



*Section VIII*  
*Australasia Section*

*CENTENARY DINNER  
and  
INDUCTION CEREMONY*



*Argyle Ballroom  
Parmelia Hilton Perth  
Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> October 2021*



## **PROGRAM**

*Pre-dinner Drinks and Canapes*

*Welcome and Registrar's Report  
Dr Jenny Ball*

*President's Address  
Dr Rick Sawers AM*

*Message from ICD Centenary President,  
Dr Akira Senda of Japan*

*International Councillor, Dr Clive Ross CNZM  
"Reflections on 100 years for ICD"*

*Induction Ceremony*

*Special Presentations & Conclusion*

*Dinner*





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**Honoring the World's Leading Dentists since 1920™**

### Mission Statement

**The International College of Dentists is the pre-eminent global dental honour society recognizing professional achievement and meritorious service while advocating for humanitarian and educational initiatives.**

### Core Values

**Leadership:** Uphold the highest standard of professional competence and personal ethics.

**Recognition:** Recognise distinguished service to the profession and the public worldwide.

**Humanitarianism:** Foster measures for the prevention and treatment of oral disease by encouraging and supporting humanitarian projects.

**Education:** Contribute to the advancement of the profession of dentistry by fostering the growth and diffusion of dental knowledge worldwide.

**International Professional Relations:** Provide a universal international forum for the cultivation of cordial relations within the profession and assist in preserving the highest perception of the profession worldwide.

## Message from Centenary International President



Firstly, on behalf of ICD, I welcome and congratulate the new Fellows who are being inducted into Section VIII on this special occasion. You and your families and friends should be so proud of your induction into an organisation that has been ***"Honoring the World's Leading Dentists since 1920™"***. Each of you is being recognised tonight for your achievements in dentistry and in society. The contributions of ICD Fellows are spread throughout countries and continents around the world beyond national borders

and create an international exchange of advances in dentistry. Your individual contributions make people happier and healthier and are greatly appreciated. Each of you exemplifies the ICD motto ***"recognizing service and the opportunity to serve"***.

As you know, the ICD centenary celebrations were supposed to be held in September 2020 in Japan, the birthplace of ICD. However, the world crisis caused by COVID-19 led to postponement then cancellation of the centenary events in Japan and I did not have the opportunity to welcome all of you to our ***"First Centennial Celebration"***.

Given the ongoing COVID crisis, I can only be with you tonight through the brief video message that I have sent. Know that I am with you in spirit. I wish all Section VIII Fellows an enjoyable and memorable convocation and centenary celebration. Let us continue to work and walk together for a bright future as members of ***"One Team having One Dream!"***

*Dr Akira Senda*, Professor Emeritus, Aichi Gakuin University, Nagoya Japan

## Greetings from the Incoming International President



I bring greetings to the Fellows of Section VIII. I wish you well and hope your induction will be a festive and fulfilling time for the new Fellows that will be joining the College. Section VIII has a long tradition of strong organization, proactive Fellows, and innovative ideas that work to enhance membership. Many capable and involved leaders have come from your Section and all have made significant contributions to the College.

These times of the pandemic have been challenging and have required the College to adapt and overcome many obstacles. I am proud to say the College has answered these challenges and has used many different

methods to carry on business. While some Sections are still having difficulties, there are Sections that have thrived as well as possible amid all the uncertainty. Section VIII has maintained business, while not quite as usual, in a confident and positive manner. Congratulations!

It is my hope that in the coming year the College and the College Office will assist those Sections that need help. In addition, it is essential that there is more communication between the College and the Sections, and the Sections should communicate with other Sections as we work to move forward. The College Office will be available to help with this communication and share best practices that Sections have discovered, especially in the new way we carry on business and inductions.

We can only succeed if we work together to ensure we all come out of these strange times in which we now exist, as a stronger and invigorated College representing all Fellows around the globe.

*Dr Richard Smith*, International President, USA

## NEW FELLOWS

### **DR BRENT ALLAN**

BDS (Otago), FRACDS, MDS (UWA), MDS (UWA), FFDRCS (Ireland), FDSRCS (England)

Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon, West Leederville, WA

Current Head of the Oral and Maxillofacial Department at St John of God Subiaco Hospital. Areas of surgical special interest include advanced osseointegrated implant techniques, correction of dentofacial deformities and maxillofacial reconstruction. Previous international appointments include Consultant in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at the University of Washington, Seattle. Previous national appointments include Consultant in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at Princess Margaret Hospital, Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital and Fremantle Hospital. Publications include scientific articles and textbook chapters.



### **A/PROF ROBERT P ANTHONAPPA**

BDS (UWA), MDS (Hong Kong), AdvDipDS (Hong Kong), MRACDS, MPaedRCSEd, PhD (Hong Kong), FDSRCS

Specialist Paediatric Dentist, UWA

Division Head, Oral Development and Behavioural Sciences.

Discipline Lead and Program Convenor, Paediatric Dentistry.

Co-ordinator, Doctor of Clinical Dentistry. Lead, Paediatric Oral

Health Research Group. Region Councillor for IADR ANZ WA.

Research advisor for Australian Dental Research Foundation.

Interim Dean and Head, UWA Dental School 2018 – 2020. Over

80 publications of scientific papers in national and international

peer-reviewed journals and book chapters. Young Scientist

Award, European Academy of Paediatric Dentistry.



### **A/PROF JOHAN K M APS** (*in absentia*)

DDS (Ghent University, Belgium), MSc Paed Dent (Ghent

University), PhD (Ghent University), MSc DMFR (London

University, UK)

Professor and Researcher at Artevelde University of Applied Sciences, Ghent, Belgium

Associate Professor, University of WA Dental School. Discipline

Head DMFR and Divisional Head of Oral Diagnostic and

Surgical Sciences. Associate Editor of Journal of

Dentomaxillofacial Radiology; Editorial Board Member of

several dental journals. Author of several textbooks, book

chapters, peer-reviewed journal publications and congress

abstracts. Key opinion leader and co-founder of the Dental

Hitec Academy for Excellence in Local Anaesthesia. Former

appointment with the University of Washington, Seattle, USA.







### **DR SEAN ARCHIBALD**

BDS (UWA)

General Practitioner, Nedlands, WA

Current President of Western Australian Branch of ADA.

Member of ADAWA Council and executive committee. Chair

of ADAWA Volunteers Committee since 2016. Member of

Western Australian National Dental Foundation/Australian

Dental Health Foundation Committee since 2013.



### **DR MEREDITH ELISE ARCUS**

BDS (UWA), MBBS (UWA), FRACGP, MBA (Curtin), Grad

Dip Health Services Mgt (Monash)

Medical General Practitioner

Forty years in public and private dentistry and medicine. In

1992 established the Sally Joyston-Bechal Dental Study

Group in Western Australia. Member of the RACGP Red Book

Editorial Committee – Oral Health chapter. Examiner and

Quality Assessor RACGP clinical exam 2004-2019. Member

of the Medical Board of NT (2006-2007). Advisor, Australian

Federal Minister for Health and Ageing (2009-2010).

Executive Director of Medical Services rural and remote QLD,

NT and WA. Assessor with the Australian Council on

Healthcare Standards (ACHS).



