Annual Report | 2009
Celebrating 75 years serving Australian Anaesthetists
Objects of the Australian Society of Anaesthetists

• Advance the science and art of anaesthesia in Australia and related disciplines to achieve international best practice.

• Promote education and training in anaesthesia and related disciplines.

• Prescribe high standards of practice and professional conduct and to maintain the objects of such standards.

• Encourage and support research related to anaesthesia.

• Publish a scientific journal and encourage other publications in the sphere of anaesthesia.

• Facilitate communication between practitioners in anaesthesia and related disciplines.

• Enhance the professional status of anaesthesia.

• Preserve, at all times, the professional independence of anaesthetists in whatever capacity they may be serving.

• Protect the economic and legal interests of anaesthetists.

• Work effectively with other medical organisations.

• Foster the personal health and welfare of members, associates and their families.

• Encourage the preservation of history related to anaesthesia.

• Do all such other things as may be incidental to or conducive to the attainment of the above objects.

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ASA – Vision, Mission, Goals

Vision
To promote and protect the status, independence and interests of Australian Anaesthetists.

Mission
Representing Australian Anaesthetists, since 1934.

Goals
1. Membership and Membership Services
   Valued, relevant and effective services to members.

2. Governance and Finance
   Financially and corporately responsible.

3. Profile, Public Relations and Communications
   Increased profile of the Society and the specialty within the medical profession, government and the wider community.

4. Education, Research and Publishing
   Recognised nationally and internationally for the quality of its endeavours in education, research and publication.

5. Best Professional Practice
   Recognised for supporting professionalism, quality and safe practice.

6. Economic Issues
   Successfully represent the economic interests of members.
The ASA has been representing anaesthetists since 1934. To mark its 75 years of representation, the Society sponsored a number of lectures in various states and territories. This anniversary was recognised by both the Association of Anaesthetists Great Britain and Ireland and the New Zealand Society with the presentation of a beautifully crafted gavel and greenstone mere, respectively.

In its 75th year the Society continued the pursuit of its mission, ensuring that Australian anaesthetists have had strong representation in an environment of massive healthcare policy reform. The consultation phase in most areas is coming to completion with the implementation of the reforms now in progress; this however, does not mean there is not a lot more to be done. The membership has grown, and continues to grow, from seven in 1934 to over 2700 in 2009, reflecting the enormous achievements of the Society. This has given us a strong voice in the debate; however many challenges are ahead and I would hope that our strength is increased through the recruitment of more members.

Despite the huge demands on resources, the Society’s committees have continued to be extremely active and well supported by our staff. At the same time, we have navigated the challenging financial times and remain in a sound financial position due to the rigorous budgetary process undertaken by the Treasurer Dr Michael Tuch and the assiduous oversight of operations by Executive Director Mr Peter Lawrence. Due to an unrealised investment loss of $479,551 a small deficit of $21,825 has been reported.

Office Bearer Changes
Dr Andrew Schneider completed his two-year term as the Victorian Chair and was succeeded by Dr Antonio Grossi. Andrew’s lively contribution to Council meetings is missed. Queensland Chair Dr Paul Cook has just completed a three-year term and has been replaced by Dr Gerry Turner. Similarly Paul’s contribution, particularly his informative reports, is also missed.

Dr Aileen Donaghy completed her time as Chair of the Salaried Specialist Advisory Committee. Her contribution over the last five years has been greatly appreciated. Professor Stephen Gatt has taken over as Chair of the new Public Patient Advisory Committee.

GASACT Chair Dr Amanda McBride has stepped down and Dr Luke Wilson has taken over this position.

Anaesthesia and Intensive Care
The Journal continues to thrive. There have been some changes however, to the Editorial Board. Dr Alan Duncan has retired as Chief Editor but will remain as an Editor. Dr Neville Gibbs has been appointed as Alan’s successor. Dr Rod Westhorpe retired from the Editorial Board in September but will continue to contribute the Journal’s cover note and photos. Dr Michael Corkeron has been appointed as a new Intensive Care Editor. We are immensely grateful to both Alan and Rod for their contributions and are appreciative of their continued input.

