

NEWSLETTER

August 2017

SCLMA President's Message Dr Roger Faint

For those of you who don't know, I have been honoured by being voted in for my second year as SCLMA President at the recent AGM. I appreciate the confidence shown in me by the committee and SCLMA members and look forward to another year of representing the medical profession on the Sunshine Coast.

As usual the monthly clinical meetings are busy and thus I would like to take the opportunity to mention and thank a few people. Di Minuskin is stepping down after eight years on the committee. She has been a tireless worker during her tenure including having been President and representing the SCLMA on many committees. It is Di, along with her committee, who supported Kevin Hegarty and his interest in establishing a medical school on the Sunshine Coast. It appears that just as she steps down from the SCLMA, her dream is likely to come to fruition, thus I feel this issue could be a significant part of her legacy. I wish Di all the best in her new life in retirement luxuriating between the USA and Australia.

I would also like to thank the committee, particularly our office bearers, for their invaluable support and guidance. All committee members are non-paid and contribute significant amounts of time to the SCLMA. The fact that only one committee member has retired is testament to how valuable the SCLMA appears be to the medical profession on the Sunshine Coast. Jo Bourke, as always, is remarkable in her support and knowledge of the organisation.

Dr Grant Eddie FACEM, has joined our committee and I look forward to his sincere and pragmatic views. Grant has a wealth of experience in management and was the Clinical Director of Caloundra DEM for over ten years until its closure about eighteen months ago. He is now working at SCUH in the new DEM as a senior Emergency Physician. I hope he will become our SCUH Liason officer as Dr Marcel Knesl has retired from this role.

Last Thursday's clinical meeting was sponsored by Radiation Oncology Centres (ROC) and included a particularly interesting presentation by radiationoncologist and committee member Dr Marcel Knesl. I would like to thank ROC for allowing Professor Scott Kitchener to speak on the Griffith University Rural program and for giving us some insight in the medical school process. Professor Kitchener is a rural GP with a wealth of knowledge in terms of university education process and the related machinations of government. Thank you Scott.

government. Thank you Scott.

I would like to remind our membership of the aims of the SCLMA at this significant time in the year:



- the promotion of the medical education of the members, and of the local community
- the promotion of the medico-political interests of the members, patients and the local community
- liason with other medical representative bodies
- the promotion of quality medical services
- the promotion of an environment to facilitate and encourage social interaction between members of the association

The year ahead will be busy with issues including the SCUH orthopaedic training issue, a refresh of our strategic plan, attracting younger committee members, improving our meetings and upgrading our communicating technologies, amongst other important issues.

Finally please 'like' us on Facebook, we have 98 likes and about 300 members. Let's make triple figures together.

Yours Sincerely

Dr Roger K Faint.

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Editorial

"This month's edition of the Sunshine Coast LMA newsletter contains many articles that encircle mental health issues.



The PHN apprises of plans to continue mental health support services and care for patients as we transition towards an NDIS.

The AMA Queensland informs of a new mental health programme for Queensland interns called Resilience on the Run.

Even the Poole Group, who normally acquaint us with matters financial, examines the Electronic Society and touches on the potential deleterious mental health concerns related to computer and mobile phone use.

I am reminded of a speech that Berkshire Hathaway Vice Chairman, Charlie Munger, delivered to the 1986 Harvard School. He expanded on an earlier oration recited by American comedian Johnny Carson who admitted he did not know how to advise the students on how to be happy in life so he instead expounded on how to guarantee life misery! Carson had advised the audience to ingest chemicals in an effort to alter mood and perception, to be envious and to harbour resentment. Munger reiterated the three points of advice and added four more of his own. To pledge misery, he championed them to be unreliable, admonished them to ignore vicarious wisdom, directed them to stay down when knocked down and advised them to ignore the Rustic's advice when he said, "I wish I knew where I was going to die, and then I'd never go there."

So to invert the aforementioned advice, I would endorse the importance of a positive mindset, even in the midst of adversity and turmoil: to view circumstances as enlightening rather than threatening. Charles Dickens' allegorical description of the disruptive state of affairs in 18th century England and France is as relevant today as it was when penned. "It was the best of times, it was the worst of times..."

Stay positive, stay alert and stay nimble..."

Regards

Kirsten Hoyle

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SCLMA CLINICAL MEETINGS 6.30pm for 7pm (over by 9pm)

SEPTEMBER - NO MEETING (school holidays) SCLMA Committee will hold planning meeting.

THURSDAY 26 OCTOBER 2017

Speaker: Dr Jonathan Robertson

Topic: Clinical trial approved at TSCPH

at Buderim for Prostate Artery

embolisation (PAE) for benign prostatic hypertrophy

Speaker: Dr Chris Vernon

Topic: Summary of lower urinary tract

symptoms (LUTS) in men.

Venue: M'dore Surf Club

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THURSDAY 30 NOVEMBER 2017 Details being finalised. Dr Peter Georgius and rehab team from Selangor.

NO MEETINGS DECEMBER & JANUARY.