### **DR GOSIA BARLEY**

BDS (UWA), MDS (Hons) (Sydney), MRACDS, MOrtho,  
RCSEd

Orthodontist, Fremantle

Private practitioner and principal orthodontist in Smile Time

Orthodontics since 2009, serving communities with Perth

metro and regional (Dinsborough) office locations. Founding

member and chair 2011 – 2019 of OrthoEdPro, a continuing

education platform for interdisciplinary education and

conferences for the dental profession within Perth. Founding

committee member of Women in Dentistry 2014 – 2016;

President of Women in Dentistry 2016 – 2018. Founded the

Healing Smiles Program in 2013, a clinician volunteer program

within Women in Dentistry for treatment of victims of domestic

violence in Perth. Clinical Coordinator for Healing Smiles

2018 – 2019.

**DR GRAHAM CARMICHAEL**

BDS (Hons) (UWA), FRACDS, DClinDentPros (Sydney), MRACDS Pros  
Prosthodontist, West Perth  
Director of The Brånemark Center Perth. Consultant Prosthodontist Craniofacial Unit, Perth Children's Hospital since 2013 and to the Maxillofacial Department, Royal Perth Hospital since 2016. Senior Clinical Lecturer at the University of Western Australia Dental School. Australian Prosthodontic Society (APS) WA Branch Councillor 2007-2016. APS Federal Treasurer 2008-2011. Member of the ADAWA CPD Committee 2006-2021.

**DR JENNIFER LOK MUN CHAN**

BDS (UWA)  
General Practitioner, West Perth  
President of the Children's Health Aid Team (CHAT), leading the organisation's vision and community outreach. Leader of volunteer dental teams in rural and remote areas of Vietnam. Presentations at not for profit organisations and institutions to promote volunteer opportunities. Clinical supervision, teaching and mentoring of dental students on volunteer trips. Owner and Principal Dentist of Simply Teeth.

**DR LAURA A DALTON-ECKER**

DDS (Indiana, USA)  
Associate Professor & Full-time Lecturer, University of WA  
Lecturer in Restorative Dentistry; past Associate Dean; serving on and chairing many university committees since 1988 and sat on various UWA interviewing panels. Served on the Australian Dental Council Assessment Committee (ADC) and the UWA Continuing Education Committee (UCDEC), both for 10 years. Received numerous teaching awards over the past 30 years including Excellence in Teaching Awards and the Students' Choice Award. Other areas of teaching include pre-clinical teaching and tutoring in endodontics, periodontics and fixed and removable prosthodontics, preventive dentistry, dental public health and community dentistry. Clinical supervision of second, third and final year dental students. Developed and implemented Special Needs Dentistry into the UWA dental curriculum, receiving the prestigious "Count Us In" award from the National Disability Commission.





### **THE HONOURABLE JOHN H D DAY**

BDS (UWA)

General Practitioner (Retired)

Member of Western Australian Parliament for 24 years, 1993-2017. Minister for Health 1998-2001 and 2016-2017. Minister for Planning; Culture and the Arts; Science and Innovation; Police and Emergency Services during 12 ½ years in the Western Australian Cabinet. Dentist at Perth Dental Hospital 1983-1986 and private practice 1986-1993. Currently Chairman of the Library Board of Western Australia.



### **DR RAJ D K DHALIWAL** (*in absentia*)

BDS (Birmingham), MDentSci (Birmingham), MFGDPRCS, LLM (Manchester), MRACDS(DPH)

Dento Legal Manager at MDA National

Examiner at the Australian Dental Council and Royal Australasian College of Dental Surgeons. Board of Studies Member RACDS. Previously a dento legal adviser for DPL in the UK and Australia, clinical advisor for NHS England West Midlands and trustee for the British Dental Association Benevolent Fund.



### **DR GARRY A ECKER**

BDS (Hon) (UWA), MDD (Indiana, USA), Cert Fixed Remov Pros (Indiana, USA), MRACD

Prosthodontist, Wembley, Perth

Past federal and state President, Australian Prosthodontic Society. ADA representative on the Australian Resuscitation Council (WA). Past Clinical Supervisor for MDSc program at the University of Sydney. Guest lecturer in prosthodontics at UWA and Curtin University.



### **DR AMIT GURBUXANI**

BDS (UWA), MDPPH (UWA), MRACDS (DPH)

General Practitioner, Perth

Partner at Mi Dental, Perth. Senior Clinical Lecturer, UWA Dental School since 2014. Clinical Co-ordinator of final year dental students, UWA 2016 – 2018. Vice-President ADAWA since 2020. Co-Chair of the Recent Graduate Committee ADAWA 2016 – 2019. Committee Member of the Western Australian Dental Foundation since 2016. Vice-President UWA Dental Alumni Committee. Awarded UDSS (University Dental Student Society) Honorary Life Membership, UWA, 2018. Awarded the Endeavour Post-Graduate Scholarship by the Australian government 2009.



**DR FRITZ HEITZ**

BDS (UWA), MDS (Perio) (Melbourne), Cert Perio Impl  
Occl Pros (Bern), Dr. med. Dent. (Bern)  
Periodontist, Leederville, WA  
Past President Dental Study Group WA. Council member  
Australian Periodontal Research Fund. Editorial board  
member AJPID. WA regional coordinator ITI since 2009.  
Perth West ITI Study Club Director since 2010. Past President  
of ASP(WA) and national ASP. ITIAS study club coordinator  
2016-2021. 5 research publications.

**DR ANDREW P HOSSEN**

BDS (UWA)  
General Practitioner, South Perth  
Federal Secretary and Treasurer, Australian Society of  
Endodontology (ASE), 2003-2005. Australian Society of  
Endodontology (ASE WA), Secretary and Treasurer 1997-  
1998; President 1999-2000; Committee member 1997- 2010.  
Member of the ADAWA Dental Cases Committee 2002-2004;  
Dental Cases Panel WA member since 2004; Director since  
2016; Chairman since 2018. External examiner for final year  
dental students, University of WA 2015-2019.

**DR JANICE P M KAN**

BDS (Hons) (UWA), DCDPros (Melbourne)  
Prosthodontist, South Perth  
Founder of the Centre for Prosthodontics in 2011. Past  
President of the Academy of Australian and New Zealand  
Prosthodontists (AANZP). Founder and past president of the  
Women in Dentistry Society WA. Member of the Dental  
Specialists Society of Western Australia (DSSWA). Member  
and guest lecturer for the American College of  
Prosthodontists (ACP), International College of  
Prosthodontists (ICP), Australian Prosthodontic Society  
(APS), Australasian Osseointegration Society (AOS) and  
Australian Dental Association (ADA). Fellow and registered  
lecturer of the International Team of Implantology (ITI).  
Adjunct senior clinical lecturer (UWA) in prosthodontics.  
Founded the Centre for Prosthodontics Education which has  
provided continuing professional development for dentists  
over the past decade.





### **DR JEREMY P KEATING**

BDS (UWA)

General Practitioner, Perth & Subiaco

Private general practitioner for over 22 years. Involved with lecturing, teaching and mentoring to local dentist, dental therapist and dental hygienist groups since 2002. Director on the Board of Bridge2Aid Australia since 2016. Volunteer dentist with Bridge2Aid Australia in Tanzania, East Africa in August 2019. Member of the ADAWA Volunteer Committee since 2017.



### **DR STEVEN NAOUM**

BDS (UWA), PhD (Sydney), DClinDent (Orthodontics) (UWA)  
Orthodontist, Perth, Esperance

Current Senior Lecturer in Orthodontics at the University of Western Australia. Lecturer in Tooth Conservation, University of Sydney 2008-2014. Oral Health Lead, The Poche Centre for Indigenous Health 2012-2018. Current co-chair Christian Medical and Dental Fellowship WA. Current national committee member ASO Foundation for Research and Education. Former state councillor ASO WA. Have published 16 articles in peer reviewed journals and presented at several IADR meetings. Outstanding Teaching Award, University of Sydney 2012.



