



ACEM Winter Symposium

Alice Springs, NT, Australia
26 - 28 July 2015



REGISTRATION AND CONFERENCE PROGRAM





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SYMPOSIUM VENUE

Alice Springs Convention Centre
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The Alice Springs Convention Centre, with an abundance of natural light and spectacular views of the MacDonnell Ranges, is a modern and fresh alternative for conferences and incentives. The Centre boasts state of the art facilities, professional friendly service and offers delegates the opportunity to experience the true essence of the outback. The Alice Springs Convention Centre offers a unique destination: the true outback.

INVITATION TO ATTEND

Dear Colleagues,

We would like to invite you to attend the 2015 ACEM Winter Symposium in Alice Springs from the 26th to the 28th of July.

We are planning a program that will have a broad appeal to fellows, trainees, emergency nurses and rural generalists. The themes of the conference are Indigenous health, rural medicine, toxinology, social media and education. In addition, we will be running pre-conference workshops, including a Pre Hospital and Retrieval course looking at the challenges of providing pre hospital care to an area of over 1 million square kilometers.

A concurrent activities program will appeal to partners or anyone interested in seeing the fabulous scenery that central Australia has to offer. Some of the activities we plan to offer include a pre-conference trip to Uluru, camel riding, hot air ballooning and guided mountain bike riding as Alice Springs has some of the best mountain bike riding terrain in Australia.

The conference will be held at the Alice Springs Convention Centre which has spectacular views of the MacDonnell ranges and is well located with the Todd Mall, art galleries and cultural centre all easily accessible. There will be accommodation options available to suit varying budgets and within walking distance to the Convention Centre.

Winter is when Alice Springs is at its best. Bright, clear blue sunny days are sure to lift your spirits. It can be very cold at night (sometimes below zero degrees), so we ask you to bring warm clothing. The conference dinner will be held at the Telegraph Station, which is a heritage area in Alice Springs. It is an outdoor event, so make sure you bring your favourite beanie.

We look forward to welcoming you to the heart of Australia for a conference embracing the old and the new.

Stephen Gourley
On behalf of the organising committee



KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Victoria Brazil MBBBS, FACEM, MBA

Victoria Brazil is an emergency physician and medical educator.

She is a senior staff specialist at the Gold Coast Health Service in Queensland, Australia, where she works in clinical emergency medicine practice, and at the 'coalface' of teaching. Dr Brazil is also an Associate Professor within the School of Medicine at Bond University, where she is Theme Lead for "Doctor as Practitioner".

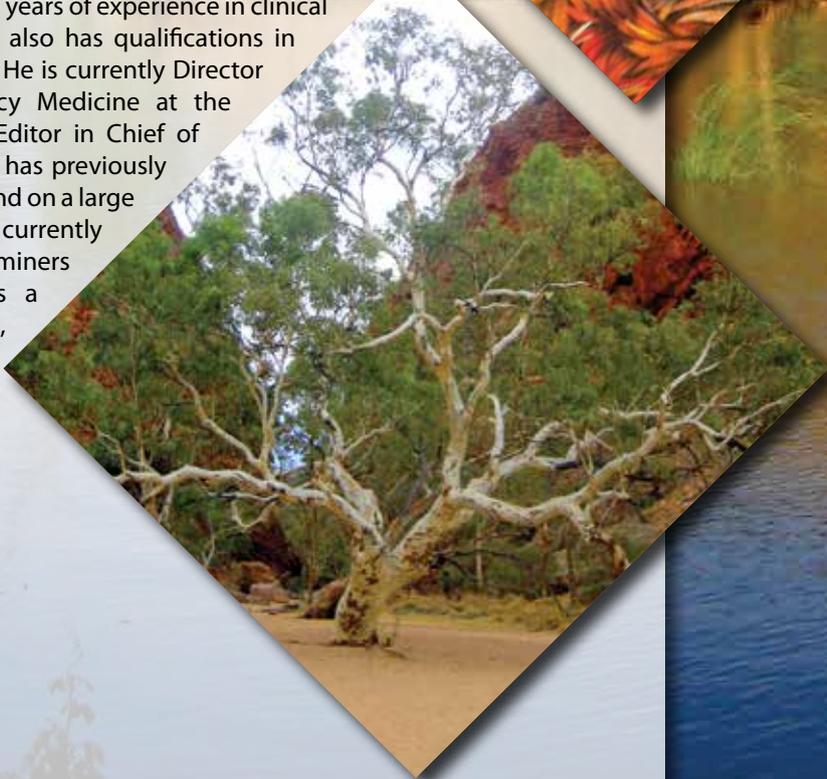
Dr Brazil special interests include technology in medical education, social media, and simulation based learning. Her research interests focus on utilizing simulation of patient journeys as a tool for improving patient outcomes.