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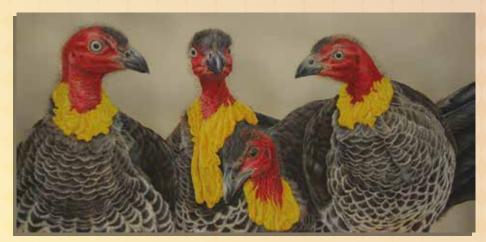
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Health Service Link - August 2017

Over seven years ago the health service identified its vision for the then planned Sunshine Coast University Hospital (SCUH). In particular we wanted to be able to state what it meant to be a "university" hospital and a provider of expanding tertiary services. The outcome was the SCUH vision to provide excellent care through education, collaboration and enquiry. The vision was further explained through the following objectives to:

- Provide excellent patient care
- Develop new knowledge through research, to contribute to national and international improvements in patient care
- Educate the next generations of staff to provide all three components

All three objectives are equally important and we remain absolutely committed to each of them. They have formed the overarching principles of the Sunshine Coast Health Institute partnership with University of Sunshine Coast, TaFE Queensland East Coast and the medical school. They also guide our approach to medical training positions including specialty trainees.

For this reason we are extremely disappointed with the recent advice from the Australian Orthopaedic Association (AOA) of its intention to withdraw accreditation of two orthopaedic surgeon training places at SCUH effective 5 February 2018.

Following President Roger's invitation, I take this opportunity to provide some clarification of the issues raised.

The AOA identified the main perceived concerns related to insufficient allocation of theatre time to orthopaedics and insufficient activity. While disappointing, this decision has absolutely no impact on our ability to provide orthopaedic surgery or any other service at the SCUH, either now or from when this decision takes effect. The Sunshine Coast Hospital and Health Service (SCHHS) provides a comprehensive orthopaedic service throughout the Sunshine Coast and Gympie region and the level of service provided at SCUH is no exception.

In early 2017, in the lead up to the opening of SCUH, there was a planned decrease in public elective surgery services across SCHHS. This was a temporary, preplanned activity, aimed at safeguarding patient safety. It was based on the advice and lessons learned from other major hospital projects. The AOA conducted a visit of the new SCUH shortly after its opening, on 21 April, when the effects of the temporary activity decreases were prominent. The level of activity over the last 2 years since the two positions have been available has not materially changed and is planned to increase in the 2017/18 financial year. Already additional theatre sessions are available and orthopaedics will shortly be provided, as planned, Nambour. Activity will increase even further between July and September 2018 when the contract with Sunshine Coast University Private Hospital ceases.



I have sent a letter to Dr Omar Khorshid, Chair of Education and Training with the AOA, seeking review of their decision, through further discussions and have also requested information on the required numbers of cases to support trainee positions. Discussions are continuing and include the Royal Australian College of Surgeons. We will continue to work collaboratively with the AOA to address the issues raised with the aim of avoiding a formal appeal.

SCHHS worked with all colleges well before commencing services at SCUH. Provisional accreditation for all specialities and sub-specialities was provided and plans are in place for reviews during this year if required. One of these reviews occurred on 29 August and the feedback was that there would be no recommendations. Indeed we were encouraged to apply for additional positions as we increase activity and scope of services in 2018. Many specialities will be requesting additional trainee places from 2018.

Despite the provisional accreditation, overall the number of trainees has actually increased since we commissioned SCUH, with advanced trainees increasing from 107 prior to April to 146 and basic trainees increasing from 36 to 53. Importantly new positions have been provided in paediatrics, mental health, pain management and community child health.

I would like to reassure the members of the SCLMA that we consider this trend will continue as will our ongoing commitment to medical training.

Regards

Scott Lisle

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AMA QUEENSLAND CEO UPDATE - 'Resilience on the Run'

Junior doctors benefit from resilience booster

Hundreds of Queensland hospital interns will benefit from AMA Queensland's unique mental health program, Resilience on the Run, thanks to a funding commitment by Queensland Health.

The program was devised by the AMA Queensland Council of Doctors in Training to increase resilience, manage stress and promote wellbeing among junior doctors.

The program has already been successfully introduced at hospitals in Rockhampton, Ipswich and the Metro South health area and will now be made available to 740 interns statewide.

The long hours, pressure to perform and intense scrutiny that come with working in a hospital can all have major impacts on the health and wellbeing of junior doctors.

The campaign to improve the mental wellbeing of doctors saw other major developments in August.

AMA Queensland hosted a suicide prevention forum in Brisbane, bringing together 45 doctors and senior managers from Queensland Health and the private sector to discuss the barriers to better mental health that affect individuals, leaders and the wider health system.

It was a complex discussion, but there was no shortage of ideas on how to address this problem, all of which will be fed into a national suicide prevention forum on September 14.

The focus of AMA Queensland and others on doctors' mental health is also leading to action at a federal level, with the August COAG Health Council requesting the Australian Health Ministers' Advisory Council to conduct a national review of mandatory reporting.

Health ministers agreed that 'doctors should be able to seek treatment for health issues with confidentiality' - an encouraging for the profession.

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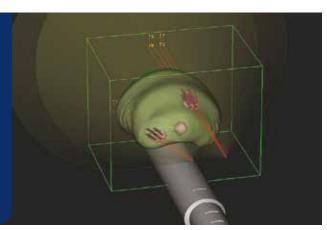






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MRI-informed robotic targeted transperineal biopsy provides an optimised diagnostic pathway, with more accurate diagnosis and patient risk-stratification. Better diagnosis, grading and staging allows for better treatment choices for patients with clinically significant prostate cancer, while reducing overdiagnosis and overtreatment of insignificant disease.

What about MRI Prostate? The prostate cancer diagnostics service is supported by world-class Radiology. Sunshine Coast Medical Imaging works in conjunction with Wesley Medical Imaging - one of the highest volume units in the world. The group boasts a highly experienced team of radiologists that introduced prostatic MRI to Australia, and were involved in a world-first clinical trial for prostate cancer diagnosis. This published trial has become one of the highest cited papers in all urological literature in the last 2 years.