### **DR MARK H NATHAN**

BDS (Otago)

General Practitioner, Margaret River

General Practitioner with an interest in tooth conservation and cost effective aesthetic composite resin solutions to a wide range of problems. Principle of country practice since 1992. Volunteer work in Tamil Nadu, India twice, with Equal Health. Volunteer visits to Nepal in the Kopan Monastery with Project Yeti, to Papua New Guinea with YWAM, and to the Kimberley region, Western Australia, with the KDT. Involved in a dental rehabilitation program in his practice, for women disadvantaged economically and through domestic violence, via the Tuart House Outreach Program.



### **DR M Angie NILSSON** *(in absentia)*

BChD (Leeds), PG(Rest Dent) (UK), MHPEd (JCU), GAICD  
Public Health, Townsville

Clinical director of oral health, researcher, and educator. Current ADA federal councillor. Past President ADA Tasmanian branch. Advocate for closing the gaps of oral health inequalities. Has developed an aged care dental curriculum for dental students as part of a masters research project to highlight the need for change in aged care dentistry. PhD research area is centred around gerodontology and closing the gap on inequality for the oral health of older people.

### **DR EVANGELOS V PAPAGEORGIOU**

BDS (Adelaide)

General Practitioner, Adelaide and Marleston

Nearly 30 years in private dental practice combined with experience in public dental service and university clinical supervision and mentoring. Secretary/Treasurer ASE 1997-1999. ADASA President since 2019; Acting CEO and Public Officer 2020; Vice-President 2018-2019; past member/Chair of the Recent Graduates Committee. ADASA Councillor 2001-2007 and since 2017. ADASA Public Relations Committee member since 2002; Chair 2002-2014 and since 2016. Established ADASA Kindergarten Screening Program for preschool children; ADASA spokesperson and oral health promotion. Chair of ADASA Nominations Committee and 2020 Chair of the Inaugural ADASA Environmental and Sustainability Committee; member of ADASA CPD Committee and various other committees. University of Adelaide Mentor.



### **DR AMANDA PHOON NGUYEN**

BDSc (Melbourne), MRACDS (GDP), DCLinDent (Oral Med)

(UWA), MRACDS (Oral Med), Cert ADL

Oral Medicine Specialist, WA and Northern Territory Consultant, Perth Children's Hospital; Executive, ADA(WA); Treasurer, IADR (Perth Region); Vice President; Dental Specialists Society of WA; Co-Chair Australasian Sleep Association Dental Sleep Medicine Council. Secretary, RACDS (WA); Editor of the RACDS College News, examiner for the MRACDS (GDP) and on the Board of Studies (Oral Medicine). Committee member for region 6 of the European Association of Oral Medicine and WA Dental CPD. Part of WA Orthognathic Multidisciplinary group. Director of the Jaye Radisich Foundation and member of Healing Smiles, a volunteer organization providing pro-bono treatment to victims of domestic violence. Volunteers as mascot Stitches the Bear at a local children's hospital. PhD candidate and Adjunct senior lecturer at UWA. Involved with dental student teaching and has a public appointment at the Oral Medicine Clinic at the Oral Health Centre of WA. Recipient of a peer review award, community service grant and certificate of advanced dental Leadership.



### **DR DONALD J RECHICHI**

BDSc (UWA)

General Practitioner, Peppermint Grove

Over 30 years private practice dentistry in Perth. Previous involvement as a clinical instructor and tutor at the UWA Dental School. Mentor for dental students and new graduates. Qualified commercial pilot and flying instructor. Past volunteering and fund raising with Canteen Foundation and Royal Flying Doctor Service. Current volunteer telephone crisis supporter and mentor Lifeline Australia (WA). Active in his local community in the past with his involvement in sailing coaching and development programmes at state and national level. Proudest sailing moment was watching daughter Elise and crew win the gold medal at the 2008 Beijing Olympics in the 470 Class.







### **DR GIRISH SASIDHARAN**

BDS (MGR Medical University, Chennai, India), MRACDS (GDP)

General Practitioner, Hobart

Dental Officer and Clinical Supervisor, Oral Health Services TAS since 2013. Director and Principal Dentist, Island Dental Pty Ltd. Principal Dentist, Island Dental Mobile offering dental services to aged care residents in Tasmania. Part-time dentist, Royal Flying Doctors Services for the east coast of Tasmania since 2019. Consultant and visiting dentist for Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre. ADA TAS, current President; Chair of Committee for Oral Health Promotion since 2019. Associate Lecturer, School of Dentistry, James Cook University since 2013. Associate Lecturer, School of Dentistry, University of Queensland 2011-2017. Associate Lecturer, School of Dentistry, The University of Adelaide 2013-2014. Committee member, Community Languages Tasmania since 2018. Past Treasurer, Indian Medical Association Tasmania. Actively involved in providing public dental services in Australia since 2008 including remote indigenous communities in the Northern Territory, Tasmania and correctional facilities. Provides pro bono dental services with ADHF.



### **DR LISA C STANDING**

BDS (UWA), Grad Dip Forensic Odontology (UWA)

General Practitioner, Perth City

General Dental Practitioner in private practice for 30 years. Clinical tutor UWA/Oral Health Centre of WA for 25 years in general restorative and paediatric clinics, removable prosthodontics and complete denture laboratories. Mentor for local and international students. Tutor rep OHCWA since 2018. Volunteer on three overseas missions with Children's Health Aid Team (Vietnam), serving as team leader on two missions. Volunteer clinician for St Patricks Dental Clinic, Fremantle. Special interest in delivering dentistry to school students from drug and alcohol affected families and teenage mums. Volunteer alcohol and drug counsellor within a local Perth agency.



### **DR ANDREW THOMPSON**

BDS (UWA)

General Practitioner, Esperance and Mundaring, WA

35 years in private general practice. Part-time teacher at the University of WA Dental School 2004 - 2019 as Clinical Tutor, Lecturer and External Examiner. ADAWA Councillor 1989-1990 and 2003-2004. ASEWA Committee member 2016-2018. Case Manager with Dental Cases Panel (WA) 2017-2020.

### **DR ZARA TORRE**

BDS (UWA), BA/LLB (UWA), MPH (UWA)

General Practitioner, South Perth

ADA Councillor and Board member 2012 – 2015. ADHF (WA)

Council member since 2013; Board member 2018. Helped

establish a fixed dental clinic for ADHF at St Patrick's Community House, Fremantle and provides pro bono dental care at the clinic.

Women in Dentistry Board member and Head of Healing Smiles

Program for victims of domestic violence since 2018. Fund raising for mobile medical van for Christian Medical College in Vellore,

India 2006 and 2013 – 2014. Led a team of dentists and medical

professionals to provide primary health care in Cambodia as part of

the Convergence Program Leadership Team in 2017.



### **A/PROF BATHSHEBA (BETHY) TURTON** *(in absentia)*

BDS (Otago), MComDent (Otago), PhD (Melbourne)

Dental Public Health Specialist, Boston, USA

Currently Assistant Professor at the Henry Goldman School of

Dental Medicine, Boston University and Adjunct Assistant

Professor at the Dental Faculty of the University Puthisastra

(Cambodia). Over the last 10 years, has set up and evaluated

different approaches to the management of dental caries among high risk communities, developing research that now informs local

policy on dental public health in Cambodia. Particular areas of

interest are maternal child health, school based health, growth and development, and management of non-communicable diseases.

