

**PROVINCIAL SURGEONS
OF AUSTRALIA 2022
ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING**



**11 - 13 AUGUST, 2022
MACKAY, QLD.**



SCIENTIFIC CONVENOR

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WELCOME

On behalf of the Provincial Surgeons Australia and the Organising Committee, it is with great pleasure that I welcome you to the Mackay Region for the 57th Provincial Surgeons of Australia Annual Scientific Conference, taking place from 11 - 13 August, at the Mackay Entertainment and Convention Centre.

Over the next three days, we are excited to share a fantastic program, featuring leading local, metropolitan, and international faculty. Key areas of General Surgery specific to regional and rural surgeons will be discussed, including breast, hernia, melanoma, obesity, colorectal, and vascular. The interactive program will be as relevant to our rural counterparts as it is to our metropolitan colleagues, and offers a fantastic opportunity to come together in these uncertain times - country and city.

I am personally thrilled to have everyone here in Mackay, and I cannot wait to showcase the region to you all. I also hope the famous weather does not disappoint and we can offer you spectacularly warm and sunny winter days. After a two-year hiatus, we hope the program along with social-and-associates opportunities bring everyone back together, as well as welcome new members: a time to come together in the way only a PSA ASC can - family and friendship.

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HISTORY OF THE PSA

YEAR	DESTINATION	PRESIDENT	YEAR	DESTINATION	PRESIDENT
1965	SHEPPARTON	W G FERGUSON	1994	GERALDTON	N FOX
1966	ALBURY	R A BOTTOMS	1995	MOE	D DRING
1967	CANBERRA	R A BOTTOMS	1996	PORT LINCOLN	D BIRKS
1968	BALLARAT	G HEAP	1997	BALLINA	J FLETCHER
1969	WAGGA WAGGA	J PRYOR	1998	KINGAROY	J GRAHAM
1970	WARRNAMBOOL	P MACNEIL	1999	WANGARATTA	P BENJAMIN
1971	GRIFFITH	A COLE	2000	BUNBURY	R FRASER
1972	MT GAMBIER	J BINKS	2001	ORANGE	D ADAMTHWAITHE
1973	SHEPPARTON	E SHAW	2002	HAMILTON ISLAND	S PORGES
1974	DUBBO	P KING	2003	DEVONPORT	C FITZGERALD
1975	DANDENONG	J BEITH	2004	COFFS HARBOUR	F KONETSCHNIK
1976	WHYALLA	G TRIGG	2005	SHEPPARTON	A WARRIER
1977	WOLLONGONG	G MARKEY	2006	KALGOOLIE	I GUNN
1978	PORTLAND	H CHESTERFIELD-EVANS	2007	WHYALLA	M MCGUSHIN
1979	BEGA	W DAVEY	2008	WAGGA WAGGA	M DAMP
1980	NARACOORTE	J SMITH	2009	ALICE SPRINGS	B KIRKBY
1981	TRARALGON	J MCKEE	2010	BROOME	J JACOB
1982	CANBERRA	F KEILLER	2011	BENDIGO	A THOMPSON
1983	HORSHAM	E FLEMMING	2012	MT GAMBIER	M OLIVER
1984	MT GAMBIER	E BROWNSTEIN	2013	QUEENSTOWN	M WICHMANN
1985	SINGLETON	M LANDY	2014	DARWIN	G COOPER
1986	SALE	N MILES	2015	LISMORE	M THOMAS, S WEIDLICH
1987	TAMWORTH	H HUYGENS	2016	ALBANY	S BUTCHERS
1988	HAMILTON	J FISHER	2017	ARMIDALE	T BOWLES
1989	CAIRNS	B AARONS	2018	BUNDABERG	G STEWART
1990	BERRI	R ARNOT	2019	BALLARAT	G LIM
1991	MURWILLUMBAH	J NETTLEFORD	2020	-	-
1992	ALICE SPRINGS	G FOWKES	2021	BEGA (VIRTUAL)	B STEWART
1993	MILDURA	C BUTCHER			