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Why Offer PSA Testing? Level 1 evidence shows PSA testing saves lives for men 50-69 (Consensus statement, Prostate Cancer World Congress, Melbourne, 2013), with numbers needed to screen per life saved better than for breast cancer. The main concerns with PSA testing relate to potential downsides of overdiagnosis and overtreatment of insignificant cancer. Recent advances in MRI and biopsy diagnostics, improvements in radical therapies, and surveillance of low-risk cases are working to mitigate these issues. It is important to discuss the pros and cons of reduced death rates and rates of presentations with metastatic disease vs. potential overdiagnosis and overtreatment with patients before embarking on PSA testing.

When to start? 50 years of age. High-risk patients 40-45yo. Men up to 70 years of age are those most likely to benefit from early detection.

HIGH RISK - Family history prostate cancer (especially if <60yo), BRACA or Lynch Syndrome, African ancestry.

When to refer? PSA >3 (PSA >2 in 40's) (NCCN Guidelines Version 1.2014 Prostate Cancer Early Detection). Given the complexities and the pros and cons of prostate cancer diagnostics, Urologists are then best placed to further assess and advise patients whether further evaluation is indicated.

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SCHHS GPLO - AUGUST 2017 UPDATE

Since the opening of the Sunshine Coast University hospital in early 2017 the GP Liaison unit has run a number of GP Education events.

These have been extremely popular with record numbers of GPs. They have been keen to see the new hospital, to find out about services and to meet the staff and specialists.

The demand from hospital teams to hold education events has also been high. We are running out of months left in the year so we have decided to run a full Saturday combined education event which will consist of presentations from many of the hospital departments such as Orthopaedics, Vascular surgery, Gynaecology, Gastroenterology Neurology, ENT and Mental Health. Clinical topics will be covered but there will also be a focus on referral pathways and services. Watch this space for more info next month...

It is encouraging to see better relationships and communication continuing to build between the GP and Hospital sectors.

Within the Hospital, the GP Liaison unit is continuing work on referral processes, support, clinical information access, same-day discharge summaries and ACC (Outpatient) letters, as well as innovative ways to reduce the waiting lists!

However, we would like to ensure that we best respond to the needs of our colleagues and improve the patient journey. To help guide our efforts within the SCHHS we would appreciate your feedback. If you have a few minutes to answer the following question we would be grateful.

1) What is the one thing that we could do to better support you and your patients?

Please email your response to the GPLO email below

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(please **DO NOT** give this number to patients. It is for GPs only and is answered ahead of all other calls)

Dr Michelle Johnston, GPLO

PHN UPDATE - AUGUST 2017

Primary Health Network - Central Queensland, Wide Bay, Sunshine Coast

Mental health services are changing

Central Queensland, Wide Bay, Sunshine Coast PHN would like to keep GPs in the Sunshine Coast and Gympie region informed of changes to mental health services across the area.

The PHN will be working closely with health care professionals and service providers across our catchment in the 2017-18 period to implement the Australian Government's Mental Health Reforms, ensuring that those in need of mental health care services receive the right care, in the right place, at the right time.

This new model of care will be referred to as 'stepped care'. Stepped care is an evidence-based, staged approach to the delivery of mental health services, comprising a hierarchy of interventions, from the least to the most intensive, matched to the individual's needs.

The Mental Health Commission has adopted this approach nationally, and the Australian Government Department of Health has directed PHNs to commission all mental health services under a stepped care model. The PHN for the Central Queensland, Wide Bay, Sunshine Coast region is conducting a competitive tender process to commission the service providers who will deliver these services in the catchment.

All the mental health services that are currently funded under PHN programs will continue to be provided, however the name of the programs, the referral process or the service provider may change in the coming months.

Changes to the mental health care system will affect programs such as the ATAPS program, which will be retired in its current form to pave the way for a more flexible approach to mental health services. Services currently delivered as part of ATAPS will be soon implemented as a range of service options under a stepped care model – from low-intensity through to moderate-intensity services, tailored to the needs of the client. This approach will allow for greater affordability, access and efficiency of services.

Under the stepped care model, Mental Health Care Plans will still exist in their current format. This means GPs will be able to offer allied mental health services to patients with an assessed mental disorder according to MBS eligibility guidelines.

The stepped care model will also offer physicians the opportunity to refer appropriate patients to telehealth services with trained Cognitive Behaviour Therapy (CBT) professionals.

This service is suitable for those in the well-population who may be experiencing behavioural or life stress, those living with low-intensity mental health conditions, and those living in areas with limited access to qualified mental health professionals.

Partners in Recovery (PIR) will continue to provide care coordination for eligible clients with severe and persistent mental ill health. Elements of this program will transition into the NDIS over the next few years. Acute care will still be accessible through Queensland Health community and acute care services.

The priority for the PHN and all service providers is continuity of care for existing clients, and a smooth transition to new service providers.

We ask clinicians to continue to use the PHN's online clinical decision tool, HealthPathways

http://www.ourphn.org.au/healthpathways/

will provide advice and information on clinical eligibility and referral pathways. The PHN will also commission a central intake and referral service that will assist people to access the right type of support at the right time.

The PHN website will be continually updated as we work continue to work with service providers across our catchment.