Currently conducting a birth cohort study, The Cambodia Health

and Nutrition Monitoring Study, which examines the impact of

chronic dental disease on growth and development of preschool

children. Has active collaborations among different institutions

including the University Puthisastra (Cambodia), UC Berkeley

(USA), the University of Melbourne, the University of Western

Australia, Gandaki Medical College (Nepal), The Jevaia

Foundation (Nepal) and the Mulak Timor Non-Governmental

Organisation (Timor Leste).



## **Section VIII Membership, October 2021**

Including the new Fellows who are being inducted this evening, the Australasia Section of the International College of Dentists has a total membership of 793. This is comprised of:

- 667 Active Members
- 107 Retired Members
- 10 Honorary Life Members (including two Masters)
- 9 Honorary Members

685 Section VIII Fellows are from Australia and 91 from New Zealand. The other Fellows of Section VIII live and work in Cambodia, Eritrea, Fiji (4), Hong Kong, PNG (2), South Africa, Timor Leste, Tonga (2), the UK, and the USA (3).



## Honorary Fellows

The Board may confer Honorary Fellowship upon an individual (not necessarily a dentist) who has rendered conspicuous service to the cause of dental science, has contributed to the promotion of the dental profession or has otherwise significantly advanced the dental profession within the Section. Honorary Fellowship is a rare honour. During the 57 year history of Section VIII, the Board of Regents has awarded Honorary Fellowship to only twelve individuals. The Board has made a concerted effort in recent years to identify colleagues in the Australasian region who deserve the recognition of ICD Honorary Fellowship for their outstanding contributions to the advancement of oral health.

The Board is very proud to formally induct Catherine Snelling and Margie Steffens OAM tonight as Honorary Fellows of Section VIII. The other Honorary Fellows of Section VIII are: Sir Asher Joel (1975), Martin Halas (1990), John Harrington (1995), Peter Lazar AM (2003), Eric Reynolds AO (2008), Laynesh Gebrehiwot (2013), Keith Mentiplay (2018), Wendy Toulmin AM (2018), Alastair Sloan\* (2020) and Janet Wallace\* (2020).

*\*not yet formally inducted*



### **Adjunct A/PROF CATHERINE SNELLING**

Certificate in Dental Therapy (SA Dept of Public Health), Bachelor of Teaching (University of SA), Graduate Certificate Higher Education Dental Therapist, Remote Dental Scheme, SA Health  
Former Associate Professor, University of Adelaide Dental School 2002–2021. Clinical educator for BOH and BDS students since 1988. Senior Tutor, School of Dental Therapy, SA Dept of Public Health 1988-1996. Visiting Lecturer, Centre for Dental Studies, TAFE SA since 1994. Program Coordinator, Diploma of Dental Therapy, University of Adelaide 1997-2002. Curriculum developer, Bachelor of Oral Health, University of Adelaide 2000-2002; inaugural Program Coordinator, Bachelor of Oral Health 2002.

Acting Bachelor of Oral Health program coordinator 2016-2018. Senior Fellow Higher Education Academy (UK). Director of Australian Dental Council since 2012 and currently Vice-President and Chair of the Assessment Committee. Member, Australian Institute of Company Directors. Foundation Member, Australian Dental and Oral Health Therapists Association. Member, ANZ Association of Health Professional Educators. Member, International Society for the Scholarship of Learning and Teaching. Recipient of numerous national teaching awards.

### **MS MARGIE STEFFENS OAM**

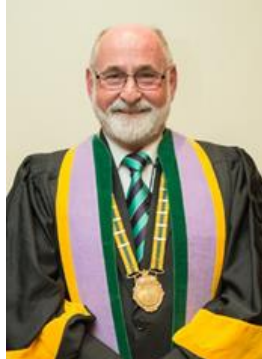
ADHD, BSciDent (Honours) (Adelaide)

Over 25 years in Special Needs Dentistry at Adelaide Dental Hospital. Clinical supervisor and lecturer at the University of Adelaide Dental School and external examiner for ADOH at TAFE. Founder of the Community Outreach Dental Program at Adelaide. National Chair for Aged Care Dental Hygienists Association 2009-2019. Representative on National Aged Care Alliance. Past President and National Councillor for DHAA 2003-2005. Awarded Life Membership of DHAA in 2017. Special Service Award for contribution to dentistry by PFA 2017. Awarded OAM 2017. Publications and co-publications about homelessness and the impact on access to care. Current Chair for special interest group Special Needs Dentistry for DHAA. Volunteer work in Timor Leste 2015 and in Nepal 2017 and 2018.



## HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP

### John Raymond Owen AM



The award of "Honorary Life Member" was introduced by the Section VIII Board in 2006. Honorary Life Members are Active or Retired Fellows in good standing who have made an outstanding contribution to Section VIII as determined by the Section VIII Board of Regents.

The first Section VIII Honorary Life Memberships (HLMs) were awarded in 2007 at a special ceremony in Sydney. International President Don Johnson and Section VIII President Braham Pearlman awarded inaugural Honorary Life Memberships to Syd Dobbin AM (NSW), Derek Freeman AM (NSW), Neil Henry AM (QLD), L Peter Ryan OAM (QLD), Tom Speed (New Zealand) and Geoff Hall AM (SA). Since that time, HLMs have been awarded to Robert Butler (VIC), Dick Cook AM (WA), Don Heffron CBE (NSW), Peter Noblet AM (SA), John Owen AM (WA), Jackie Robinson (NSW), Ron Robinson (NSW), Clive Ross CNZM (New Zealand) and most recently to David Crum ONZM (NZ), Jenny Smyth AM (QLD), David Thomson (QLD) and John Owen AM (QLD). This brings the current number of Honorary Life Members of Section VIII to ten.

John was made an Honorary Life Member of Section VIII in June 2020 but, due to COVID, this evening is the first opportunity to officially present John's HLM certificate to him.

**Dr John Owen AM** has been a Fellow of ICD since 1992 and joined the Section VIII Board as Regent for WA in 2011. He subsequently served in the positions of Treasurer, Vice-President, President and Immediate Past President over the next nine years.

John is a passionate advocate for the recognition of ICD Fellowship. Under John's chairmanship of the ICD WA nominating committee, the number of nominations of WA Fellows increased substantially resulting in 111 Fellows from WA now compared to 66 WA Fellows in 2015 when the WA committee formed. The calibre of nominees from WA has remained outstanding.

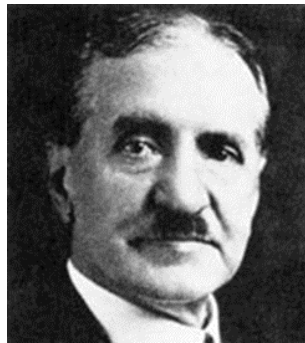
John's many other contributions to ICD, to the dental profession and to the community are highlighted in other sections of this program.



# Celebrating the First 100 Years of ICD



The idea for the International College of Dentists was conceived in Tokyo in 1920 at a farewell party for Dr. Louis Ottofy, a Hungarian dentist living and educated in the USA. When he was returning to the United States after practicing dentistry in the Philippines and Japan for 23 years, a Japanese colleague, Dr. Tsurukichi Okumura, urged Dr. Ottofy to form an international organization of outstanding dentists to create and maintain professional collegiality and friendships, to monitor and evaluate the progress of dentistry internationally, and to disseminate such information to dental colleagues in all countries of the world. Some years later in Philadelphia, USA, a group of dentists met again to finalize the concept of the International College of Dentists and in 1928 the College was incorporated and established with Doctors Ottofy and Okumura as the co-founders.