PROGRAM SNAPSHOT

VENUE - MECC

Mackay Entertainment & Convention Centre
258 Alfred Street
MACKAY

PROGRAM

THURSDAY 11 AUGUST

BREAKFAST SYMPOSIUM WITH DR KELVIN HIGA

*Optimising the decision process of using endocutters in
bariatric procedures*

- From 06:45
- MECC

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM DAY ONE

- 08:45 - 17:30
- MECC

COMBINED WELCOME & PSA DINNER

- From 19:00
- Mackay Surf Life Saving Club

PROGRAM SNAPSHOT

FRIDAY 12 AUGUST

BREAKFAST SYMPOSIUM WITH DR TODD HENIFORD

How to approach an incisional hernia: The importance of getting it right the first time

- From 07:00
- MECC

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM DAY TWO

- 09:00 - 17:00
- MECC

GALA DINNER

- From 19:00
- Note Park Farm

SATURDAY 13 AUGUST

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM DAY THREE

- 09:00 - 13:15
- MECC

FAREWELL LUNCH

- From 14:00-15:30
- Dolphin Heads

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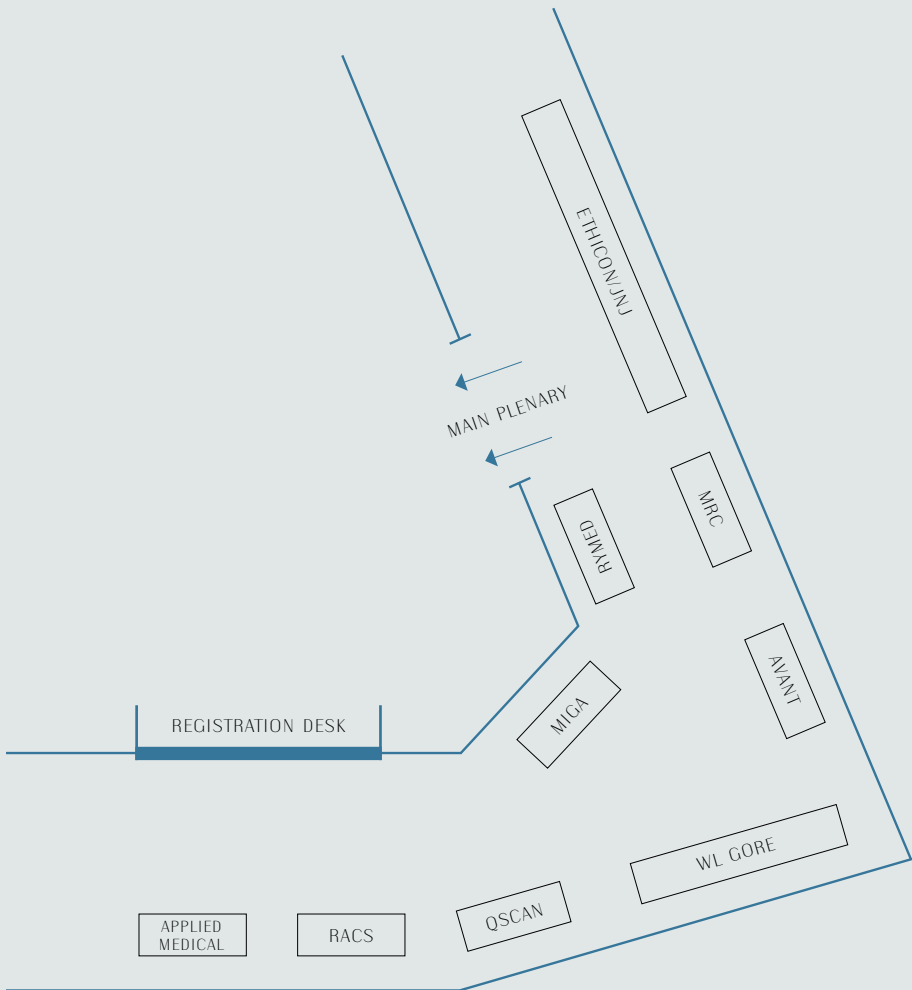
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BREAKFAST SYMPOSIUM