Economics Advisory Committee
Dr Andrew Mulcahy and the committee have again been very active with representations to Medicare Australia, the Department of Health and Ageing, the Productivity Commission and health funds. A further Practice Managers’ Workshop was held in March – this popular member benefit was again fully subscribed. The Economics Advisory Committee has assisted a large number of members through responding to queries relating to anaesthesia billing throughout the year. The 12th edition of the Relative Value Guide is now available in four formats for members (iPhone, Excel, PDF and booklet) thanks to the editorial oversight, again this year, by Dr Mark Sinclair. After nine years Andrew will be handing over the reins of the committee to Mark in January. Andrew’s numerous achievements in this role have greatly benefited all anaesthetists and I wish to extend our immense gratitude to him.

Professional Issues Advisory Committee
Under the stewardship of Dr Jim Bradley, the Professional Issues Advisory Committee has continued to consider many aspects of professional practice as well as the review and development of the Society’s Position Statements. The committee has received useful direction from the membership through surveys undertaken via the website highlighting their issues and concerns.

Overseas Development and Education Committee
Dr Rob McDougall and his committee have continued to support anaesthesia (both service and education) in Fiji despite the difficult environment. Their other activities benefit not only the South Pacific but also Mongolia with a strong commitment to the education and
development of anaesthetists in these areas.

Workforce and Survey
The workforce report by Access Economics jointly commissioned by the ASA and Australian and New Zealand College of Anaesthetists has been completed. Dr Richard Grutzner’s analysis highlighted the difficulty in the collection and interpretation of such data for such long periods into the future. The ASA will continue to monitor workforce issues through its own surveys.

Communications Committee
This committee has continued with updating the ASA’s communication styles in all areas. However its major undertaking for this year was the development of the new website which was launched in October. This represents a huge amount of work by Dr Greg Deacon and the members of the communications team and I congratulate them on the end product.

General Practitioners Anaesthesia Committee
The General Practitioners Anaesthesia Committee has met regularly throughout the year under the Chairmanship of Dr Charles Nadin, identifying the many issues of concern that extend over such variable geographic and demographic locations. Recognition and continuing professional development remain high on the agenda.

Retired Anaesthetists Group
The Retired Anaesthetists Group had two national meetings in the last year, one in Wellington at the ASA/ New Zealand Society of Anaesthetists’ Combined Scientific Conference and one in Cairns at the Australian and New Zealand College of Anaesthetists’ Annual Scientific Meeting. New South Wales functions were held at the Edgecliff offices and at Cockatoo Island. The Victorian branch was very active with luncheons and lectures, and also won the Victorian ASA debating competition. South Australia continued with second monthly luncheon meetings and the Queensland branch held a small meeting each month.

History of Anaesthesia Library, Museum and Archives
Cataloguing of the complete Richard Bailey Library is nearing completion, thanks to our Curator/Librarians Ms Elizabeth Wall and Dr Peter Stanbury. The cataloguing is in line with the National Library of Medicine’s modification. Both the Library and Museum are ready to receive visiting groups. Our ASA members’ presentations at the 7th International Symposium on the History of Anaesthesia in Crete made a positive impact and the 2013 meeting will be held in Sydney.

Australia and New Zealand Tripartite Anaesthesia Data Committee
This tripartite project has made great progress under Professor Martin Culwick’s direction. Pilot sites in
Australia and New Zealand have been established with protection under the various jurisdictions being obtained. The next phase will deal with the utilisation and feedback of the information collected.

**Group of ASA Clinical Trainees**

The Group of ASA Clinical Trainees (GASACT) has continued to be active this year. Despite the time challenges of work and exams, GASACT has contributed to state Part Zero and Part III courses as well as attending international meetings in the UK and the USA. Some states have a higher participation rate than others and it is GASACT’s aim for 2010 to engage all states equally.

**General Practitioner Anaesthetist Locum Scheme**

This project funded by the Department of Health and Ageing has completed its planning phase and is now in its pilot phase. The first placements are expected in early 2010.

