

International College of Dentists Australasian Section

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President's message

What a good party we had at the Athenaeum, in Melbourne, 10 May 2002, all 71 Fellows including 11 new inductees and partners. A very successful function indeed.

As our Treasurer, Gerry Dickinson said 'we should do this more often'. The Board of Regents agreed and it was decided to organize a similar type of dinner for Fellows and partners in each State once a year, between Convocations. These dinners are primarily for fellowship with small induction ceremonies when required. State Regents will organize the functions with the assistance of our Registrar, Braham Pearlman.

Fellowship is an essential part of an honour society such as our International College of Dentists. It encourages Fellows to get to know each other better and strengthens the bonds of good ethics and good professional practice. The breadth of dental disciplines which is encompassed by our membership must stimulate both graduate and postgraduate study and practice.

Another aspect of our College, which the Regent's meeting addressed, was our overseas projects. We had agreed to assist New Zealand dental students, to attend the New Zealand Dental Association Biennial Conference, in Auckland this September. Braham Pearlman, reported on the donation of KaVo handpieces to the Samoa Health Service. Most importantly, it was agreed that we offer support to those dentists and Fellows who already had projects up and running in New Guinea, Cambodia, Vietnam, East Timor and India. We hope to hear more of these projects soon and to assist in this international area of dental care.

Neil Henry President



President, Neil Henry, presenting his report to the dinner meeting, May 2002, Melbourne.

Registrar's report

The Australasian Section remains strong with a membership of 437, including 61 Fellows from New Zealand, two from Fiji, one from Malaysia, and one in the United Kingdom. Some 25 Fellows from Australia and New Zealand have been awarded Life Membership status on their retirement from practice in the last 12 months.

It is with extreme regret that we have noted the sad passing since the last Convocation of Fellows; John Booth, Bob Carter, Bill Chalmers - former Regent and Treasurer, Neville Cox, George Gow-Gates, Cyril (Bill) Martin and Chris Somerville.

A number of Fellows have received national honours since the last convention:

Geoff Heithersay AO Lloyd O'Brien AO Geoff Hall AM Bill Wilson OAM Vin Amerena PSM

Peter Barnard Pat Colgan Jenny Smythe **David Thomson** Honorary Life Membership ADA Honorary Life Membership ADA ADA Service Medallion Honorary Life Membership ADAQ

President: Treasurer: Neil Henry AM

Gerry R Dickinson

Regents: Registrar: Gerry R Dickinson Braham Pearlman

Past President:

International Councillor:

Richard G Cook AM

Geoffrey C Hall AM

Geoffrey C Hall AM Clive B Ross CNZM Vice President:

Robert Butler

Peter Noblet

Don O'Donoghue Gerry Dickinson Brent Stanley David Thomson Brian Wheeler

Honorary Life Membership ADAQ Distinguished Service Award ADAVic

Member FDI Council Member FDI Council

SA Council of Professions award for service to the

Flying Doctor Service

Fellows currently serving in high office in a number of organizations include:

Peter Noblet President, Australian Dental

Council

Jeff Annan Secretary General, Asia Pacific

Dental Federation

Stewart Edward Head of the Lakeland District

Health Board, New Zealand

David Marshall Head of Hawkes Bay District

Health Board, New Zealand

Clive Ross Member, Ministerial Committee

advising on Health Workforce

Strategy, New Zealand

David Crum President, New Zealand Dental

Association

Robin Whyman Dental Practice Commission, FDI David Thomson President, Australian Dental

President, Australian Dental Association, FDI Councillor (Asia

Pacific Region)

Martin Tyas Science Commission, FDI

Recently, five Fellows were amongst those honoured in the Queen's Birthday awards list:

John Dale AO Patrick Colgan AM Rowan Story AM Fred Widdop AM John Cooney OAM

A very successful Induction and Dinner was held in Brisbane in May 2001 in conjunction with the ADA Congress. Thirty new Fellows were inducted.

The Australian Dental Association has launched its new web site this year, which includes an information page provided by the International College of Dentistry.

Through the good offices of our Fellow Dr Tony McLaughlin, a donation of 50 KaVo high speed handpieces has been made from the ICD to the Samoan Health Service. The handpieces were provided by the New South Wales Government Employees Health Clinic.

An Australasian ICD Convocation will be held in Auckland, September 2002, in conjunction with the New Zealand Dental Association Biennial Congress. The Convenors of the meeting will be Clive Ross and Tom Speed. The President, Vice President and Registrar of the Australasian Section will attend.

An ICD Convocation will be held in New Orleans, United States, 16-17 October 2002, in association with the American Dental Association annual meeting.