OPTIMISING THE DECISION PROCESS OF USING ENDOCUTTERS IN BARIATRIC PROCEDURE

- WITH DR KELVIN HIGA

- THURSDAY 11 AUGUST
- 06:45 - 08:15
- MAIN PLENARY - THE MECC
- *INCLUDES BREAKFAST*

Delegates of the PSA ASC are invited to join Dr Kelvin Higa who will be presenting live via Zoom on optimising the decision process of using endocutters in bariatric procedures.

Registration and breakfast at 06:45, with the presentation starting at 07:00.

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BREAKFAST SYMPOSIUM

HOW TO APPROACH AN INCISIONAL HERNIA - THE
IMPORTANCE OF GETTING IT RIGHT FIRST TIME

- WITH DR TODD HENIFORD

- FRIDAY 12 AUGUST
- 07:00 - 08:30
- MAIN PLENARY - THE MECC
- *INCLUDES BREAKFAST*

Join Dr Todd Heniford in person where he will present on:

- Understanding materials, the right technique, what does the data say?
- We are quality of life surgeons: The right approach for the patient

Registration and breakfast at 07:00, with the presentation starting at 07:15.

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SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

THURSDAY 11 AUGUST - SESSION ONE

08:45	WELCOME TO COUNTRY	YUWIBARA PEOPLE
09:00	WELCOME FROM THE MAYOR	MR GREG WILLIAMSON
09:15	WELCOME FROM THE CONVENOR	DR WENDELA SCHIMMER
09:30	CT COLON SCOPES	A/PROF TOM SUTHERLAND
09:45	THE INCIDENTAL PANCREAS CYST	DR ARJUNA SOMASUNDARAM
10:00	UPDATE ON HEPATOCELLULAR CANCER	DR PRANAVAN PALAMUTHUSINGAM
10:20	PANCREATIC CYSTS AND IPMN	DR MATAN BENDAVID
10:40	Q+A	PANEL

11:00 - 11:30 - MORNING TEA WITH INDUSTRY

THURSDAY 11 AUGUST - SESSION TWO, BREAST

11:30	UPDATE ON BREAST SURGERY	DR CORINNE OOI
11:45	BREAST SCREEN	DR WENDELA SCHIMMER
12:00	BREAST CANCER AND GENETICS	DR ROZANNA ALLI
12:15	BREAST TOMOSYNTHESIS	DR SEEMA KEMBHAVI
12:30	BREAST MRI	TBC
12:45	Q+A	PANEL

13:00 - 14:00 - LUNCH WITH INDUSTRY

For speaker bios and abstracts (where supplied), please visit psa.generalsurgeons.com.au

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THURSDAY 11 AUGUST - SESSION THREE - HERNIA



14:00	COMPLEX INCISIONAL HERNIA: PREOPERATIVE OPTIMISATION AND TECHNIQUE	A/PROF KELLE SLATER
14:30	ABDOMINAL WALL RECONSTRUCTION: KNOWING ENOUGH TO KNOW WE ARE WRONG	DR TODD HENIFORD
15:00	UMBILICAL HERNIA	TBC
15:15	Q+A	PANEL