*Co-founders of the International College of Dentists, Dr. Louis Ottofy and Dr. Tsurukichi Okumura*

The first ICD Board of Governors was comprised of dentists from Australia, Austria, Canada, China, Cuba, England, France, Germany, Japan, India, Italy, South Africa, Spain, Switzerland, Uruguay and the USA. Each Fellow was given the task of nominating other dentists for membership based on the following instructions: "Please nominate the ablest, most progressive, best educated, ethical practitioner in your country, regardless of his place of domicile, nationality, race, color or religion." Originally, 250 dentists accepted the Fellowship oath.

Today, the ICD is a leading, international honour society for dentists with 15 autonomous Sections and an International Section, representing 12,000 Fellows in 122 countries.

Section I, USA  
Section II, Canada  
Section III, Mexico  
Section IV, South America  
Section V, Europe  
Section VI, India, Sri Lanka, Nepal  
Section VII, Japan  
Section VIII, Australasia  
Section IX, Philippines  
Section X, Middle East  
Section XI, Korea  
Section XII, Chinese Taipei  
Section XIII, China  
Section XIV, Myanmar  
Section XV  
Section XX, Regions

## THE AUSTRALASIA SECTION EMERGES

Initially the International College of Dentists operated as one body, the "College at Large". When Sections were formed within the College (substantially in effect from 1948), "Section 29" was designated to include Australia, New Zealand, the Samoa Islands, the Fiji Islands, Borneo, Sumatra, Java, Papua, the Solomon Islands, New Caledonia, the Society Islands and the Celebes.

Autonomy was authorized for "Section VIII, Australia" at the ICD Executive Council meeting held on 12 October 1963. Section VIII was officially inaugurated as an autonomous Section of ICD on 30 May 1964 by the College representative, Dr R Gordon Agnew, in Perth at the time of the ADA (Australian Dental Association) Congress.

A charter was presented to the Section 29 Regents Gilbert Henderson and Alan Grainger. An Organizing Committee was elected to attend to the affairs of the new Section until a Board of Regents was elected at the next convocation in 1970. The Organizing Committee comprised Alan Grainger (Chair), Derek Freeman (Secretary), George Christensen, John Lavis and Gordon Rowell.

In 1973 the listing for Section VIII was amended to include Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea and Fiji. The Section title was changed to "Australasia Section".

The April 1983 edition of the Section VIII newsletter reported that Section VIII membership stood at 175 comprised of 157 Active members, 17 Life (Retired) members and one Honorary member. Today there are 793 Fellows in Section VIII comprised of 667 Active members, 107 Life (Retired) members, 10 Honorary Life Members (including two Masters) and 9 Honorary members.

Approximately 4% of dentists in Australia and New Zealand have the honour of ICD Fellowship.

## ICD FELLOWSHIP in WA

### **Gilbert D Henderson OBE, 1890 - 1977**

Gilbert D Henderson of Western Australia was one of the first Australian dentists admitted into the International College of Dentists (8 July 1930) and one of the first Regents for Section 29 (1932). He played an instrumental role in proposing Australia to become an autonomous Section of ICD and organising the official inauguration of Section VIII on 30 May 1964 during the ADA Congress in Perth.



Gilbert was a founding member of the WA branch of the Australian Dental Association in 1922. He was the first chairman of the Perth Dental Hospital in 1926 and of the board of management of the WA College of Dental Science (later the University of WA Faculty of Dental Science) in 1936.

He joined the Australian Army Medical Corps (Dental) in 1942 serving for three years as a specialist, designing mechanical aids for repairing fractured facial bones and prosthetic shields to restore facial soft tissue loss. He was best known for building a prosthetic hand activated by rods inserted in the arm muscles.



In addition to Gilbert Henderson, two other WA Fellows were inducted into Section 29 of ICD prior to the Australasia Section of ICD being inaugurated in 1964. Kenneth JG Sutherland was inducted into Section 29 in 1954 and John Seward in 1963.

### **Kenneth Joseph George Sutherland AM, 1917 - 2014**



*Emeritus Professor Kenneth Sutherland with a portrait of himself as Dean*

As noted above, Kenneth J G Sutherland was the second WA dentist known to be inducted into ICD. His service on the Section VIII Board of Regents is recounted elsewhere in this program

Born in Footscray, Victoria in 1917, Ken graduated with a BDSc degree with Honours from the University of Melbourne in 1939. Upon graduation, he accepted a position at the Dental Hospital of Melbourne as a half-time house surgeon and soon became a full-time registrar and a demonstrator in prosthetic dentistry at the Australian College of Dentistry - the beginning of his long teaching career.

Ken joined the Royal Australian Air Force in 1942 as a flight lieutenant and later a squadron leader. After WWII ended, he studied medicine at the University of Melbourne - but without the rehabilitation assistance that many ex-servicemen had, so he worked part-time as a dentist to fund his medical studies. He graduated with his MBBS degree in 1950 and subsequently completed his MDSc degree to become an Oral Surgeon.

In 1953, at age 35, Ken became Professor of Dental Science at UWA, a position he held for 30 years until he retired in 1982. He was also elected Dean of the Faculty of Dental Science, serving in the position for 23 years with breaks only for compulsory sabbatical leave every seven years.

Ken was a member of the Dental Board of WA for 34 years, 17 of them as President, and a member of the Perth Dental Hospital Board of Management for 22 years and the ADA (WA Branch) Council for 25 years. He was examiner with the Royal Australasian College of Dental Surgeons for 15 years.

His service to his profession was recognised by UWA with appointment as Professor Emeritus, the awarding of an Honorary Doctorate of Dental Science, and naming the main lecture theatre in the old dental school - and now in the Oral Health Centre of WA - after him.

In 1979, Ken was appointed a Member of the Order of Australia.





His contributions to the literature are to be found in the Australian Journal of Dentistry and the Australian Dental Journal from 1948 to 1982. He also contributed a chapter on dentistry in the book "Campus in the Community", UWA, 1963 - 1987.

Ken was generous and donated money to many causes, especially to promote dental education. Many prizes have been established in his name. He initiated the "Kenneth J G Sutherland Prize" at the UWA School of Dentistry for the candidate at the Final Examination who gains the highest marks in General Dentistry. The prize is a College Medal and A\$500.

In the eulogy given by Winthrop Professor Paul Abbott, Professor of Clinical Dentistry in the School of Dentistry, Paul described Ken Sutherland as "a colossus-like giant who stood astride the dental profession" and described Ken's "family" as including the dental profession, particularly in Western Australia, as well as the University although his influence extended far beyond WA borders.

### **John McCarthy Joseph Seward, 1917 – 1996**

John M J Seward was the third WA Fellow known to have been inducted into ICD. He was born at Waverly Hospital, Perth on 2 June 1917. John earned his BDS at the University of Melbourne in 1940 before enlisting in the Australian Army to serve in WWII as a captain from 1940 to 1942. After returning home to Australia, he married Meida Manly of Melbourne in August 1946 and they made their home in West Perth. John was made a Fellow of Section 29 of the International College of Dentists in 1963. He passed away in 1996 at age 78.

### **Inaugural Section VIII Induction Ceremony**

Four new ICD Fellows were inducted at the inaugural Section VIII induction ceremony in Perth on 30 May 1964, including one Fellow from WA, Ross L Taylor.

### **Ross Lawton Taylor, 1923 – 2016**



Ross L Taylor completed his BDS and MDS (Pros) at the University of Sydney Dental School. He was a Reader in Prosthodontia at the University of WA Dental School for many years before moving to the USA to become Professor and Chairman of the Department of Removable Prosthodontics at the Northwestern University Dental School in Chicago. Ross stayed at Northwestern for the remainder of his academic career.