An international meeting of the ICD will be held in Sydney in September 2003, in conjunction with the FDI Congress. This will be held at a separate venue to the Darling Harbour location, but within the central business district.

On a personal note, I would like to acknowledge the outstanding and essential help I have received from Rob Butler in assuming the duties of Registrar.

Braham Pearlman Registrar

College luncheon Auckland

The College will be holding a luncheon in Auckland to coincide with the New Zealand Dental Association Biennial Conference.

This will be an excellent opportunity to meet Australian and New Zealand Fellows and renew acquaintances. The President of the ICD Australasian Section, Neil Henry, will be attending. This will give Fellows an excellent opportunity to discuss issues and progress of the College.

It will be held at the Hotel Crown Plaza, Albert Street, Auckland, 20 September 2002, from 12 noon to 2 pm. The cost is \$45 per person and Fellows are welcome to bring guests.

Those Fellows wishing to attend are requested to contact Clive Ross, by the end of August by fax: + 64 9 3077134 or email: clivross@ihug.co.nz

Cheques should be made payable to Clive Ross.

NZDA awards

It was pleasing to see four Fellows honoured, in recent awards by the New Zealand Dental Association.

The immediate past President of the New Zealand Dental Association, Stewart Edward, has been made an Honorary Life Member of the Association.

The award of Fellow of the NZDA has been made to:

Dexter Bambery Chairman of the New Zealand

Disciplinary Tribunal

Robert Max Chairman of the Research

Foundation

Barrie Pratt long serving Chairman of the

Dental Health Foundation

New Inducted Fellows - Melbourne, May 2002



John Boucher BDSc (Melb), LDS (Vic)
General practitioner,
Greensborough, Vic
Senior Clinical Demonstrator and
Senior Fellow, School of Dental
Science, University of Melbourne;
Examiner ADEC/ADC; ADA Vic
Branch Committee Member
(Defence, Regulation Review,
Industrial Relations).



Grant Keogh BDS (Syd), MDSc (Syd) Specialist practice in orthodontics, Wagga Wagga, NSW Past Secretary, ACT Dental Group; Southern Division ADA (NSW) past Secretary; Archive Committee, Australian Society of Orthodontists.



Stephen Cottrell BDSc (Melb), MSD (Indiana), Cert Perio (Indiana) Specialist practice in periodontics, Melbourne, Vic Consultant in periodontics, Alfred and Royal Melbourne Hospitals; Clinical teacher, University of Melbourne; President, Australian Society of Periodontology; past Councillor, ADA Vic Branch.



David Pavia BDSc (Melb)
General practitioner, Geelong, Vic
Past Councillor, ADA Vic Branch;
past President, ADA Southern
Group; Member and past Chair, ADA
Vic Branch Third Party Liaison
Committee; Convenor, Geelong
Hospital Accident and Emergency
Services (Dental).



Ted Crawford BDSc (Melb), MDSc (Melb)
Specialist practice in orthodontics, Melbourne, Vic
Lecturer, University of Melbourne; Visiting Lecturer, Universities of Sydney and Western Australia; Member, Editorial Board, Journal of Aesthetic Dentistry; Chairman, Congress Organising Committee, 15th ASO Congress; Chairman, Publicity and Publications, 27th Australian Dental Congress, Melbourne 1993.



Hugo Sachs BDS (Syd), MDS (Syd) General practitioner, Harden, NSW Vice-President, ADA NSW Branch; Chair, DHEARC; Co-ordinator, DHW; ADA NSW Branch Infection Control Panel, Property Committee, Benevolent Committee, past Chair, Southern Division.



James Curtain BDSc (Melb), MDSc (Melb), LDS (Vic)
Specialist practice in orthodontics,
Melbourne, Vic
Senior Fellow and Senior Clinical
Demonstrator, Postgraduate Orthodontic Department, University of
Melbourne; Federal Councillor and
past Honorary Secretary,
Australian Society of Orthodontists;
Executive, ASO Vic Branch; past
President, ASO Vic Branch.



Timothy Stolz BSc (Hons) (ANU), BDSc (Melb), LDS FPFA General practitioner, Geelong, Vic Past Clinical Demonstrator, Department Restorative Dentistry, University of Melbourne; past Chair, Postgraduate Committee, ADA Vic Branch; past ADEC Examiner; Inaugural President and Executive, Australian Osseointegration Society; Councillor and Executive, ADA Vic Branch, past President and Executive Southern Group, ADA Vic Branch; Lecturer, Clinical and Implant dentistry.