15:30 - 15:55 - AFTERNOON TEA WITH INDUSTRY

THURSDAY 11 AUGUST - SESSION FOUR - FREE PAPERS FIVE MINUTE PRESENTATION TIME + ONE MINUTE Q+A

15:55	IMPACT OF WORK HOUR RESTRICTIONS ON OPERATIVE EXPERIENCE OF GENERAL SURGICAL TRAINEES	DR HAMZA ASHRAF
16:01	NLR OUTPERFORMS WCC AS AN ADJUNCT TO THE CLINICAL DIAGNOSIS OF APPENDICITIS	DR MICHAEL VAN DER MARK
16:07	A SCOPING REVIEW ON THE SURGICAL MANAGEMENT OF CARBUNCLES	DR DAVID TORO TOLE
16:13	SIMILAR SURVIVAL OUTCOMES FOR RURAL AND REMOTE COLORECTAL SURGERY PATIENTS IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA	DR DAMIAN WONG
16:19	OBESITY IN TRAUMA	DR NESTOR SABAT

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THURSDAY 11 AUGUST - SESSION FOUR - QUICK SHOT POSTER ROUND

16:25	SHOULD COLONOSCOPIES BE CONDUCTED IN PATIENTS AGED 75 AND OVER?	DR DANIELLE JOLLY
16:27	FOURNIER'S GANGRENE: A 15-YEAR EXPERIENCE AT A TERTIARY HOSPITAL	DR CHEN LEW
16:29	REVIEW OF MEDIUM-TO-LONG TERM OUTCOMES OF ILEO-ANAL POUCH PROCEDURES IN IBD PATIENTS	DR YUSUF HASSAN
16:31	SPLENIC INJURY SECONDARY TO COLONOSCOPY: A TIMELY REMINDER	DR TZI YU IVAN THIA
16:33	WE ARE FAILING TO ASSESS RISK FOR EMERGENCY LAPAROTOMY: RESULTS OF AN AUDIT	DR JOSEPH HEWITT
16:35	SCROTAL EXPLORATION FOR ACUTE SCROTUM: CAN WE PREVENT UNNECESSARY SURGERY	DR MUNASINGHE SILVA
16:37	CAN WE MINIMIZE UNPLANNED READMISSION WITHIN THE FIRST DAY AFTER DISCHARGE FOR SURGICAL PATIENTS?	DR RAMA CHIDAMBARAM
16:39	THE CAIRNS GALLBLADDER: DOES DISTANCE MATTER?	DR EMILY SAWYER
16:41	THE IMPACT OF COVID-19 ON EMERGENCY CHOLECYSTECTOMY	DR DONALD MORICE
16:43	UTILISING VIRTUAL OBSERVATION TO IMPROVE ACUTE COLONIC PSEUDO-OBSTRUCTION TREATMENT: A NEW ALGORITHM	DR ANDREW STUART
16:45	MANAGING CHEST TRAUMA IN A REGIONAL SETTING	DR THOMAS WARBURTON
16:47	FAILURE OF COLONIC STENTS AS A BRIDGE TO SURGERY IS ASSOCIATED WITH POOR ONCOLOGICAL OUTCOMES	DR DANIEL CHUBB

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THURSDAY 11 AUGUST - SESSION FOUR - QUICK SHOT POSTER ROUND

16:49	UPPER GASTROINTESTINAL PERFORATION IN RURAL NSW	DR KEVIN TREE
16:51	NEGATIVE APPENDICECTOMY RATES IN A RURAL HEALTH SETTING IN NEW ZEALAND	DR MOEA NIMMO
16:53	TESTICULAR TORSION IN RURAL NSW	DR KEVIN TREE
16:55	SUSTAINABLE SURGICAL CARE: A RURAL COLLEGIAL SERVICE MODEL FOR CONTEMPORARY NEEDS	DR ZAINAB NASEEM
16:57	PORT FIRST VS TIP FIRST: DOES DIFFERENCE IN PORTACATH INSERTION TECHNIQUES REDUCE COMPLICATION RATES	DR HANNAH TANG
16:59	WHAT IS THE IDEAL SURGICAL INCISION IN KIDNEY TRANSPLANTATION?	DR JAKE HINDMARCH