**Benevolent Fund**

The Fund continues to provide short-term assistance to members and their families when hardship occurs and I would encourage all to contribute. Donations are tax deductible.

**National Scientific Congress**

The Darwin Convention Centre was the venue for this year’s highly successful Congress, which provided a superb scientific and social program that had something for everybody.

The Convenor Mark Sinclair, Scientific Convenor Dr Waleed Alkhazrajy, Social Convenor Dr Brian Spain and their Committee are to be congratulated on their ability to achieve such a success despite being based in two states and having only two face-to-face meetings.

**Awards and Honours**

**Franciscus Junius**

Dr Franciscus Junius was recognised this year in the Australia Day Honours List for service to medicine through research and clinical innovations in the use of the heart-lung machine and the improved outcomes for patients with the award of the Medal of the Order of Australia.

**Brian Pezzutti**

In the Australia Day awards Dr Brian Pezzutti was awarded the Conspicuous Service Cross for outstanding achievement.

**Stephen Gatt**

In May Professor Stephen Gatt was awarded the Fellowship of the Royal College of Anaesthetists in recognition of his outstanding contribution to anaesthesia worldwide.

**In Memoriam**

During the past year we have lost two contributors to the Society and the anaesthetic community.

**Sydney Giddy OAM**

Past Victorian Committee of Management Chair Dr Giddy was recognised in 2008 with an OAM for his services to anaesthesia and the local Ballarat community.

**Dorothy Ffoulkes-Crabbe**

In 1995 Professor Ffoulkes-Crabbe became an Honorary ASA Member when she was the ASA’s Overseas Visitor to its National Scientific Congress in Melbourne. She was a great contributor to the World Federation of Societies of Anaesthesiologists and to anaesthesia in Western Africa.

**Conclusion**

I would like to thank our Executive Director, Peter Lawrence who leads a team of dedicated staff for whom nothing is too much trouble. This year has seen a period of consolidation at headquarters. Peter and the team, with their application to our operations, have enabled us to weather the recent economic travails in the best shape possible. Without their dedication we would not have our achievements to reflect upon.

Finally, I wish to thank all ASA office bearers for their contributions and support over the last 12 months. I would particularly like to acknowledge the contributions of the State and Committee Chairs and that of the Federal Executive who have all diverted time from their families, practices and leisure activities to ensure we continue our mission.

The ASA has represented anaesthetists since 1934 – the profession now faces its greatest challenges to date. I would encourage all to become involved in the Society. Our strength resides in our membership.

*Elizabeth Feeney*

*President*
Council and Executive Committee

Roles and responsibilities

The ASA is a public company limited by guarantee. The Council of the ASA is also the Board of Directors of the company. The Council comprises a President (who shall act as Chair), the Immediate Past President, the Vice-President, the Honorary Federal Treasurer and eight Councillors (consisting of a representative from each State or Territory and the Executive Councillor).

Clause 6 of the ASA Constitution describes the structure, role, responsibilities and objectives of the ASA Council and the ASA Executive Committee. The ASA Constitution is available on the ASA website: www.asa.org.au.

Economics Advisory Committee

Objects of the ASA within this committee

- Preserve, at all times, the professional independence of anaesthetists in whatever capacity they may be serving.
- Protect the economic and legal interests of anaesthetists.
- Work effectively with other medical organisations.

Roles and responsibilities

The Economics Advisory Committee and its officers are responsible for advising the Council on all financial matters relating to the practice of anaesthesia and through the Council, advising members and associates. They should also be able to answer complaints or enquiries from patients or their agents relating to financial matters referred by the ASA Headquarters.

Activities in 2008/2009

- Representations to Medicare Australia, the Department of Health and Ageing, the Productivity Commission and health funds.
- A fully subscribed Practice Managers’ Workshop held in March.
- The introduction of new anaesthesia items and increases in unit values into the Medicare Benefits Schedule.
- Production of the 12th edition Relative Value Guide.