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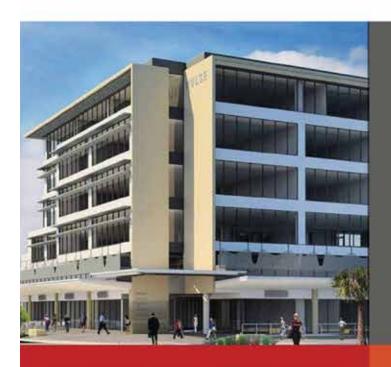
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With Sunshine Coast Brain & Spine now housing 3 permanent local neurosurgeons

- Dr Janusz Bonkowski, Dr Stephen Byrne and Dr Hazem Akil, Dr Coyne is thrilled to see the Sunshine Coast finally receiving the local care it deserves.

As there is now no need for patients to travel to Brisbane for spinal or peripheral nerve surgery, Dr Coyne will discontinue consulting from the Sunshine Coast after October 2017.

Dr Coyne feels privileged to have worked in such a warm tight knit community and thanks everyone for their support throughout his time on the Sunshine Coast.

Dr Coyne remains available to consult in Brisbane, and remains happy to see patients from the Sunshine Coast in Brisbane or participate in Skype consults., particularly for intracranial problems, which can't yet be treated locally on the Sunshine Coast. However referrers and patients can rest assured that patients can receive high quality care for spinal and peripheral nerve conditions without having to travel out of the region.





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31 August 2017

Hon Greg Hunt MP Federal Minister for Health PO Box 6022 Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Mr Hunt

As President of the Sunshine Coast Local Medical Association Inc., I would like to thank you for supporting the establishment of the Sunshine Coast medical school in association with the Sunshine Coast University Hospital (SCUH).

This has been a popular but difficult and at times confusing process. The SCLMA appreciates the Federal funding and your support to assist Griffith University in establishing a local medical school.

I would like to extend the SCLMA's appreciation and thanks to local federal members Ted O'Brien and Andrew Wallace for their unwavering support regarding this issue.

Yours Sincerely

Dr Roger K Faint President Sunshine Coast Local Medical Associaiton Inc.

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Mr Andrew Wallace.



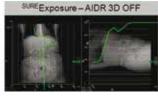
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Notes from an ENT conference Dr David McIntosh ENT

At my recent presentation at the SCLMA meeting, it became apparent to me that much of what I was saying seemed foreign and challenging to the paradigm of sleep apnoea management. This was interesting to me as the information I was sharing was something I have been utilising and moderating since 2003, and is reflective of the few ENT surgeons that have training and expertise in adult sleep apnoea operations. For the benefit of those that may find this useful, I am sharing my notes from adult and paediatric sleep apnoea lectures at a big ENT conference that has just been held. The presenters are the top of the best that there are. The information provided is cutting edge- a lot of this hasn't been published yet, so it's a real heads up as to where modern specialist thinking is at. For me it was very rewarding for me to have my personal professional opinions validated by world experts. Much of what they were saying is what I have been saying and implementing for a long time.

Adult OSA

The starting point of sleep apnoea management in adults in making sure that the nose is clear. The main benefits of this outside of sleep apnoea are improving cardiovascular status, as studies have shown an increased chance of pulmonary and systemic hypertension with patients that have a deviated nasal septum. From a specific sleep apnoea perspective, having a clear nose is absolutely essential to either facilitate other treatments or very occasionally deliver a cure.

With respect to the surgical management of palatal level obstruction, many of the older techniques don't work. Palatal implants are definitely not a good idea. There is no role for laser to the palate- Medicare Australia statistics confirm it was popular mid to late 1990's and by 2006 pretty much none were done. In terms of the main palate operations, the modified UPPP and the lateral pharyngoplasty are more robust in their outcomes, and palatal advancement surgery is technically more involved but likewise more successful. Of interest, in the process of doing palate surgery, it is often necessary to combine it with tongue volume reduction surgery (sub mucosal or open) to have a positive clinical benefit.

Tongue surgery for OSA came out in about 2005 (I worked with the first ENT surgeon in Australia to adopt this technique). It works really well, and there are both open or sub-mucosal approaches, depending on the pattern of tongue obstruction. There is now a really good open procedure for tongue base under endoscopic visualisation (which I will be looking to adopt in appropriate patients).

Paediatric Sleep disordered breathing (SDB)

In cases where adenotonsillectomy does not work completely, the tongue base is leading cause of failure. The means of assessing for this are endoscopy or cine-MRI. There is no indication for irradiating imaging as it does not yield any definitive information of benefit to patient management.

The lectures of greatest interest were the one presented by an author of the CHAT study and another by a paediatric sleep physician. The CHAT study was a \$10m USD study looking in to whether we should be doing adenotonsillectomy in children with airway obstruction, or just leave them to outgrow it. Their prime outcome measure was sleep study findings. For those unfamiliar with the study, they found that about 40% of sleep studies in children, based on the apnoea-hypopnea index (AHI) normalised with no intervention within 6 months. However, these normalised sleep study results were not associated with clinical improvements in measures such as cognition or behaviour. The best results in these domains were evident in children that had surgery.

This lecture was a great prelude to a talk by an Australian paediatric sleep physician. As she said, "I am probably going to put myself out of a job here". Her research and professional opinion showed that in children, most of the time you do not need sleep studies. Furthermore in children, sleep studies are very limited in what they tell you. Of greatest importance, and reflective of the CHAT study outcomes, there is no clinical relationship between symptoms or complications of SDB and AHI. The progress is such that AHI is being abandoned in many places and are no longer advocating treating the AHI- just the symptoms. As a consequence of this, many studies using AHI may well be useless, including the CHAT study. The line in the sand is if the child snores and the sooner they are fixed the better.