17:15 - DAY ONE CLOSE

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

FRIDAY 12 AUGUST - SESSION ONE - BARIATRICS

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09:00	INTRODUCTION TO BARIATRICS	DR CHRISTIAN CONNORS
09:10	KEYNOTE ADDRESS: UPDATES IN BARIATRIC SURGERY	DR KELVIN HIGA
09:40	COMPLICATIONS IN BARIATRIC SURGERY AND HOW TO DEAL WITH THEM: METRO VS REGIONAL	DR KELVIN HIGA
10:00	BARIATRIC COMPLICATIONS IN A REGIONAL SETTING	DR SCOTT WHITING
10:20	NUTRITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS AFTER BARIATRIC SURGERY	DR MELISSA WHITING
10:35	Q&A	PANEL

10:45 - 11:15 - MORNING TEA WITH INDUSTRY

FRIDAY 12 AUGUST - SESSION TWO - COLORECTAL

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11:15	ORGAN PRESERVATION IN RECTAL CANCER	DR DAVID MACKRILL
11:35	MRI IN RECTAL CANCER STAGING	A/PROF KIRSTEN GORMLY

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FRIDAY 12 AUGUST - SESSION TWO CONTINUED

11:55	CHANGING PARADIGM IN RECTAL CANCER: TOTAL NEOADJUVANT THERAPY	DR NIMISHA KUMARI
12:15	MANAGEMENT OF THE MALIGNANT POLYP	DR VENKATESH SHANMUGAM
12:35	Q+A	PANEL
12:45	FREE PAPER: PARATHYROID ADENOMA MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM MEETINGS IN A REGIONAL SETTING	DR SUZANNAH DEWHURST
12:51	FREE PAPER: PERIOPERATIVE TIMING OF CHEMICAL THROMBOPROPHYLAXIS IN ELECTIVE ABDOMINAL SURGERY: SYSTEMATIC REVIEW AND META-ANALYSIS	DR HAMZA ASHRAF

13:00 - 13:50 - LUNCH WITH INDUSTRY

FRIDAY 12 AUGUST - SESSION THREE - VASCULAR

13:50	"CT OR TO NOT CT - PE IS THE QUESTION": RADIOLOGICAL EVALUATION OF PERIOPERATIVE VENUS THROMBOEMBOLISM	DR JADE LEE
14:05	DVT AND ILIAC STENOSIS: MAY TURNER SYNDROME	DR RAMESH VELU
14:20	VASCULAR EMERGENCIES FOR THE GENERAL SURGEON	DR RAMESH VELU
14:35	DVT AND PROPHYLAXIS IN OBESE PATIENTS	DR SUNAINA MIRANDA
14:50	Q+A	PANEL

15:00 - 15:30 - AFTERNOON TEA WITH INDUSTRY

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FRIDAY 12 AUGUST - SESSION FOUR - JIM PRYOR BEGONIA RESEARCH

15:30	FREE PAPER: ANALYSIS OF EFFECT OF RECIPE RESOURCE ON QUALITY AND EXPERIENCE OF BOWEL PREPARATION IN COLONOSCOPY	DR LAURA BENNETT
15:36	FREE PAPER: INTRAOPERATIVE ULTRASOUND GUIDED WIDE LOCAL EXCISION OF BREAST CANCER IN THE RURAL SETTING	DR PRIYANTHI WIDANA PATHIRANA
15:42	FREE PAPER: ENDOSCOPIC MUCOSAL RESECTION: A REGIONAL PERSPECTIVE	DR AMANDA HAMILTON
15:48	FREE PAPER: THE IMPACT ON A REGIONAL INTENSIVE CARE OF SURGICAL RISK SCORING MANDATED ADMISSIONS	DR CHRISTOPHER DARLING
15:54	FREE PAPER: THE PERCEIVED VASCULAR EMERGENCY SURGICAL SKILLS OF RURAL GENERAL SURGEONS	DR JESSICA PAYNTER