Ross was a founding member of the Australian Society of Prosthodontists (ASP). In 1959-1960, he had the opportunity to attend meetings of the American Prosthodontic Society (APS) in Chicago. He returned to Australia with a copy of the APS Constitution from which a draft Australian constitution was prepared.

An invitation was issued to all members of the Australian Dental Association (ADA) who had a special interest in prosthodontics to attend an organizational meeting on August 14, 1961, at the University of Sydney during the 16th ADA Congress. Over the ensuing four days, the Australian Society of Prosthodontists (ASP) was established and at its inaugural meeting on August 18, the first ASP officers were elected to serve 1961-1964: R. L. Taylor (WA), President; E. D. Ramsey (QLD), Vice-President; T. G. Goodall (WA), Secretary-Treasurer; and C. H. Bonney (WA) and M. J. Barrett (SA), Councillors.

Ross was also a founding member and first President of the Dental Study Group of WA. He served as President of the ADAWA and was made an Honorary Life Member of ADAWA in recognition of his contributions to the WA branch. He passed away on 5 August 2016 at age 93.

## Section VIII Induction Ceremonies in Perth

Since the inaugural Section VIII induction ceremony in Perth in 1964, three ICD induction ceremonies have been held in Perth, as shown in the table below. Tonight is the fifth ICD induction ceremony to be held in Perth and one of the first ICD functions in the world to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of ICD.

Section VIII Induction Ceremonies in Perth			
1964*	May 1982	March 1998	March 2009
		<b>Hyatt Regency</b>	<b>Convention Centre</b>
Ken Adamson	Denis Cosgrove	Brett Abbott	Robert L Adams
Neville Cox (NSW)	Des Kailis	Paul Abbott	Nicholas M Boyd
Derek Freeman (NSW)	John Myhill	John Carr	David J Curnow
Ross Taylor (WA)	Ray Owen	Joseph Chau	Holly Ann Edwards
	Alf Smith	Ian Dingle	Camile S Farah
	David Southan	Stuart Edwards	Michael Foley
*first Section VIII induction	Kevin Sutherland	Patrick Field	Mark G Foster
	Lloyd Trotter	Phillip Gray	John P Fricker
	Bob Turner	David Houghton	Janet M Fuss
	Sid Wanecke	Dell Kingsford Smith	Laynesh Gebrehiwot
	Norm Webster	Geoffrey Knight	Mithran S Goonewardene
	David Wilson	Sybille Lechner	Lisa J A Heitz-Mayfield
	George Wing	James Lucas	William A Kahler
	Bill Winspear	Node K W Madu	Stephen C Knott
		Ian Martin	Brian D Koch
		David Millington	Lena Lejmanoski
		Brian Mor	Robert McCray
		Roger Morton	John K McGeachie
		Allan Nixon	David Miles
		Geoffrey Parsons	Anthony F Poli
		Terence Pitsikas	Bernadette Pushpaangaeli
		Jonathan Rogers	Sarah L Raphael
		Gregory Seymour	Philippa N Sawyer
		Peter Sutherland	Peter Sheridan AM
		David Sykes	Aneurin Rhys Thomas
		Albert Tan	J F (Barry) Walsh
		Glen Tomkins	Andrew Teck Seng Wong
		Ronald Townsend	
		Andre Viljoen	<b>In Absentia</b>
		Anne-Marie Vincent	Helen James
		Leslie Waldon	Frank N T Monsour
		Laurence Walsh	Ian Rosenberg
		Phillip Zoldan	Marc Tennant

Photos from all Section VIII induction ceremonies can be viewed and downloaded from the Section VIII website: <http://www.icdsectionviii.org/photo-albums.html>.

## FEMALE FELLOWS COME TO TOWN

Reading through the early history of ICD and of Section VIII, it is clear that the College was exclusively male in its early years reflecting the nature of the dental profession at that time. In 1975, Elizabeth Fanning and Doreen Musgrave became the first female Fellows inducted into Section VIII. The first New Zealand female dentist inducted into Section VIII was Karen Brook in 1996. The first WA female dentist inducted into Section VIII was Jenny Ball in 2004. Jenny is currently serving on the ICD Board as Regent for WA and Section VIII Editor.

In 2003 Jackie Robinson (NSW) became the first female Fellow to serve on the Section VIII Board. Jackie subsequently progressed to hold the positions of Registrar, Vice-President, President and Immediate Past President. She currently serves on the Board as one of two International Councillors for Section VIII and is one of the two current ICD Masters of Section VIII.



As of September 2021, 24% of Section VIII members are female. Of the 111 current WA Fellows, 30 (27%) are females.



**Dr Jenny Ball** is the Director of WA Dental CPD (a collaboration between ADA WA and the UWA Dental School). Jenny also demonstrates operative technique at the Oral Health Centre of Western Australia and is a Consultant Forensic Odontologist for the Sexual Assault Referral Centre, the King Edward Memorial Hospital, the Princess Margaret Hospital and the Perth Children's Hospital. Jenny is the Immediate Past President of the ADAWA and was the first female to hold the position of ADAWA President.

Jenny graduated from the UWA School of Dentistry in 1983. She subsequently completed a Bachelor of Arts degree, a Master of Forensic Science and a Graduate Diploma in Forensic Odontology at the University of WA. Jenny worked in private practices in Western Australia and in the UK for more than 30 years. She has been active in the WA Branch of the ADA since 1996 serving as Treasurer, Vice-President, President and now as Past President as well as serving on numerous committees and the ADAWA Council. In recognition of her outstanding service to the ADAWA, Jenny was made an Honorary Life Member in 2016. Jenny was the Vice Chair of the local organizing committee for the ADA Dental Congress held in Perth in 2009 and is a member of the organising committee for the ADA/FDI Dental Congress 2021. She is a founding member and has held executive positions in the Sally Joyston-Bechal Study Group of WA and is a founding Fellow Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology in the Royal College of Pathologists in Australia. Jenny lectures to undergraduate and postgraduate students at Murdoch and Curtin universities and to dental nurses, dental therapists and dental hygienists on forensic odontology.

Jenny is the first WA female dentist to serve on the Section VIII Board. She replaces John Owen AM as the Regent for WA and replaces Petrina Bowden as Editor.

### ***Can you help fill gaps in ICD history?***

*Parts of Section VIII history are incomplete, especially some of the early history of Section VIII. Fellows who have photos, documents or details of early Section VIII history are requested to contact the Admin Officer, Ron Robinson at [admin@icdsectionviii.org](mailto:admin@icdsectionviii.org). Thank you!*

## ICD FELLOWSHIP LOYALTY

Bernard Lilienthal is the last surviving Fellow from the inaugural 1964 Section VIII induction ceremony and is currently the longest continuous Fellow of Section VIII.



Inducted into Section VIII of ICD in 1986, **David R Booth** has the distinction of being the current WA Fellow with the longest continuous ICD Fellowship.

David qualified in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Oral Pathology and Oral Medicine and was a dedicated educator in Western Australia for over 50 years.

In 2010, David was Western Australia's state finalist for Senior Australian of the Year.

Having obtained his BDSc at UWA in 1959, David worked as a junior house officer at Perth Dental Hospital for two years immediately after graduation. He subsequently worked in private practices in St Helens, England and in Bentley, WA. David was Surgical Registrar at the Perth Dental Hospital 1966-1970 and Senior Lecturer in Oral Pathology at the Perth Dental Hospital 1971-1990. David was Senior Registrar, Queen Mary's Hospital, Roehampton, England 1973-1974 and Clinical Assistant, Cardiff Dental Hospital, Welsh National School of Medicine 1983. He was part-time Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon at the Perth Dental Hospital in 1991 and 1992 and Senior Lecturer in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at the University of Western Australia from 1992 to 2002.