EXTRA ENT COVER IN SEPTEMBER ...

Dr David McIntosh and Dr Daniel Timperley have arranged extra ENT cover in September to meet the growing demand and wait times for ENT services on the Sunshine Coast. Dr Edward Cleland will be available September 11-29 and we are already taking bookings for him. He is also happy to see emergency cases the same or next day on weekdays and all appointments can be made by calling 5451 0333 or Fax 5451 0300 or via Medical Objects to David McIntosh. He offers a general ENT service, so all cases can be seen.

Astronomy scores hole in one Dr Ken Wishaw

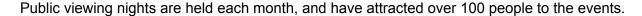
A collaboration between the Maleny Golf Club, the Brisbane Astronomical Society and the Sunshine Coast Council now sees regular stargazing events on the Sunshine Coast.

The organizing team includes retired anaesthetist, Dr Ken Wishaw, and paediatrician Dr John Waugh.

The Golf Club has enthusiastically supported the concept as a perfect partnership and use of their club facilities.

The club house provides kitchen facilities lighting and power and an

ideal viewing deck, while the council provides adjacent car parking facilities as well as brand new toilet facilities that have lighting modified to preserve night vision.



On average there are 5 - 10 telescopes at the events.

Details are available at the Facebook site "Sunshine Coast Dark Sky Astronomers (Australia)" or at the Facebook and web site of the Brisbane Astronomical Society.

Ken can be contacted at mobile No. 0412 947 429



Top Photo: Dr Ken Wishaw and Dr John Waugh describing the origins and geology of the moon.

Bottom Photo: Dr John Waugh gives a laser guided tour of the constellation.

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Background

A 20-year-old female presented to her general practitioner with an 8 year history of seizures that have changed in nature and frequency over the last few months. This change was associated with unexplained headaches.

The patient had a prior MRI examination as a child that was reported as normal. The images were not available for review.

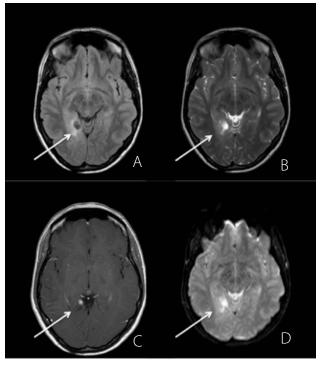


Figure 1: MR Brain Axial Images: FLAIR (A), T2 (B), postcontrast T1 (C) and DWI (D) weighted imaging demonstrating enhancing lesion with cystic component (arrow) involving the medial aspect of the right occipital lobe.

Findings

9mm x 8mm (Axial) x 9mm (Coronal) well circumscribed intra-axial lesion involving the medial right occipital lobe with a 6mm enhancing mural nodule involving the superomedial aspect. It is predominantly T2 hyperintense and T1 hypointense

with restricted diffusion, mild surrounding oedema and thickening of the adjacent cortical grey matter. This likely represents a pilocytic astrocytoma.

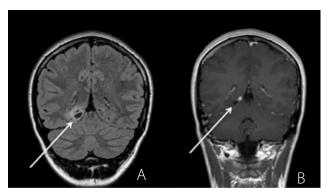


Figure 2: MR Brain Sagittal Images: FLAIR (A) and post-contrast T1 (B) weighted images demonstrating an enhancing mural nodule and small cystic component (arrow).

Pilocytic Astrocytoma

Well-circumscribed, slow-growing tumor of astrocyte lineage, often with a cyst and mural nodule.

Association with neurofibromatosis type 1 (NF1)

- 15% of NF1 patients develop pilocytic astrocytomas, most commonly in optic pathway.
- Up to 1/3 of patients with optic pathway PAs have NF1.

Staging, Grading, & Classification

WHO (World Health Organization) grade I.

Epidemiology

5-10% of all gliomas, the most common primary brain tumor in children (up to 25% of total). Age: > 80% under 20 years, peak incidence: 5-15

years of age.

Gender: M = F

Location: Cerebellum (60%) > optic nerve/chiasm (25-30%) > adjacent to 3rd ventricle > brainstem.

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Natural History & Prognosis

Slowly growing with any associated mass effect accommodated.

Rarely they spontaneously involute without treatment or after partial resection or biopsy. Tumor may spread through subarachnoid space in rare cases (but remain WHO grade I). Median survival rates at 20 years > 70% Rare reports of malignant features associated with prior radiation therapy.

Presentation

Examination/History

- 1. Prolonged duration of symptoms on close inquiry: Months to years
- 2. Headache, nausea, and vomiting (consequence of hydrocephalus and increased intracranial pressure)
- 3. Visual loss (optic pathway lesions)
- 4. Ataxia, cerebellar signs (cerebellar lesions)

Imaging

CT Findings

Discrete cystic-solid mass, may have little or no surrounding oedema.

Solid component hypo- to isodense to grey matter (GM).

- 95% enhance (patterns vary)
- 50% non-enhancing cyst, strongly enhancing mural nodule
- 40% solid with necrotic centre, heterogeneous enhancement
- 10% solid, homogeneous
- Cyst may accumulate contrast on delayed images
- Cyst wall may have some enhancement

Calcification in 20% but haemorrhage uncommon Often causes obstructive hydrocephalus but this is location dependent

	Solid Portion	Cystic Portion		
T1W1	Iso-hypointense to GM	Iso- to slightly hyperintense to CSF		
T2W1	Hyperintense to GM	iso-/hyperintense to CSF		
FAIR	hyperintense to GM	Hyperintense to CSF		
DW1	Similar diffusivity to GM			
T1W1 C+	Intense but heterogeneous enhancement Cyst wall occasionally enhances	Cyst wall occasionally enhances		

Rare: Leptomeningeal metastases Optic pathway: Variable enhancement

MRS

Aggressive-appearing metabolite pattern; ↑choline, ↓NAA, ↑ lactate. Paradoxical finding: MRS does not accurately reflect clinical behavior of tumor.