Shane Fryer BDS (Syd), MDSc (Syd), FRACDS
Specialist practice in orthodontics,
Wollongong, NSW
Past President, ADA NSW Branch;
Federal Councillor, ADA; FDI
Congress Sydney 2003 Organising
Committee; Federal Councillor, ASO;
Specialist Clinical Associate,
University of Sydney.



Frank van der Linden BDS (Adel) General practice, Adelaide, SA Past President, ADA SA Branch; current member, Federal ADA Schedule Committee; SA State Branch Health Fund Liaison Officer; Assessor for the AMADA Infection Control service.



Don Haig BDSc (Melb), DDS (Toronto), FDS RCS, FRACDS Specialist practice in periodontics, Melbourne, Vic Past Clinician and Lecturer Periodontics, University of Melbourne; Consultant, Monash Medical Centre; Inaugural President, Australian and New Zealand Academy of Periodontists; past President, Australian Society of Periodontology Vic Branch; Examiner RACDS (Perio).

Australian Fellows in Queen's Birthday Honours lists

It is with pleasure we note that five Fellows featured in the recent Queen's Birthday Honours list, for services to dentistry and the community. This is an unusually high number of awards for dentistry in such lists.

Dr John W Dale (previously appointed as a Member of the Order of Australia in 1991) has been appointed an Officer (AO) in the Order of Australia. John is a past President of the Australian Dental Council and of the Australian Dental Association, New South Wales Branch. Currently, John is the President of the Dental Board of New South Wales, in which capacity he has served for a number of years.

Dr Patrick J Colgan has been appointed a Member (AM) in the Order of Australia. Pat is the immediate Past Federal President of the Australian Dental Association and ADA Western Australian Branch past President, and a member of the Australian Dental Council.

Mr Rowan D Story RFD, a Victorian oral and maxillofacial surgeon, has been appointed a Member (AM) in the Order of Australia. Rowan is a past President of the Dental Board of Victoria.

Dr Fred T Widdop, a past Federal and Victorian Branch President of the ADA, has been appointed a Member (AM) in the Order of Australia. Fred has been involved as a consultant to the Department of Veterans' Affairs and has served on the Board of Dental Health Services Victoria. Currently, he is Chairman of the ADA Constitution Committee and Vice Chairman of the Australian Dental Research Foundation.

Dr John J Cooney, a prominent general practitioner in Sydney's eastern suburbs, has been awarded a Medal (OAM) in the Order of Australia. John has served on a number of committees of the ADA New South Wales Branch and has been Chairman of the panel of honorary dentists for the Spastic Centre of New South Wales for over 20 years.

Congratulations to all recipients.

The Kokoda walk

Fellow and Victorian periodontist, Dr Ross Bastiaan OAM RFD, has again displayed his many talents with the publication of his recent guidebook on *The Kokoda Walk in the Dandenong Ranges National Park*.

The book has just taken first prize in the Victorian Government's 'Victorian Community History Awards 2002, Best Walks/Tours Section'.

Ross developed this book to go with an outdoor history lesson/walk he constructed in 1997 in a quiet, peaceful gully in the Dandenongs. The area is similar in some ways to the Kokoda Trail on which he placed plaques in 1992.

Readers would remember Ross's talents in producing these magnificent plaques to commemorate Australian battlefields at both Kokoda and Gallipoli. On the Dandenongs walk, people are able to follow the 1000 steps up the hill/gully, and the plaques on the way illustrate features of the Kokoda battle. Some 55 000 people undertook the walk last year and last Anzac day drew many more to the site.

Ross has published a similar guide to the Gallipoli battlefields which is only on sale at the museum at Anzac Cove, the profits of which he has donated to the Turkish National Park on the Gallipoli peninsula.

Professor Martin Tyas

Fellows would be delighted to learn that Martin Tyas, who has gained an international reputation as a lecturer and researcher in the area of laboratory and clinical evaluation of dental materials, has been appropriately recognized by the University of Melbourne with promotion to Professor.

Martin is a member of the FDI Science Commission and has led the Australian dental delegation to the International Organization for Standardization for several years.

Overseas Aid projects

The Board of Regents is anxious to hear suggestions from Fellows as to suitable projects which might deserve College support. This support would normally take the form of financial aid, to assist the provision of equipment and supplies or assist in the training of dental personnel.

Recently, the United States Section of the College provided almost \$50 000 in a grant to fund a dental public health programme in Vietnam. The Australasian Section is primarily concerned with the Pacific region and has given significant aid in the past to Papua New Guinea, Fiji, Samoa and the Solomon Islands.

Suggestions for possible aid to developing countries with whom Australasian Fellows are involved would be appreciated. Requests can be directed to any of the Board of Regents for processing.