David was appointed Consultant Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon at the Royal Perth Hospital on 1 July 1969. He was Spokesperson for the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons at RPH and Director of Training in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. Upon his retirement in December 2002, David was appointed Emeritus Consultant Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon at the Royal Perth Hospital. He has published widely and his contributions have appeared in many dental research journals. He received international recognition for teaching excellence when he was chosen on several occasions to chair scientific sessions at IADR Meetings.

In 2004 David co-founded the Christian Health Aid Team (CHAT). The charity group is comprised of volunteers from all over Australia who provide much needed dental treatment to orphans in rural Vietnam. He served as President of CHAT for 11 years from February 2005 before handing over to the current President, ICD Fellow Jennifer Chan.

David has sponsored children through Plan International and has visited his sponsored children with his own children and grandchildren. David became an invited member of Plan International Australia in 1999. Ever giving generously, David has established a travel grant to encourage and assist a final year student from the UWA Dental School who is experiencing financial hardship to undertake an overseas placement.



## SECTION VIII GOVERNANCE

In 1970 a draft constitution was approved and the inaugural Board of Regents was elected. The inaugural Board included Ken Sutherland of WA:

Alan Grainger, President  
A Gordon Rowell, Vice-President  
Richard Setright, Registrar

John F Lavis, Treasurer  
Derek D Freeman, Regent  
Kenneth J Sutherland, Regent

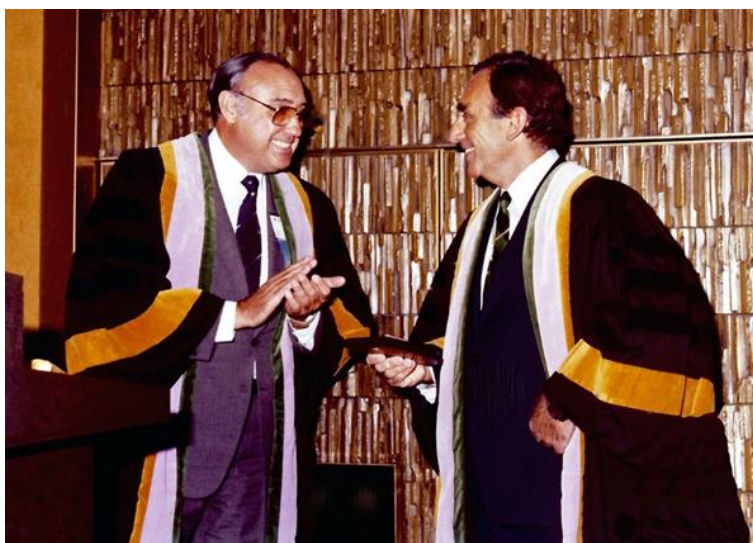
Since formation of the inaugural Section VIII Board, twenty-one Fellows have served in the role of President. Four Section VIII Presidents have been WA Fellows – Ken Sutherland AM, Spyros Halikis AM, Dick Cook AM and John Owen AM.

Section VIII Presidents							
1	Alan	Grainger CBE	1970	11	Neil	Henry AM	2001-2003
2	Gordon	Rowell CBE	1971-1978	12	Robert	Butler	2003-2005
3	Derek	Freeman AM	1978-1982	13	Clive	Ross CNZM	2005-2007
4	Ken	Sutherland AM	1982-1985	14	Braham	Pearlman	2007-2009
5	Rupert	Dingle	1985-1988	15	Richard	Cook AM	2009-2011
6	Robert	Norton OBE	1988-1991	16	David	Thomson	2011-2013
7	Sydenham	Dobbin AM	1991-1993	17	Jackie	Robinson	2013-2015
8	Spyros	Halikis AM	1993-1995	18	David	Crum ONZM	2015-2017
9	Don	Heffron CBE	1995-1998	19	John	Owen AM	2017-2019
10	Geoffrey	Hall AM	1998-2001	20	Keith	Watkins	2019-2021
				21	Rick	Sawers AM	2021-2023

### Section VIII Presidents from Western Australia

#### Kenneth J G Sutherland AM, 1917 - 2014

The extraordinary contributions of Kenneth J G Sutherland to dental education and to the dental profession are described earlier in this program. As with every professional organisation Ken was involved with, he contributed significantly to the International College of Dentists. Ken served on the inaugural Section VIII Board of Regents for 18 years from 1970 through 1988: Regent 1970-1978, Vice-President 1978-1982, President 1982-1985 and Past President 1985-1988. Ken was the first Fellow from WA to serve on the Section VIII Board of Regents.



*Incoming President Ken Sutherland with outgoing President Derek Freeman, Perth 1982*



### **Spyros Halikis AM, 1925 - 2014**

Spyros Halikis AM was inducted into the International College of Dentists in 1980 and was made an Honorary Life Member of ICD in 1996. He served on the Section VIII Board of Regents from 1982 to 1998. During his time on the Board, Spyros served as Regent, as Vice-President, as President and as Past President.

Born in Greece, Spyros emigrated to the USA as a child, studied science at Pennsylvania State University and served in the US Navy in World War II. He migrated to Australia in 1947 and gained his BDSc degree from the University of Queensland in 1953. Spyros served as the ADA WA President 1972 - 1973. As well, he served many years on the ADA Federal Council &, in 1986, became the first WA dentist to be elected Federal ADA President.

Spyros was a pillar of the Greek community in Western Australia. He helped establish the Hellenic Australian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (HACCI) in Western Australia and served as the foundation President.

Dr Spyros Halikis AM passed away on 4 September 2014 at the age of 89.



**1995 Board of Regents, Australasia Section, ICD**

*(L to R): Neil Henry AM, Geoff Hall AM, Robert Butler, Spyros Halikis AM (President), William Chalmers, ADA Congress President Dinah Fitzgerald, Don Heffron CBE, Syd Dobbin AM, L Peter Ryan, Tom Speed*

### **Richard Graeme Cook AM, RDF, 1945 – 2019**



Richard G "Dick" Cook was made a Fellow of the Australasia Section of the International College of Dentists in 1990. He served on the Board of Section VIII for 16 years from 1998 to 2014. Dick was appointed to the Board as the Regent for WA in 1998. He served as Editor for eight years before becoming President in 2010. Dick departed the ICD Board in 2014 after serving his final two years as Immediate Past President. In 2007 he was made an Honorary Life Member of Section VIII.

Within dentistry, Dick was a Past President and Honorary Life Member of the ADAWA, Past President and Honorary Life Member of the ASO Inc, and Past ADA Congress President (1998). These are just samples of the wide range of senior roles Dick held within the dental profession.

Teaching was one of Dick Cook's many passions and he was an ethical and inspirational teacher and mentor for 30 years to undergraduates, postgraduates and peers. Dr Richard Graeme Cook, RFD was awarded Member of the Order of Australia in January 1999 for service to the profession of dentistry in the field of orthodontics and to the community.