PET

18F-fluorodeoxyglucose (FDG) studies show increased tumor metabolism in PAs Paradoxical finding: PET does not accurately reflect histologic behavior of tumor

Imaging Recommendations

Best imaging tool: Contrast-enhanced MR.

Treatment

- Cerebellar or hemispheric: Resection
- Adjuvant chemotherapy or radiation only if residual progressive unresectable tumor
- Optic/chiasmatic/hypothalamic: Often none
- Stable or slowly progressive tumors watched
- Debulking or palliative surgery considered after vision loss
- Radiation or chemotherapy for rapidly progressive disease

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THE ELECTRONIC SOCIETY



When I was in High School computers & mobile phones first started being used mainstream. We never had a computer at home and even throughout University I relied solely on computer rooms on campus. Yes I am showing my age but below is how computer and mobile phones have affected the last 20 or so years in my occupation alone:

- Spelling and grammar no more. Its seems that with spelling and grammar checks people can no longer string a sentence together and spell even simple words like principle or principal correctly nor use them in the correct context. The art of English has been somewhat lost.
- Emails and texts. This is a minefield. Too often (and I include myself in this comment) both emails and texts are misinterpreted. Have you ever typed an email or text in all capitals simply because you couldn't be bothered taking the caps lock off, only to be berated by the recipient for yelling at them.
- It has become almost acceptable to send a text/email and quickly and easily dump a job and responsibility on the recipient. In my occupation I can receive up to 100 emails a day, granted it is my job to assist clients but emails like this are also received from banks, solicitors, ATO etc and the list goes on. If I had a dollar for every time a bank had requested financials only to respond to them that they received them months earlier, I would be a very rich person.
- Emails and texts can be totally devoid of emotion, or have misinterpreted intentions or in the event of an over user of emojiis, full of a mess of icons with no clear purpose.
- Emails and texts both save and waste time.
- Cyber crime. Two words that put fear in most of us. We are constantly being reminded of our online vulnerability with warnings such as be wary of suspicious emails, check if websites are secure, change your passwords, avoid dodgy emails and links, use trusted mobile apps and keep anti-virus software up to date.
- Junk email. This is probably one of the biggest time wasters. Deleting it, unsubscribing to it and checking to make sure it is in fact junk.
- Internet connection is lost..... need I say more.

As medical practitioners I am sure you are seeing more cases of the below conditions from computer or phone use:

- Shoulder, neck and back pain.
- Mental health issues caused from cyber bullying etc
- Sleep depriviation
- Repetitive strain injuries
- Eyesight issues.

And the list goes on. I haven't looked into the statistics but prolonged use of computers and mobile phones are surely detrimental to our health?

So what is the point of my article? It is to prompt you to look within yourself and think about how computers and mobile phone use is affecting your lives? From what you discover in this process how computers/mobile phones are enriching your lives and how they are detracting from it? How you can improve and make your use of these more valuable and how you can ensure your communications with others are clear and concise.

Not all of you will agree with this article and that is ok. If all this article achieves is that it makes you think about your use then it was a success. For me I personally don't have the internet at home as I work on computers all day. When I send emails or texts I try to be clear, concise and human. And most importantly I try to stick to the below matrix:

Figure 1 – Eisenhower's Urgent/Important Principle

If any of you have any feedback I look forward to hearing it.

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PHYSIO CAN HELP NECK PA

Non-traumatic neck pain (including acute wry neck) when cleared of a medical cause by the Doctor is usually a result of sub-optimal postures or repeated positions, resulting in abnormal or prolonged stresses onto the soft tissue and articular structures. Physiotherapy including manual therapy and acupuncture is effective at reducing the symptoms and restoring normal movement (Trinh K et al 2016; Walker et al 2008, Copurgensli et al 2016).

Traumatic neck pain from mild trauma (can be whiplash or direct trauma/impact from fall) often responds very well to physiotherapy and would not usually require imaging. Some patients however, still fare badly from minor trauma and experience problems returning to work in a fully functional capacity.

If imaging is not required and/or there is no radiographic evidence of injury, then physiotherapy treatment with a focus on normal movement patterns would be appropriate. Early physiotherapy in the emergency department has been associated with lower pain and disability levels. (Sohil et al 2017)









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I picked a grape, I picked another.
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Great in singles celebrated, but the sum of parts anticipated.

No single vineyard intended, wine from the hand of man.

Blended!

In the spirt of trying to keep my writing fresh I thought I would blend some words together to introduce the topic of wine blending. It can be a vigorously debated topic between puritans who impress the importance of single vineyard, single variety and vintage with the winemaker being a steward rather than a master. On the other- hand blended wine is often called the" wine makers wine".

Blending has occurred since the beginning of wine making. The great Bordeaux's are various combinations of merlot, cabernet sauvignon, malbec, petit Verdot, cabernet franc. Champagne is a blend often of Pinot noir, Chardonnay and Pinot Minuer.

In a way like great perfume houses, the skill of blending to have a commercially stable product out ways the art of expression. Penfolds would have to be the greatest blenders in the world.