She was previously the first Director of Queensland Medical Education and Training (QMET), within Queensland Health, focusing on medical education and workforce policy and strategy.

Victoria is frequently invited to speak at national and international conferences in both emergency medicine and medical education. She is a previous Fulbright scholar (2002) and received the ACEM Teaching Excellence award in 2008.

Robert Dunn

Bob is an Emergency Physician with 30 years of experience in clinical practice in a variety of settings who also has qualifications in management and applied languages. He is currently Director of Clinical and Academic Emergency Medicine at the Royal Adelaide Hospital and is the Editor in Chief of The Emergency Medicine Manual. He has previously served as Regional Censor for SA/NT, and on a large number of college committees and currently serves on the Senior Court of Examiners and Examiners Committee. He has a particular interest in resuscitation, ultrasound, acute cardiology, trauma, organisational behaviour and rational decision making.



INVITED SPEAKERS

Tim Baker

Associate Professor Tim Baker is an Emergency Physician and Director of Deakin University's Centre for Rural Emergency Medicine (CREM). He works at a regional and two small rural emergency departments in Victoria. He has spent his last five years researching small rural emergency departments, and working with government and non-government programs to advocate for the needs of small hospitals.

Stephen Brady

Stephen Brady is a rural general physician and rheumatologist. He has been Head of the Department of Medicine at Alice Springs Hospital since 2001. His interests include rural medicine, Indigenous health and mountain biking.

Will Davies

Will Davies completed his medical degree and early training in the UK. He moved to Australia and became the first person to sit the FACEM exam out of Alice Springs. Will has an interest in remote and hostile area emergency medicine. He has spent time working with military operations in Afghanistan and Iraq, as well as in mountain operations in Indian Kashmir. For the last 5 years, he has been working in the Highlands region of Papua New Guinea, and more recently, Northern Iraq. When not overseas he lives with his family in Coffs harbour and works at the local ED on a very casual basis.

Peter Deutschmann

Peter Deutschmann is a general surgeon and public health physician with considerable experience in rural and remote settings, principally in India where in earlier years (1982-95) he provided surgical and primary health care services for a population of 250,000 in rural north India.

In 2012 Peter took up an appointment as a consultant general surgeon at Alice Springs Hospital, Northern Territory. Through this appointment he maintains his interest and engagement in Indigenous health and the delivery of health services to remote and rural populations. In the decade prior this Peter led the development of the discipline of international and global health at the University of Melbourne, where he still remains active as a professorial fellow.

Kylie Dingwall

Dr Kylie Dingwall is a Post Doctoral Research Fellow at Menzies in Alice Springs. Her research has explored the neuropsychological, and contextual factors contributing to substance misuse and its harms in an Indigenous context. She has also been involved in the development of culturally relevant tools to measure and address cognitive and mental health issues in Indigenous groups.

Lucy Donaldson

Lucy Donaldson is an Education Assessment Officer at ACEM. Lucy coordinates Workplace-based Assessment at ACEM, and oversees the work undertaken by the members of the WBA Panels. Lucy works closely with the Assessment, Training and CRP teams to operationalise the new training program.

Lucy has previously worked in program coordination in the Not for Profit sector, as well as in Educational roles at Apple and the University of Melbourne.

Lucy considers herself an early adopter, and enjoys the challenges and rigorous thinking that come with curriculum change.

Joseph Epstein

Associate Professor Joseph Epstein was prominent in the field of Emergency Medicine in Victoria when he was elected a Foundation Fellow of the Australasian College for Emergency Medicine. He was the first College Censor for Victoria and was appointed Deputy Censor-in-Chief and Chair of the Primary Examination Committee in 1984. Associate Professor Epstein was President of the College from 1988 to 1992. The first Primary Examination was conducted under his direction and the framework he established for that examination remain largely intact to this day.