Professional Issues Advisory Committee

Objects of the ASA within this committee

- Promote education and training in anaesthesia and related disciplines.
- Prescribe high standards of practice and professional conduct and to maintain the objects of such standards.
- Enhance the professional status of anaesthesia.
Summary of the Principal Committees (continued)

Dr James Bradley, Chair, Professional Issues Advisory Committee

- Work effectively with other medical organisations.
- Foster the personal health and welfare of members, associates and their families.

Roles and responsibilities

The role of the Professional Issues Advisory Committee is to provide advice to the Council and members on professional issues. This includes, but is not restricted to:

- Clinical practices and standards.
- Clinical Credentialling and privileging issues.
- Professional indemnity insurance.
- Continuing professional development.
- Professionalism.

Activities in 2008/2009

- Reviewed and developed the Society’s Position Statements.
- Reviewed Mi-tec patient information brochures.
- In conjunction with the Economics Advisory Committee, surveyed all members by email on professional and financial consent issues.
- Made submissions to the Productivity Commission and responses to the National Health and Hospitals Reform Commission, National Maternity Review and the Draft Australian Medical Council Code.
- Produced a discussion paper on office-based surgery.
- Produced new Anaesthesia & you brochures.

Education Officer

Objects of the ASA within this committee

- Advance the science and art of anaesthesia in Australia and related disciplines to achieve international best practice.
- Promote education and training in anaesthesia and related disciplines.

Roles and responsibilities

The role of the Education Officer is to assist the ASA Council to promote education and training in anaesthesia and related disciplines by ensuring all educational activities are appropriate, integrated and efficacious.

While the Education Officer is not responsible per se for the execution of member educational activities he or she has oversight of them, including:

- The scientific program of the National Scientific Congress (NSC).
- Continuing Medical Education Meetings for which the ASA has part or full responsibility.
- Overseas development activities that involve education.
- ASA education programs, such as JAMonline, Part zero and Part III Courses.

Specifically the Education Officer:

- Sets the educational objectives for the ASA and encourages the effective marketing of educational activities.
- Co-ordinates the national framework of Continuing Medical Education meetings in conjunction with ANZCA.
- Is accountable for the Education Budget.
- Provides a written report to each Council face-to-face meeting (three times per year) and attends the CSC Council Meeting on educational achievements.
- Develops and integrates the educational initiatives of the ASA.
- Maintains a national resource centre for course and presentation syllabi and teaching materials.
- Represents the ASA’s position at ACECC meetings in conjunction with the ASA President.
- Advises Council on all aspects of continuing education.
- Liaises with the following Committees to ensure cross communication:
  - Editorial Board of Anaesthesia and Intensive Care.
  - NSC Federal Committee.
  - NSC Organising Committee.
  - Overseas Development and Education Committee.
  - State and Regional Committee Continuing Medical Education representatives.
  - Regional Anaesthesia Special Interest Group.
  - History and Resuscitation Special Interest Group.
  - Group of ASA Clinical Trainees.

Workforce and Survey Committee

Objects of the ASA within this committee

- Advance the science and art of anaesthesia in Australia and related
disciplines to achieve international best practice.

• Do all such other things as may be incidental to or conducive to the attainment of the ASA's objects.

Roles and responsibilities
The role of the Committee is to advise Council on workforce and survey issues. Such issues include but are not limited to:

• Determining the appropriate distribution of anaesthetists (specialist and non-specialist) to satisfy national and regional demand.

• Determining the reasons why the number of anaesthetists may be at variance to the ideal.

• Suggesting strategies to attract and retain anaesthetists to areas that are inadequately serviced by anaesthetists.

• Managing the regular member survey that the Council uses to inform itself on the membership profile.

• Approving workforce related surveys to members that are initiated from or through the Secretariat. All other surveys should be approved by the Communications Committee.

• Providing reports to Council, as required, on information gathered from member surveys.

Activities in 2008/2009
• Completion of the workforce report by Access Economics jointly commissioned by the ASA and Australian and New Zealand College of Anaesthetists.

