



# NEWSLETTER

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### *2011 Spark Of Life Conference*

*Sheraton Hotel, Perth 7-9 April 2011*

**T**he 2011 Spark of Life Conference is fast approaching so be sure to put the date in your diary!

**A** number of international keynote speakers have been approached but have not as yet confirmed their attendance. They include:

Jerry Nolan (UK)  
Gavin Perkins (UK)  
Graham Nichol (USA)  
Bob Hickey (USA)  
Jeff Perlman (USA)

**W**e hope to have as many as five international keynote speakers together with a number of prominent invited speakers. The registration fee has been set for the two day conference as follows:

#### Early Bird Registration

Before 7<sup>th</sup> March 2011

\$550.00 (inclusive of GST)

#### Late Registration

From 8<sup>th</sup> March 2011

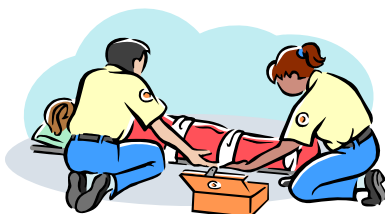
\$605.00 (inclusive of GST)

**A**n information brochure which will include registration form, preliminary program and call for abstracts will be available in late July 2010. This will be forwarded to all ARC subscribers as well as posted on the ARC website [www.resus.org.au](http://www.resus.org.au)

## C2010 CONSENSUS ON SCIENCE TIMETABLE FOR MANAGING THE PROCESS

**A**s advertised in the November 2009 Newsletter, the extensive evidence based review of the resuscitation science undertaken under the auspices of ILCOR is nearing completion. To prepare for possible changes in resuscitation guidelines following this international science review the following process and timetable has been established.

- **27/28 April 2010**  
Consensus on Science (CoS) document will be signed off by ILCOR. CoS document embargoed and submitted for publication to the journals Circulation and Resuscitation.
- **15/16/17 July 2010**  
Joint ARC and NZRC meeting to review/prepare guidelines in response to the resuscitation evidence being published in CoS. Councils will have confidential pre-publication access to CoS for this purpose.
- **28/29 October 2010**  
CoS document will be published in the journals Resuscitation and Circulation. Public access to CoS available from this date. Final draft ARC and NZRC guidelines circulated for comment with feedback required by 24<sup>th</sup> November 2010.
- **26/27 November 2010**  
Joint ARC and NZRC meeting to review feedback received and ratify guidelines.
- **December 2010**  
Release of ARC and NZRC Resuscitation Guidelines.



### **GUIDELINE 9.4 - GUIDELINES FOR THE PREPARATION OF POSTERS ON RESUSCITATION**

**T**his guideline has been deleted from the ARC manual. Please remove this guideline from your manual.

**I**ncluded with this newsletter is a new Index of Guidelines (4 pages) to reflect the deletion of guideline 9.4.

### **ARC INSTRUCTOR COURSES**

ARC Instructor Courses have been scheduled during 2010 as follows:

Ambulance Service NSW	1/2 May
Royal Perth Hospital WA	2/3 June & 19/20 Oct
Lyell McEwin Hospital SA	22/23 July
Royal Melbourne Hospital	9/10 Nov

**I**f you have successfully completed the cobadged ARC/RC(UK) ALS Provider course and were IP'd (Instructor Potential) by the course Faculty, you are eligible to sit an ARC Instructor Course. Registration forms for all the above courses are on the ARC website [www.resus.org.au](http://www.resus.org.au) via the ARC Instructor Course link.

### **ARC ACCREDITATION OF ALS COURSES**

**A**t the March 2010 Council meeting it was decided that the ARC will no longer offer accreditation of ALS courses, effective immediately.

**C**ourses which have been accredited by the ARC will not be eligible to submit their courses for re-accreditation once their current accreditation expires.

## TASMANIAN COURSES

In February 2010, the ARC ran back to back ALS Provider Course and ARC Instructor Course over four days at the Tasmanian Ambulance Service in Hobart.

General Practice Training Tasmania (GPTT) in Hobart has registered with the ARC as an ALS course centre and it is hoped that with the excellent results from the back to back courses they will soon be in a position to conduct ALS courses for Tasmanian candidates.