Jill Faulkner

Jill Faulkner has worked across thirty years responding to children, women and men who have experienced violence, abuse and trauma. In this work she has been drawn to feminist, anti-oppressive and decolonising practices to develop ways of working across community based organisations that support practice that is located within a social and political context and supports the healing and reparation of women, children, men, their families and communities. This work has taken her to the communities of the Pilbara for many years responding to the impact and effects of past government policies of forcible removal; to Melbourne managing a domestic violence service supporting women and children who have experienced gendered violence, the collaborative development of a healing service and sexual assault services and managing a primary health care service. Jill is deeply committed to shared spaces with Indigenous communities that are able to support the development of a model of healing that is transformative for both children, their families and communities.

Samuel Goodwin

Samuel Goodwin is Acting Executive Director of Medical and Clinical Services with the Central Australian Health Service in Alice Springs in the Northern Territory.

After graduating from James Cook University, Dr Goodwin undertook further training in remote areas of the Northern Territory, completing fellowship of the Australian College of Rural and Remote Medicine (ACRRM) and recently completing the requirements to graduate with a Master of Public Health and Tropical Medicine at James Cook University.

Dr Goodwin maintains his clinical practice as a rural generalist at the Tennant Creek Hospital, GP anaesthetist at the Alice Springs Hospital and mainstream general practitioner. Dr Goodwin credits his time in Central Australia with providing him with the skills and adventurous experience he hoped for in his postgraduate years.

Stephen Gourley

Stephen is the Director of the Alice Springs Emergency Department and has a commitment to rural and remote medicine and Indigenous health. He has a broad range of interests, including leadership and education. Stephen has a Masters in Health Administration with an interest in medical ethics and law as well as patient quality and safety. He also has a Graduate diploma in Medical Education which ties in well with management skills. Interestingly both are related to communication and behaviour change. He is a senior lecturer with both Flinders and UQ medical schools. Stephen is the NT Faculty Chair for ACEM and sits on a number of committees as well as being the AMA NT Vice President. Outside of work he enjoys snow skiing, travel and good company.

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Paul Helliwell

Paul Helliwell has been a staff specialist at Alice Springs Hospital since 2003. Prior to that worked in New Zealand at Christchurch and Invercargill. Previously he has worked as a general practitioner in the UK, Tristan da Cunha, and on the Chatham Islands, New Zealand. Dr Helliwell is the Director of Clinical Training for Alice Springs.

Dr Helliwell has an interest in frequent attenders and published a paper on this. Many patients who are frequent attenders suffer from alcohol abuse disorder. In central Australia, renal disease also results in many patients attending repeatedly.

Dr Helliwell has been collecting reliable figures for episodes of domestic violence since 2007. This is closely tied up with alcohol abuse issues. The figures for alcohol abuse have also been collected by the Emergency Department at Alice Springs Hospital.

Tim Henderson

Tim Henderson grew up in central Africa, moved to the UK in his teens and did his medical and eye training in the UK. He did a corneal research fellowship with Professor Coster in Flinders Medical Centre in 1998. He worked as an NHS consultant ophthalmologist in Yorkshire before taking on the challenge of head of the eye department in Alice Springs Hospital in July 2000. He visits numerous remote communities each year on the specialist outreach program. He is a Senior Lecturer in ophthalmology with the NT Clinical School, Flinders University and supervises the RANZCO accredited training eye registrars and Fred Hollows Foundation Fellows. He is keen to develop a sustainable regional eye service to allow timely access to high quality eyecare. He sits on various local and national vision related committees to help drive this. He has 2 children at university and enjoys time at home with his wife, a highly respected GP educator and medical author, and 2 fluffy dogs. He would like to spend more time on the golf course to keep his handicap in single figures.

Anna Holdgate

Associate Professor Holdgate is an Emergency Physician who divides her work between research, teaching and clinical Emergency Medicine. She is the director of the Emergency Medicine Research Unit at Liverpool Hospital, an executive editor for Emergency Medicine Australasia journal and a senior College examiner. She was awarded the ACEM Teaching Excellence award in 2013 and a recipient of the John Gilroy Potts award for research in 2014. She hovers half way on the spectrum from luddite to early adopter, but at the time of writing is still contemplating a name for her twitter handle.