Communications Committee
Objects of the ASA within this committee
• Advance the science and art of anaesthesia in Australia and related disciplines to achieve international best practice.

• Publish a scientific journal and encourage other publications in the sphere of anaesthesia.

• Facilitate communication between practitioners in anaesthesia and related disciplines.

Roles and responsibilities
The role of the Communications Committee (CC) is to advise Council on all aspects of communications within the ASA. Where appropriate, the CC is to propose standards, guidelines and styles for the various products used by the ASA to communicate externally and internally.

Responsibilities include preparation and annual review of the ASA Style Guide, a brief guide to the standards and styles to be employed on all ASA materials and the ASA website. The ASA Style Guide includes, but is not limited to guidance for:

• The ASA logo and any other logos employed or shared by the ASA.

• ASA templates for correspondence and committee documentation.

• ASA news and Annual Report.


• Media releases.

• Brochures and published policies.

• Membership forms.

• Certificates, medals, honour boards and badges.

• Marketing and display materials.

• Content of the published material remains the responsibility of the committee commissioned or responsible for preparing the material.

Additionally, nominated members of the CC are to exercise oversight of the ASA’s websites for their relevancy, consistency and currency on a two monthly basis. Responsibility for maintaining the websites and their respective pages remains with the respective ASA staff member.

The Chair of the CC will include a review of the websites in his or her reports to Council. The CC will also establish the guidelines for media or marketing campaigns requested by the Council. The CC normally meets at the ASA National HQ as required but at least four times a year.

Activities in 2008/2009
• Development of the new ASA website.

The Editorial Board of *Anaesthesia and Intensive Care*

Objects of the ASA within this committee
• Advance the science and art of anaesthesia in Australia and related disciplines to achieve international best practice.

• Promote education and training in anaesthesia and related disciplines.

• Encourage and support research related to anaesthesia.

• Publish a scientific journal and encourage other publications in the sphere of anaesthesia.

Roles and responsibilities
The Editorial Board is appointed by the ASA Council to oversee production of the *Anaesthesia and Intensive Care* Journal.
ASA Benevolent Trust Fund Report

The ASA Benevolent Trust Fund was established in 2001 to assist Australian anaesthetists, their families and dependants who are in dire necessitous circumstances. The Trust Fund is maintained exclusively from members’ donations and interest on the balance of the fund. During the 2008/2009 financial year the Trust Fund received $4025 in donations from 15 members.

Fortunately, the Trust Fund has infrequent calls for support. In the last financial year there was one request for assistance and the Trustees approved payment of $10,000. The payment was greater than the interest and donations received, so the balance available to assist anaesthetists has been reduced. The current financial status of the Trust Fund is summarised here.

If you become aware of a member who is in need of assistance, even of a temporary nature, please contact the Society’s Executive Director or your State Committee of Management Chair and advise them of the situation. The nature of the Trust Fund is that it is quite discretionary and confidential, allowing the directors to provide assistance expeditiously and discretely.

The ASA thanks the following members for donations to the ASA Benevolent Trust Fund in the last financial year:

Dr Rhonda Boyle  
Dr Donald Stewart  
Dr Mark Hayman  
Dr Robert McDougall  
Dr Petrus Vemeulen  
Dr Richard Clarke  
Dr Stuart Day  
Dr Sai Fong  
Dr David Williamson  
Dr Greg Deacon  
Dr Peter Lane  
Dr Andrew Schneider  
Dr Elliot Rubinstein  
Dr Rod Westhorpe  
Dr Michael Hodgson

You are reminded that should you sponsor a new ASA member, you are entitled to receive a rebate of 10% of your subscription in the following year. Many members have chosen to donate the value of this rebate to the Benevolent Trust Fund instead of reducing next year’s subscription. Alternatively, direct donations are very welcome. The Society is grateful for the generosity of members who contribute to the Trust Fund.

The balance of the Fund at 30 June 2009 was $37,757. The cash flow for the Fund during the last financial year was:

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The ASA Benevolent Trust Fund is a discretionary trust fund formed in 2001 in order to assist Australian anaesthetists and their families in necessitous circumstances.

