required

For further information or to inspect please contact Gayle O'Brien 5437 7390

Email: reception@drajayverma.com.au

June 2019

SUNSHINE COAST MAROOCHYDORE PT/VR GP

- Highly respected practice with long established patient base.
- Very busy 3 Doctor general practice looking to reduce their hours.
- Excellent location close to the new proposed CBD of Maroochydore,
- Not far from the new University hospital and Buderim private hospital.
- Central to Specialist facilities.
- Best Practice software.
- Mixed billing 8am-5pm.
- Excellent RN and admin assistance.

P: 5443 6777 E: admin@armpdoc.com.au

July 2019

HAVE A HOLIDAY AND GET PAID!

- Sunshine Coast 2bed, 2bath modern furnished accom near beach at Kawana
- Min 3 months with option to extend
- Practice in Nambour.
- Long established, mixed billing, to replace departing Doctor.
- High gross, High Percentage

Please contact Penny 07 5476 0111

practicemanager@annstfamilymedicine.com.au.

August 2019

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August 2019

GENERAL PRACTITIONER (VR) - SUNSHINE COAST QUEENSLAND

To find out more, please email your resume to admin@nambourclinic.com.au or ring Rowena for an informal chat 0412 292 666.

Continuing as per request.

CLASSIFIEDS GUIDELINES FOR 2019

- Classifieds are FREE for current SCLMA members
- Classifieds have a placement life of 3 newsletters
- Cost for non-members is \$100 + gst

Queries: Contact Jo 0407 037 112

SCLMA Clinical Meeting - 25 July 2019
 Maroochydore Surf Club Private Function Room
 Dr Jon Harper, Clinical Lead, Sunshine Coast HealthPathways
 Dr Andrew Hallahan, Acting Executive Director,
 Medical Services SCHHS
 Dr Marlene Pearce, GP Liaison Officer, SCHHS
 Dr Edwin Kruys, GP Liaison Officer, SCHHS



**Dr Andrew
Hallahan
SCHHS**



**Dr Jon
Harper
PHN**



**Dr Edwin
Kruys
GPLO
SCHHS**



**Dr Marlene
Pearce
GPLO
SCHHS**

Meeting dates for rest of 2019

Thursday 19 September - One week earlier than usual due to school holidays.

Topics: **Dr James Moir:** *Genetic Dilemmas in 2019* and

Dr Petra Ladwig: *Managing infertility in general practice (Female and Male infertility)* (to be confirmed)

Thursday 31 October - Dr David McIntosh. In progress - details to be confirmed

Thursday 28 November - Dr Caroline Hughes, Paediatrician. details to be confirmed