16:00 *JIM PRYOR BEGONIA RESEARCH SESSION PANEL

17:00 - DAY TWO PROGRAM CLOSE

JIM PRYOR BEGONIA Prize offers an opportunity for delegates to put forward their innovative idea/research, capped at four (4) minutes, aligned to the following: **SURGICALLY INNOVATIVE: Useful. How to perform some tricky surgical manoeuvres quickly and easily without fail: **Original.** "You heard it first at the PSA"*

You do not need to submit anything prior to this session - just turn up and put forward your idea.

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SATURDAY 13 AUGUST - SESSION ONE - ALL LIVES MATTER

09:00	THE CHALLENGES OF THE OUTREACH SURGEON AND THE RURAL HOSPITAL: LOOKING AT BOTH SIDES NOW	PROF BRUCE WAXMAN
09:15	PREGNANCY AND PARENTAL LEAVE IN SURGERY	DR WENDY LIU
09:35	RACS RURAL HEALTH EQUITY STRATEGY	DR SALLY BUTCHERS
09:50	SURGICAL STABILISATION OF RIB FRACTURES IN A REGIONAL CENTRE: INTRODUCTION AND EARLY OUTCOMES	DR MAHANAMA DISSANAYAKE
10:10	DR INVISIBLE COMIC	DR LESLIE P KING
10:25	Q•A	PANEL
10:35	FREE PAPER: REGIONAL PERSPECTIVES ON LAPAROSCOPIC VERSUS OPEN INGUINAL HERNIA REPAIR	DR AMANDA HAMILTON
10:41	FREE PAPER: EARLY VS LATE ENTERAL NUTRITION FOLLOWING GASTROINTESTINAL SURGERY: WHAT WE KNOW, AND WHAT WE DON'T	DR JACK MAKENZIE

10:50 - 11:20 - MORNING TEA WITH INDUSTRY

SATURDAY 13 AUGUST - SESSION TWO - MELANOMA

11:20	FREE PAPER: THE INTRODUCTION OF ENDOSCOPIC PILONIDAL SINUS SURGERY IN A REGIONAL CENTRE	DR RICHARD MAGUIRE
11:30	FREE PAPER: RURAL AND REMOTE SURGERY, CAN GP PROCEDURALISTS BE INVOLVED?	DR ANGUS BROWN

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SATURDAY 13 AUGUST - SESSION TWO CONTINUED

11:40	TREATMENT OF PRIMARY CUTANEOUS MELANOMA – BY WHOM AND WHERE?	A/PROF MARK SMITHERS
12:00	SENTINEL NODE BIOPSY FOR PRIMARY CUTANEOUS MELANOMA – PRACTICAL TIPS	A/PROF MARK SMITHERS
12:20	ADJUVANT THERAPY FOR MALIGNANT MELANOMA	DR ZIA ANSAR
12:40	PET SCAN AND MELANOMA	DR LEON VASQUEZ
12:55	Q•A	PANEL
13:00	AWARDS AND CLOSE OF PROGRAM	



13:00 - PSA 2022 ASC PROGRAM CLOSE

SOCIAL PROGRAM

WELCOME PSA DINNER

MACKAY SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB

- Thursday 11 August
- 19:00 - 22:30
- Transfers will depart from the MECC at 18:40, and return from the Surf Club at 22:30

GALA DINNER

- **NOTE PARK FARM**
- Friday 12 August
- 19:00 - 23:00
- Transfers will depart from the MECC at 18:15, and return from Note Park at 23:00
- *PLEASE NOTE, THIS IS AN OUTDOOR EVENT*

FAREWELL LUNCH

- **DOLPHIN HEADS RESORT**
- Saturday 13 August
- 14:00 - 15:30
- Transfers will depart from the MECC at 113:15, and return from the resort at 15:30

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