In recent years, assistance has been made available by the Society to a number of families of anaesthetists who have encountered such circumstances.

Contributions to the Fund are tax deductible.

The Society encourages members to actively contribute to the Benevolent Trust Fund as a way of assisting their colleagues and families in times of need.

Members may not be aware of the 10% discount to their annual membership subscription for each new member they introduce to the Society. Many members eligible for this discount have chosen to donate the 10% deduction instead to the Benevolent Trust Fund.
During 2009, the ASA expanded its business operations with the addition of the General Practitioner Anaesthetists’ Locum Scheme (GPALS), a specialised locum service for GP anaesthetists (GPA) located throughout rural and remote Australia. Country GPAs face several chronic barriers to readily accessing locum support, including their smallness in number, uneven national distribution, the absence of a centralised body to facilitate communication amongst them and the vastness of Australia.

GPALS, a Commonwealth Government funded rural health initiative, is designed to overcome these barriers to achieve the Scheme’s objectives of: 1) readily enabling rural and remote GPAs access to locum support for professional and personal leave, thereby facilitating safety and quality in patient care and enhancing job satisfaction and; 2) maintaining the access of rural communities to anaesthesia services.

The Specialist Obstetrician Locum Scheme (SOLS) is the prototype for the GPALS business model. A contributing factor to the success of SOLS, also funded by the Commonwealth, is that its administrator, the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, has recognition amongst its participants. Such recognition is a key reason why the Department of Health and Ageing (DHA) approached the ASA about managing a locum scheme for GPAs.

The DHA invited the ASA in late 2008 to undertake a review on the feasibility of establishing the Scheme, thus beginning the first of the four phases in establishing GPALS. The review’s affirmative conclusion led to the second phase, commencing in June 2009, of preparing a funding proposal for GPALS.

The proposal segued into the project plan phase, which, inter alia, involved preparing a business model, contracts, policies, procedures, an evaluation plan, a communication strategy and a roll-out timeline. The core business fundamentals incorporated in the final project plan include:

- a locum can be an Australian registered medical practitioner who is a GP with Joint Consultative Committee on Anaesthesia accreditation or a specialist anaesthetist recognised by the Australian and New Zealand College of Anaesthetists;
- a host must be located in Remoteness Areas 2 to 5 and can be any of the following parties seeking locum relief on behalf of a GPA: an individual GPA, a practice or a hospital;
- over a 12-month period and per individual GPA, a host is eligible for subsidies of up to $1500 per placement for travel costs, $750 per day locum service fee for up to 14 days per year and an anaesthetic facilities handover for each placement;
- a locum is eligible for a subsidy of up to $500 for travel time per placement and reimbursement of the cost of medical registration in an additional jurisdiction;
- the ASA is the facilitator of locum placements and is not the employer of a locum during a placement.

On 8 September 2009, the final phase was secured when the DHA signed off on the funding agreement for the Society to manage GPALS over a 10-month pilot period and a consecutive 12-month period for the Scheme to reach maturity. During this time, the ASA will receive funding in excess of $1,100,000 to facilitate 400 days in toto of locum support.

In the two months since the GPALS marketing campaign began, a pleasing number of expressions of interest have been received – approximately 30 from doctors seeking locum work and 10 from parties seeking to engage a locum. First placements are anticipated to occur in early 2010 and this timeframe is comparable with that of SOLS beginning.

The opportunity to administer GPALS presents benefits to the ASA including raising the Society’s profile, particularly throughout rural and remote Australia, and expanding the professional support available to the Society’s GPA members.