Australians have become self-educated and excelled in the skill of blending. This has often come about by the lack of grape to make commercial quantities. Max Schubert wanted to make a great Bordeaux blend but there wasn't enough quality Cabernet Sauvignon. Lucky we swim in a lake of Shiraz. So Penfolds Grange has become a blend of Shiraz and Cabernet with only a handful of pure Shiraz vintages.

Australians love affair with its unique Shiraz Cabernet blend has been perpetuated by great wines like Yalumba Signature and Penfolds 389. Australians blending of white grapes Semillon and sauvignon blanc, originating in Western Australia , has produced some truly mouthwatering and cellar worthy wines. The old Houghton's White Burgundy.

Shouldn'tthe mantrabe-Make it to taste good? Extrapolating from the Rhone blends of Grenache and shiraz, Australian wine making icon Charles Melton pioneered the GSM blends of Grenache, Shiraz and Mouvedre. Who would have thought adding white to red would work? Viognier can be added to shiraz to lift its aromatics. Then of course dichotomies exist such as adding Shiraz and pinot noir, as done by the late Maurice O'Shea.

The public gets what the public needs. The wine maker is allowed 15% of a different variety, year and geography but still call it a straight wine. Mathematically it is possible to end up with only about 60% of what is labelled.

My mate Dave Lehman of David Franz wines loves his self-entitled wine- The larrikin. He has orphaned parcels of grapes that remain in the same proportion each year and in a sense, it is a hybrid- "use what the vineyard gave you but tweak it with a desirable ratio.

Some of the more exotic blends in Australia have included Tempranillo and Touriga Nacional, Nebbiolo and Barbera and Sangiovese, Cabernet, Nebbiolo and Shiraz.

Wines to try-

S.C.Panell Tempranillo Touriga McLaren Vale 2015if you can find this aromatic spicy red that balances the fruit of Tempranillo and the slight grittiness of the Touriga. Plush fruit and good structure- have with "fully charged" Spanish meatballs.

Quealy Pobblebonk Mornington Peninsula 2015is made from Moscato Giallo and Riesling blended with Friulano, Pinot Grigio and Chardonnay. Intense aromatic wine with notes of florals over melons and grapefruit. Lively white on the palate with mild acidity. Have with some oily fish such as sardines.

Mt Mary Quintets Yarra Valley 2013 -Dr John Middleton's baby started in1971. Bordeaux varieties of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot and Malbec are used. Complex deep purple colour. Complex berry fruits, hints of cabernet dust and layers of brambly notes. Full flavour, restrained in its attack but supported by obvious tannins.





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- · Foot and ankle

Contact Details

All appointments:

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DR DAEVYD RODDA

MBBS, Dip Surg Anat, FRACS, FAOrthA

Orthopaedic Surgeon

After graduating from medicine at Monash University in 2004, Dr. Rodda worked and trained in the field of Orthopaedics at some of the most prestigious hospitals in Melbourne. During this time, he was awarded an honorary fellowship at the University of Melbourne Department of Anatomy. Dr Rodda maintains an active interest in orthopaedic trauma and providing excellent outcomes, even in very complex cases. He has also done further post-fellowship training in various centres of excellence throughout Europe and North America, particularly in the field of joint replacement surgery of the lower limb and sports knee injuries.

Dr Rodda is widely regarded for his Anterior Minimally Invasive Total Hip Replacement surgery. He teaches this complex operation to other surgeons throughout Australia. Dr Rodda performs both primary and in select cases, revision hip replacement via the anterior approach.

Dr Rodda maintains an active interest in orthopaedic trauma and providing excellent outcomes, even in very complex cases.

He places a huge emphasis on delivering the highest quality surgical results with a compassionate and caring approach.

Outside work, Daevyd is enjoying the Sunshine Coast's warmer weather and his recreational hobbies including running, swimming, water-sports and travel.

Professional memberships:

- Australian Orthopaedic Association
- American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons
- · Royal Australasian College of Surgeons
- Sunshine Coast Local Medical Association



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

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SUNSHINE COAST LOCAL MEDICAL ASSOCIATION Inc. MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING THURSDAY 22 JUNE 2017

Maroochydore Surf Club Function Room, Maroochydore Accepted at Commitee Meeting 27 July 2017)

Attendance: Drs Roger Faint, Mark de Wet, Peter Ruscoe, Kirsten Hoyle, Alicia Lorenz, Fabio Brecciaroli, Di Minuskin, Scott Masters, Mason Stevenson.(Observer Jo Bourke).

Apologies: Drs John Evans, Marcel Knesl, Jon Harper, Wayne Herdy and Tau Boga.

Minutes of last meeting: 25 May 2017 (*To be accepted*). Moved: Peter Ruscoe. Seconded: Di Minuskin. Accepted.

Business arising from Minutes:

Discussion re printing of generic cards for SCLMA. Jo to obtain prices from Snap Printing.