Cheri Hotu

Cheri Hotu is an endocrinologist and general physician based at Alice Springs Hospital. She is also part of a diabetes outreach team, delivering care to remote communities. She holds a post doctoral research fellowship with Baker IDI Heart & Diabetes Institute Central Australia. Her research interests include finding effective models of healthcare delivery in diabetes care to delay the progression of cardiovascular and renal disease in Indigenous populations.

Geoff Isbister

Geoff Isbister is a Clinical Toxicologist and Emergency Physician at the Calvary Mater Newcastle. He is a clinician researcher funded by an NHMRC Research Fellowship with major interests in clinical toxicology, including multicentre studies on snake bite, spider bite and drug overdose. His is part of a clinical toxicology

collaboration that has an NHMRC Program grant for \$6.8million. Much of his research challenges long held views about the treatment of poisoned and envenomed patients, making clinicians re-look at what evidence there is for various treatments and why we use various treatments. He has published over 220 peer reviewed original research publications, as well as reviews in the Lancet and New England Journal of Medicine.

Jacob Jacob

Ollapallil Jacob is a General Surgeon at Alice Springs hospital and senior lecturer of the Flinders University for the last 15 years. After completing surgical training in multiple disciplines in India, he worked in Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea as a general surgeon and senior lecturer of the University of Papua New Guinea for 14 years. His current clinical and research areas of interest are Trauma, acute pancreatitis and delivery of surgical services to indigenous people across barriers of distance and culture. Dr Jacob is the first recipient of the Indigenous health medal from the College of Surgeons for his continues and sustained services for the indigenous people for central Australia.

Rich Johnson

Rich Johnson is an emergency physician who trained in both the UK and Australia with a long standing interest in delivering medical care to Indigenous populations in remote and austere environments having worked in mission hospitals, with mountain rescue, the UK HEMS service GNAAS as well as currently being Director of the Alice Springs Retrieval service.

Martin Kelly

Martin Kelly is a GP who has worked for Nganampa Health Council in remote clinics in Central Australia for more than 15 years. Principal interests are rural and remote practice, indigenous health and medical practice in resource poor environments. Martin worked part time for a number of years at the Plunkett Centre for Ethics in Health Care (Sydney) and his particular ethical interests are autonomy competence and trust in the clinical encounter. His doctoral thesis was called "Trust me, I'm a Doctor."

Rosalie Kunoth-Monks

Actor and Aboriginal Activist, Born 1937, Utopia NT

Until the age of nine, Rosalie Kunoth-Monks lived on remote Utopia Station in the Northern Territory where she learnt the Aboriginal laws of her tribe, the Amajjere people. Her father insisted she attend school in Alice Springs, where in 1953 she was discovered by filmmakers Charles and Elsa Chauvel. Rosalie won the lead role in *Jedda*, a film that became an Australian classic.

Filming took Rosalie away from the life she had known. Though for a year she was exposed to totally new and bewildering experiences, once production was completed she resumed her former life for a time.

Rosalie became increasingly attracted to the Anglican Church. In 1960 she moved to Melbourne, joined the Community of the Holy Name and became a nun. After ten fulfilling years in the convent, Rosalie left to set up the first Aboriginal hostel in Victoria. In 1970 she married, settled in Alice Springs and became involved in social work and politics.

The then Northern Territory Chief Minister, Paul Everingham appointed her an adviser on Aboriginal affairs. Rosalie stood for election to the Northern Territory Legislative Assembly in 1979, in order to fight the proposed construction of a dam which threatened sacred land. Although not elected, she continued to

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oppose the dam, which remained a hot issue for another decade. The issue was finally resolved in 1992 when plans for the dam were abandoned.

Recently Rosalie returned to Utopia Station, where she now lives while continuing to fight for the advancement of her community and her people.

Nicole Liesis

Nicole is passionate about improving the health of our workplace as a means to delivering better health care for patients. She has been working with 50 FACEMs over the last 2 years as part of the ACEM Mentoring Champions Program. She has been involved in defining and refining how quality mentoring can be provided in the Emergency Department setting. Currently working part-time at Joondalup Health Campus in Perth, one of the busiest EDs in the country, she has established a structured mentoring program to support Registrars and Consultants. She feels that developing a constructive and supportive approach in our team-based environment is essential if we are to sustain an engaged, productive work-force in Emergency Medicine.