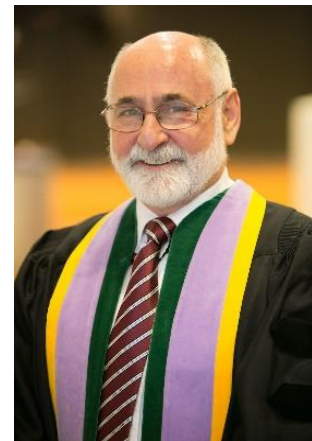
Dick had a distinguished career in the Australian Defence Force and army reserve. Lt Colonel Richard Cook AM, RFD (Retired) was a Commanding Officer in the Royal Western Australia Regiment and served as President and Immediate Past President of the Defence Reserves Association. Dick served as President and Immediate Past President of the 28<sup>th</sup> Battalion (The Swan Regiment) Association and was made an Honorary Life Member in recognition of his distinguished service.

Dick joined the Rotary Club of Perth in September 1979 and spent his life actively serving with a plethora of responsibilities in different offices of Rotary including the office of President.

### **John Raymond Owen AM**

John R Owen AM became a Fellow of ICD in 1992 and served on the Section VIII Board of Regents for ten years 2011 - 2021. John was appointed as Regent for Western Australia when Richard Cook AM completed his term of office on the Board. John became Treasurer in 2012, Vice-President in 2015, President in 2017 and Immediate Past President in 2019. John was made an Honorary Life Member of Section VIII in 2020.

Under John's leadership as President, the Section VIII Board accomplished a great deal – planning started for Section VIII centenary functions in 2020 as part of the College's 100th anniversary, the Section's nomination and new Fellow



processes were reviewed and changes implemented, updates were made to Bylaws, Section VIII officially affiliated with NZDA, Board structure and succession planning were reviewed and changes introduced, annual sponsorship of the New Zealand Young Dentists' Speaker Development Day commenced, grant guidelines were revised, local committees in each state of Australia and in New Zealand were introduced to facilitate nominations of new Fellows and organise local events, an orientation process for new Board members was developed, a Presidential chain of office was introduced and the first two ICD Fellows from Tonga were admitted to Section VIII. During his term as President, John presided over induction ceremonies in Auckland and in Sydney. The Section VIII WA committee organised the first "WA Sundowner" to welcome new Fellows under John's leadership.

And, of course, John and Jan have earned the deepest respect and admiration of Fellows and colleagues within our profession through their long term dedication to improving oral health in remote Aboriginal communities and amongst those most in need in metropolitan Perth through the Kimberley Dental Team (KDT).

## SECTION VIII SERVICE AT INTERNATIONAL LEVEL

Fellows from the Section VIII region have contributed to the College at the highest level from the beginning. The inaugural ICD Board of Regents formed in 1928, comprised of 15 members, included Regent William G. McKern of Sydney, Australia. McKern was foundation Vice-President of the Australian Dental Association (ADA) New South Wales (NSW), Associate Editor of *The Dental Journal of Australia* and served on the Dental Board of New South Wales.

Gilbert Henderson and Alan Grainger were long serving Regents for Section 29 prior to Australia becoming an autonomous Section.

Each autonomous Section of ICD is represented by an International Councillor. The number of Councillors for each Section is based on the number of Fellows in the Section. Section VIII was entitled to only one Councillor until 2014 when membership reached 500 Active Fellows entitling the Section to an additional Councillor. There have been only six Section VIII International Councillors in the history of the Australasia Section.

Section VIII International Councillors			
1*	Gordon	Rowell CBE	1982-1988
2*	Robert	Norton OBE	1988-1993
3	Sydenham	Dobbin AM	1993-2001
4	Geoffrey	Hall AM	2001-2007
5	Clive	Ross CNZM	2007-
6	Jackie	Robinson	2014 -
*Executive Councilman			

Clive Ross CNZM is the only New Zealand Fellow who has served as an International Councillor for Section VIII. Initially appointed as a Section VIII International Councillor in 2007 and still serving on the Board, Clive is the longest serving Councillor for Section VIII.

### Section VIII Fellows in ICD Executive Positions

Three Fellows of Section VIII have served as International Presidents of ICD: Gordon Rowell (NSW) in 1978, Sydenham Dobbin (NSW) in 2000 and Clive Ross CNZM 2017. Clive was the first Fellow from New Zealand to serve as International President.



**Gordon Rowell OBE**



**Sydenham Dobbin AM**



**Clive Ross CNZM**

In 2010 Clive Ross became the first (and only) Section VIII Fellow elected to the position of International Treasurer and the first Fellow from New Zealand to hold an executive position on the ICD Council. Clive served as the International Treasurer until October 2014 after which he progressed to the executive positions of Vice-President then President Elect, becoming International President in 2017. Clive is one of the two current ICD Masters of Section VIII.



## SECTION VIII VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS

Section VIII has a long history of supporting volunteer programs that deliver dental care and education to underserved communities within the Australasian region. Support for volunteer programs led by Section VIII Fellows is a core value of Section VIII and has strengthened through the years. Although the financial means of Section VIII are modest, the Board commits close to 40% of its annual budget for grants and sponsorships.

There are many Section VIII Fellows leading and/or participating in volunteer programs in underserved communities on our region. They give unselfishly not only of their time but also often self-fund many of their efforts. One shining example of dedication to improving oral health in underserved communities is the “Kimberley Dental Team” program led by WA Fellow John Owen AM and his wife, Jan Owen AM.

So it began . . . In May 2009, John accompanied Jan to Halls Creek in the Kimberley region. The visit arose from Jan’s participation in the choir Madjitil Moorna, Aboriginal singers who had been invited by an Aboriginal teacher, Doreen Green, to sing with the children of the Halls Creek District High School. The visit afforded Jan (a dental assistant and oral health educator) and John the opportunity to provide dental screening and dental health education to the local school children during the week of the choir visit.

With their increasing awareness of the inequality of dental health care compared to that of metropolitan Perth, Jan and John committed to the development of a volunteer team of dental health personnel, the Kimberley Dental Team (KDT), to enhance dental services and improve dental health literacy.

Since those early years, John and Jan have worked tirelessly to develop KDT teams that visit the Kimberley region regularly, to raise funds and to develop innovative and effective oral health education and toothbrushing initiatives (“Strong Teeth for Kimberley Kids”). Importantly, the teams include young dental professionals and dental students who will ensure the future of KDT.

As an example of the reach of KDT, an article in the November 2019 ICD newsletter reported that in its tenth year of operation (2019), KDT provided 822 exams, 239 extractions, 341 restorations, 95 scale and cleans, 105 fluoride treatments, 1337 fissure seals and 4 partial dentures for 822 Kimberley residents over a five-week period. This was despite the tragic loss of the KDT mobile dental truck earlier in that year.

KDT Southern is an extension of the KDT program which provides care for the disadvantaged in metropolitan Perth. ICD is a proud supporter of the Kimberley Dental Team.







*Australasia Section*

**NEW FELLOWS**  
**ICD Centenary Celebrations**  
**Parmelia Hilton Perth**  
**30<sup>th</sup> October 2021**

Brent Allan  
Robert Anthonappa  
Sean Archibald  
Meredith Arcus  
Gosia Barley  
Graham Carmichael  
Jennifer Chan  
Laura Dalton-Ecker  
John Day  
Garry Ecker  
Amit Gurbuxani  
Fritz Heitz  
Andrew Hossen  
Janice Kan  
Jeremy Keating  
Steve Naoum  
Mark Nathan  
Angelo Papageorgiou  
Amanda Phoon Nguyen  
Don Rechichi  
Girish Sasidharan  
Catherine Snelling (*Honorary*)  
Lisa Standing  
Margie Steffens OAM (*Honorary*)  
Andrew Thompson  
Zara Torre

*Inducted in absentia*

Johan Aps  
Raj Dhaliwal  
Angie Nilsson  
Bethy Turton