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7TH INTERNATIONAL SPARK OF LIFE CONFERENCE

Hotel Grand Chancellor, Hobart 30th April – 2nd May 2009

Register now!

Registration Fee for the 2 day Conference 1-2 May 2009

\$495.00 (inclusive of GST) – before 30th March 2009

\$528.00 (inclusive of GST) – after 31st March 2009

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS



**Closing date for submission of Abstracts
and Poster presentations 30th January 2009.**

Download all relevant information for the conference from the ARC website.

www.resus.org.au

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Further details:

Mrs Carol Carey, Conference Convenor, Tel: (03) 9249 1214 or Email: arc@surgeons.org

**ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR JEFF
WASSERTHEIL**



24.07.1953 - 22.09.2008

A Professor Jeff Wassertheil passed away on 22nd September 2008 at aged 55. Jeff achieved a lot in his 55 years and he will be sorely missed by many.

Jeff attended his first Council meeting in July 1995 and his last in March 2008. Over 13 years Jeff was an active and enthusiastic member of Council and contributed an enormous amount. He represented the ARC at the Guidelines 2005 conference in Dallas, Texas and served us well. Jeff had a wonderful sense of humour and always had a joke to tell.

Jeff was appointed the Director of Emergency Medicine at Peninsula Health in 1998. He demonstrated strong leadership and enthusiasm in Emergency Medicine, inspiring many doctors and nurses to choose a career in this field. He had the ability to mentor and foster strong loyalty and friendship with his colleagues in the department.

A Professor Jeff Wassertheil was a wonderful physician, researcher, mentor and friend to many. His legacy will include nurses and medical practitioners who were inspired and learnt from him, and the many patients who owe their lives to him. His leadership in Emergency Medicine, experience in Resuscitation, Disaster Medicine, and Mass Casualty and Major Event management were recognised internationally.

Council's condolences are extended to his wife Correne and his children Leoni, Andrew, Michael, and Ben.

ARC WEBSITE
www.resus.org.au

Readers would have read in the July 2008 Newsletter about Council's decision to make the ARC guidelines freely available and printable to all visitors to the website. The website has been revamped to incorporate this change. Some visitors have reported that they have found it confusing and time wasting locating the guidelines.

The website will once again be modified to simplify the problems being experienced.

SUBSCRIPTION RENEWALS

The 2009 subscription renewal notice will be distributed with this newsletter and we would encourage subscribers to continue to subscribe.

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NEW COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

- Dr Helen Liley has been co-opted to Council as our Neonatologist expert to replace Dr Colin Morley. Helen is a Senior Staff Specialist (Neonatology) at the Mater Health Services in Queensland.
- Dr Ramanathan Narendranathan (Naren) will represent the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (RACGP). Naren replaces Dr Chris Hogan who represented the RACGP for five years. Naren is a Senior Staff Specialist and is the Medical Adviser for Medicare Australia.

ALS & ILS COURSES

These courses continue to run predominately in Western Australia; however ALS courses have been run more recently at the Royal Melbourne Hospital, Ambulance Service of NSW and Lyell McEwin Hospital in SA.

Those wishing to attend these courses can contact the course centres direct for course fees and timetables etc. Course dates will be posted on the ARC website as they become available. www.resus.org.au

COURSE CENTRES

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Catherine Gale
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ARC ALS INSTRUCTOR COURSES

These courses are fully run by the ARC. A pilot course was run in May 2008 and two courses have been run since the pilot course; one at the Royal Perth Hospital on 9-10 October and one at the Royal Melbourne 19-20 November. Both courses were very successful with a 100% pass rate.

2009 Courses

CTEC (WA)

5-6 March 2009

Expressions of interest to:
Amanda Grauze

amanda.grauze@ctec.uwa.edu.au

Royal Perth Hospital (WA)

11-12 OR 21-22 May 2009

1-2 September

Expressions of interest to:
Maggie Briggs

Maggie.briggs@health.wa.gov.au

Further course dates will be posted on the ARC website as they become available.

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Reduce the risk and loss of valuable newborns with this newborn resuscitator & aspirator. Farmers can now reduce stock loss with this simple to use resuscitator that assists in clearing the airways of new born calves, lambs, kids etc.

**NEW AND/OR UPDATED
GUIDELINES**

Yellow Border

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Blue Border

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Guideline 8.1 Principles of Control of Bleeding for First Aiders

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Guideline 8.15 First Aid for Asthma

Guideline 8.16 Heat Induced Illness (Hyperthermia): First Aid Management

Guideline 8.18 Management of Suspected Spinal Injury

Guideline 8.19 The First Aid Management of Hyperventilation Syndrome

Guideline 10.1.2 The Use of Oxygen in Emergencies



**SEASONS
GREETINGS TO ALL
OUR READERS**

**DRAFT GUIDELINES CURRENTLY
UNDER REVIEW**

The following draft guidelines will be issued to member organisations and State Branches as committee working drafts and will be considered at the next meeting of Council.

Guideline 8.4 Shock

Guideline 8.6 Priorities at the Scene of a Road Accident

Guideline 8.8 Hypothermia: First Aid and Management

Guideline 8.9.4 Envenomation – Bee, Wasp & Ant Stings

Guideline 8.23 Anaphylaxis – First Aid Management

Guideline 9.6.1 Cross Infection Risks and Manikin Disinfection

Guideline X Managing Peri-Arrest Arrhythmias

**NEWSLETTER EDITOR
MRS CAROL CAREY**

UPCOMING EVENTS

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FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT

8TH INTERNATIONAL "SPARK OF LIFE" CONFERENCE

SHERATON HOTEL, PERTH, WESTERN AUSTRALIA

7-9 April 2011

Updated information will be posted on the ARC website as it becomes available www.resus.org.au

Heart Foundation Conference 2009



Hearts in focus – celebration, collaboration and challenges
14-16 May 2009 Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre

Call for abstracts

Authors are invited to submit abstracts for poster and oral submissions on original work for the Heart Foundation Conference.

- Abstract submission closing date: 3 December 2008
- Acceptance notification: 23 February 2009
- Author and speaker registration deadline: 23 March 2009

For abstract subthemes, submission and further information, visit www.heartfoundation2009.com/abstracts. If you are unable to submit online, telephone +61 2 9265 0700 or email heartfoundation2009@tourhosts.com.au