Dianne Bennett
GPALS Program Co-ordinator
## ASA Life Members, Gilbert Brown Awardees, Honorary and 50 Year Members

### Life Members
- Dr Richard John Bailey
- Dr James Palmer Bradley
- Dr Peter Brine, AM
- Dr Kester (TCK) Brown, AM
- Dr Gregory John Deacon
- Dr Peter Edgeworth Lillie
- Dr Patricia Mackay (nee Wilson), OAM
- Dr Donald Charles Maxwell
- Dr Brian James Pollard
- Dr John Gordon Roberts
- Professor W John Russell
- Dr Jeannette Rae Thirlwell
- Dr Walter Ross Thompson
- Dr John Brodribb Tucker
- Dr Rodney Neill Westhorpe
- Dr Gregory Paul Wotherspoon

### Honorary Members (continued)
- Professor Henry Barrie Fairley
- Professor Stanley Feldman
- Professor John Michael Gibbs
- Professor Sven Erik Gisvold
- Professor Ronald Jones
- Dr Roger Kilham
- Professor Richard Kitz
- Dr Robert Merin
- Professor Ron Miller
- Professor Lucien Ellis Morris
- Sir Gustav Nossal
- Mr John O’Dea
- Professor Cedric Prys-Roberts
- Professor Felicity Reynolds
- Associate Professor Margaret Rose
- Professor Michael Rosen, CBE
- Professor Alastair A Spence
- Professor Thara Tritrakarn
- Professor Hideo Yamamura

### 50 Year Members (continued)
- Dr Desmond Patrick Dineen
- Dr Bernard Leslie Dunn
- Dr Henry Paul Dyer
- Dr Vera Gallagher
- Dr Robert Mager Gray
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2009 Honours, Awards, Grants and Prizes

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[Images of Professor Ross Holland, Dr John Lauritz, and Dr Haydn Perndt]

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[Images showing Dr Walter Thompson being presented with his Life Membership by Drs Elizabeth Feeney and Andrew Mulcahy, and Dr Richard Bailey]

Dr Walter Thompson being presented with his Life Membership by Drs Elizabeth Feeney and Andrew Mulcahy
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Other ASA Awards

**Gilbert Troup Prize**
*Medal and $5000*

**Drs Robyn Gillies and Margaret Perry**
*Preliminary results of the analysis of the entire ryanodine receptor Type 1 coding region for mutations associated with malignant hyperthermia in Australian families*

**Best Paper Award**
*Citation for each author and $2000 for first author*

**Drs Nga Yin Fung, Yung Hu, Michael Irwin, Bernadette Chow and M. Yuen**

**Best Poster Award**

**First Prize – Citation and $1000**

**Dr Ian Woodforth**
*The cheapest ANZCA T3 complaint anaesthetic machine?*

**Second Prize – Citation and $500**

**Dr Matthew Newman**
*Intrathecal catheters: immediate or delayed removal following inadvertent dural puncture in labour. The ICID study protocol*

**Third Prize – Citation**

**Dr Woonkwan Hyun**
*Assessment of cardiac diastolic function during laparoscopic colon operation using transesophageal Doppler echocardiography*
Sponsored Awards

Jeanne Collison Prize
Citation and $5000
Dr Elizabeth Hessian
The analgesic efficacy of transversus abdominis plane blocks after abdominal surgery

Jackson Rees Research Grant
Citation and $15,000
Dr Christopher Hugh Mitchell
Perusal study

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Citation and $15,000
Drs James Griffiths and Myles Conroy
A multi-centre, randomised double-blind comparison of single-shot transversus abdominis plane (TAP) blockade with intermittent boluses via bilateral TAP catheters in lower abdominal laparotomy

Smiths/ASA Young Investigator Award
Citation and $3000
Dr Vanessa Percival
Single-dose dexamethasone use for post-operative nausea and vomiting increases the risk of developing post-operative infections

Dr Katrina Webster
Rectus sheath analgesia in intensive care patients: technique description and case series

Dr Daniel Lane
Perioperative hypertension in cataract surgery: an audit of 256 patients

Diners Club/ASA Award
Citation and $5000
Dr Maryanne Balkin
A randomised controlled trial of two advanced videolaryngoscopes in patients with features associated with difficult intubation in a real world setting
## Summary Financial Statement 2008/2009

### Balance Sheet

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**Surplus / (Deficit) from Ordinary Activities**

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