The ARC would like to thank the Faculty members (pictured below) for giving up their time to teach on these courses over the four days.



Left to Right: Terry Brown (Observer), Mike Gale (Course Director), Andy Symons, Maggie Briggs, Peter Mckie, Hugh Grantham, Anthony Tzannes, Wim Smithies, Conrad Wareham (Co Director), Michelle Miranda (front)



### *New from the Heart Foundation – resources for people with heart disease*

Patients with heart disease are at greater risk of having a heart attack, yet are no more aware of the warning signs than the general population.

**You can help.** We have developed a *Will you recognise your heart attack?* action plan and patient fact sheet to help you to educate your patients and ensure they know:

- the warning signs of heart attack
- what to do
- why it's important to act quickly.

These resources are free for patients and their carers.

To order the resources and for more information, contact us at:

[health@heartfoundation.org.au](mailto:health@heartfoundation.org.au) or 1300 36 27 87.

## RENEWING YOUR ARC SUBSCRIPTION

**Please Note:** Renewal notices for your subscription are no longer issued. Thirty days prior to your expiry date, when you login to the Subscriber's Only Area of the ARC website, you will receive a reminder to renew your subscription. If you miss this you will need to go to the Renew ARC Subscription link and complete the registration page, submit and pay your subscription.

**NEWSLETTER EDITOR  
MRS CAROL CAREY**

*UPCOMING EVENTS*



**Resuscitation 2010**  
**ON THE HORIZON**

April 30th – May 1st 2010 • Auckland, New Zealand

 **NEW ZEALAND Resuscitation Council** [www.nzrc.org.nz](http://www.nzrc.org.nz)  
Whakahauroa, Aotearoa

Conference secretariat: Conferences & Events Ltd | Phone: +64 472 0337 | Email: [nzrc@confer.co.nz](mailto:nzrc@confer.co.nz)

*FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT*

The banner features a large image of a tree on a green field under a blue sky with clouds. To the right is a collage of four smaller images: a sailboat on water at sunset, a fern frond, the CN Tower in Toronto, and a beach scene.

**2010 AUSTRALIAN WATER SAFETY CONFERENCE**

**Thursday 13 & Friday 14 May 2010**

**Novotel Hotel Brighton Beach  
Cnr. The Grand Parade & Princess Street, Brighton-le-Sands NSW**

Further Information:

<http://www.watersafety.com.au/2010Conference/ConferenceProgram/tabid/88/Default.aspx>



**AUSTRALIAN COLLEGE OF CRITICAL CARE NURSING (ACCCN)**

Critical Care Nursing Continuing Education

**11th Annual Meeting ICE 2010**

Friday 21 - Saturday 22 May 2010  
Novotel Sydney Brighton Beach, New South Wales

Further details: contact the ICE Secretariat at [ice@accn.com.au](mailto:ice@accn.com.au)

## ACAP CONFERENCE 2010

ACAP invites you to join us in Perth, WA 14-16 October 2010  
At the Sheraton Hotel, for Conference 2010  
“Clinical Leadership”



For conference details, updates, speakers and registration information please go to the College website at [www.acap.org.au](http://www.acap.org.au) and click on the conference advertising banner.



### COLLEGE OF EMERGENCY NURSING AUSTRALASIA

8th International Conference for Emergency Nursing

14-16 October 2010 in Canberra

Further information: <http://www.cdesign.com.au/cena2010/index.html>

### ANZICS/ACCCN INTENSIVE CARE ASM 2010

14-16 October 2010

Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre

**Further details:**

ANZICS/ACCCN Intensive Care ASM 2010 Secretariat:

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Website: [www.intensivecareasm.com.au](http://www.intensivecareasm.com.au)

## ARC VICTORIAN BRANCH CONFERENCE

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> December, 2010

Venue to be advised  
(CBD Melbourne)

Further Details:

Email: [tony.walker@ambulance.vic.gov.au](mailto:tony.walker@ambulance.vic.gov.au)

## 8<sup>TH</sup> INTERNATIONAL SPARK OF LIFE CONFERENCE

*SHERATON HOTEL, PERTH 7-9 April 2011*



Overlooking the Swan River and foreshore parks, the Sheraton Perth Hotel offers a great location.

Updated information will be posted on the ARC website as it becomes available.

Further details:

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