President's Report: Dr Roger Faint

- Kevin Hegarty has resigned. We have invited him to attend our meeting at 6 pm to celebrate/commiserate. We will have nibblies and drinks initially with the Mx committee then a small gift at the initial part of our education meeting. Kevin can then stay or leave. I have spoken to Dr McIntosh, ENT, and he is comfortable with this approach. He is by far the longest serving CEO of any health district in QLD.
- 2. The Medical School is in Status Quo.
- I travelled to Townsville recently for the RDAQ conference. I met briefly Dr Bill Boyd, AMAQ President and Cameron Dick MP, QLD Health Minister. They are both well aware of the SCLMA and in particular our efforts with the Medical School. Dr Boyd mentioned our membership size and was impressed with our newsletter.
- 4. I encourage you all to fax your local member regarding the Health Practitioner Regulation Law Amendment Proposal 2017 if not already done.
- 5. Please like us on Facebook if not already done
- 6. I need your thoughts regarding snappier meetings and a 'gong'

Vice President's Report: Dr Wayne Herdy – 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:

- Australia Post Account May 2017
- Jo Bourke Secretariat May 2017
- Jo Bourke Adobe CC subscription May 2017
- Snap Printing Newsletter June 2017
- Jo Bourke Newsletter June 2017

Moved: Peter Ruscoe 'that the accounts as tabled be approved for payment' – Seconded: Roger Faint. Carried.

(b) Membership Report:

- Dr Bree Morris (Orthopaedic Registrar, SCUH)
- Dr Brett Sillars (Endocrinology, SCUH)
- Dr Ebony Stock (GP Buderim Marketplace MC)
- Dr Franz Weil (Surgical Assistant)
- Dr Shaun Rudd (GP)

Moved: Peter Ruscoe 'that the membership applications be accepted. Seconded: Roger Faint. Carried.

AMAQ Councillor's Report: Dr Wayne Herdy – Apology.

Meetings Convenor Report: Dr Scott Masters.

 Tentative date 4 November 2017 – depends on interest and numbers.

Hospital Liaison Report: Dr Marcel Knesl – Apology.

PHN Country to Coast Report: *Dr Jon Harper (Apology – report tabled).*

- From July, GPs will have access to the Sunshine Coast Hospital and Health Service viewer. This will allow GPs to directly access radiology reports, pathology, and clinical documents created within SCHHS. GPs must register for the "Health Provider Portal (HPP)" and will be receiving packs from their PHN practice support officers.
- The PHN is collating local responses to the Health Needs Assessment for stakeholder and consumer surveys. The team is focusing on vulnerable high risk groups such as people at risk of homelessness and culturally and linguistically diverse consumers.
- The Stepped Care Mental Health tender evaluation process is underway to be completed for board approval by July 2017. The Stepped Care Mental Health program is part of the national mental health reform. Flexible mental health funding will be provided to PHNs to commission organisations to work within this framework. It aims to provide a continuum of primary mental health services within a stepped care approach that will ensure a range of service types, making the best use of available workforce and technology, are available within the

SUNSHINE COAST LOCAL MEDICAL ASSOCIATION Inc.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
THURSDAY 22 JUNE 2017
Maroochydore Surf Club Function Room,
Maroochydore
MINUTES

(Accepted at Commitee Meeting 27 JULY 2017) /Cont:

local region to better match with individual and population need

 The HealthPathways GP clinical editing team is continuing to localise pathways in collaboration with a number of specialists. Nearly all of the specialist referral information pages are now live, providing a single point of truth for service information and referral criteria. A number of mental health clinical pathways are in the process of localisation, in line with the upcoming Stepped Care Mental Health reform.

General Business: Nil

Committee members then enjoyed chatting and reminiscing with Kevin Hegarty, CE, SCHHS and wishing him well for the future.

Meeting Close: 7.10pm

Next meeting: Thursday 27 July 2017.

Maroochydore Surf Club.

Dr Mark de Wet, Honorary Secretary.

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Partner Mship: \$33
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Paragraph (a) "Create or be likely to create unwarranted and unrealistic expectations about the effectiveness of the health services advertised"

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TAKE FIVE



A DIVORCE FOR CHRISTMAS

An elderly man in Oklahoma calls his son in New York and says, "I hate to ruin your day son, but I have to tell you that your mother and I are getting a divorce; 45 years of marriage... and that much misery is enough!"

"Dad, what are you talking about?" the son yells. "We can't stand the sight of each other any longer," the old dad explained. "We're sick of each other, and I'm sick of talking about this, so you call your sister in Hong Kong and tell her!".

Frantic, the son calls his sister, who explodes on the phone. "Like heck they're getting divorced," she shouts, "I'll take care of this." She calls her elderly father immediately, and screams at him, "You are not getting divorced. Don't do a single thing until I get there. I'm calling my brother back, and we'll both be there tomorrow. Until then, don't do a thing, you hear me?" she yelled as she hung up the phone.

The old man hangs up his phone and turns to his wife. "Okay", he says, "it's all set. They're both coming for Christmas and paying their own air-fare.

FROM ROLLS-ROYCE STAFF MAGAZINE

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The horrified Yanks sent Rolls Royce the disastrous results of the experiment, along with the designs of the windshield and begged the British scientists for suggestions.

.Rolls Royce responded with a one-line memo: "Defrost the chicken."





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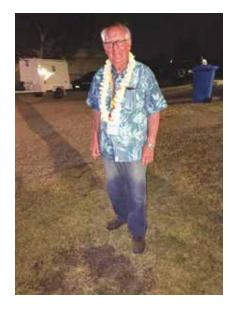
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August 2017

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SCLMA CLINICAL MEETING - 27 JULY 2017

Maroochydore Surf Club Function Room

Speaker: Dr William Craddock, Sports & Exercise Physician

Topic: Tendinopathy, particularly medical management, including GTN therapy

Speaker: Dr Jo Brown, Physio, SportsMed Sunshine Coast Topic: Rehabilitation of Tendinopathies, especially recent advances

Speaker: Dr Peter Georgius, Pain Medicine Specialist

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