Liz Mowatt

Liz Mowatt took up the job as Director of Emergency Medicine at Alice Springs Hospital in January 2000. It was her first appointment as a fellow, and it made her the first FACEM in Central Australia. Over the next 10 years, there were many changes in the town and the hospital, while she oversaw many developments in the Emergency Department itself. Although she now lives and works in Far North Queensland, her time in Alice has left a deep impression on her practice, her passions, her other professional roles and her life in general. Since she left in October 2009, she has only been back for one night, as she knows a part of her heart will be in Alice forever, and it is possible the Centre will grab her again and not let go. She did bring two things to the coast with her that keep her strong and focused these days, her daughter Sophie who was born in Alice, and Sophie's father, who she first met in that outback town.

Rex Neindorf

Rex grew up in the lush Riverland town of Berri in South Australia. Family members were allergic to dogs and cats (luckily) so the young reptile enthusiast brought home lizards instead. This interest in reptiles led to Rex studying Conservation and Park Management at the University of South Australia.

After graduating Rex took up a position as Reptile Keeper at Bowman Park in the mid north of South Australia where he plied his trade for three years. Leaving Bowman Park he moved to Glendambo in far north SA staying for another three years with 29 other people, 22,500 sheep and 2 million flies.

In 1997 Rex moved to Alice Springs with a view to opening his own Reptile Park which was achieved in January 2000 with the opening of the Alice Springs Reptile Centre. 30,000 people visit the Reptile Centre annually with the most famous including Sir David Attenborough and the late Steve Irwin.

The Reptile Centre houses over 200 reptiles comprising over 60 species and consistently rates as one of Alice's top attractions. The Reptile Centre operates the towns reptile removal service, provides animals for film and television work, undertakes venomous snake training courses and rehabilitates injured reptiles as part of Wildcare Inc. Alice Springs.

Chris Nickson

Chris is an Intensivist at The Alfred Hospital in Melbourne and is the Monash SPPM-Alfred ICU Education Practitioner Fellow. He completed his medical degree at the University of Auckland, and continued post-graduate training in New Zealand, as well as the Northern Territory, Perth and Melbourne in Australia. He is also an emergency physician and has completed further training in clinical toxicology and clinical epidemiology. He is involved in coordinating The Alfred ICU education programme, including the In Situ Simulation programme, convenes the 'Critically Ill Airway' course and teaches on many other Alfred ICU courses. He edits the Alfred ICU's education website, INTENSIVE, and is co-creator of free open-access medical education (FOAM) projects such as Lifeinthefastlane.com, the RAGE podcast and the SMACC conference. On Twitter, he is @precordialthump.

Claire Roche

Dr Claire Roche (pronounced Roach) is an advanced trainee in Emergency Medicine at the Gold Coast University Hospital in Queensland. Originally qualifying in the UK back in 2004 where the surf is a little colder, she has moved to warmer climates in 2008 and has been providing medical cover at the world surfing league events for over three years whilst working at the same time in one of the busiest emergency departments in Queensland. She has had publications in the BMJ and BMJ sport several times as well as online surfing journals such as surflife.com for her work in remote areas and surfing events.

Cherian Sajiv

Dr Cherian Sajiv is a Renal physician who has been working for more than 10 years with the indigenous patients of Central Australia. His clinical expertise includes general nephrology and dialysis with specific interests in indigenous renal medicine and interventional nephrology (esp. endovascular techniques). He is currently the Director of Central Australian Renal Services based at the Alice Springs hospital. He is also the Clinical Director of the Northern Territory Renal Services (incorporating Darwin and the Central Australian region) and is an Adjunct Senior Lecturer with the Flinders University. He is involved in a range of collaborative clinical research activities (in indigenous health) with Menzies School of health research in the Central Australian region.

Barbara Shaw

Barbara Shaw was born in Alice Springs, a descendent of the Warramunga, Kaytetye, Arrernte and Warlpiri people, and a 4th generation town camper.

One of 7 siblings, she has worked tirelessly as an advocate for human rights and the environment.

In the past 7 years she has travelled twice to the UN in New York for the Permanent Forum on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, to the Durban review in Ireland, Geneva and most recently this year to Canada. She is a founder of the Intervention Rollback Action Group, has been a Greens' candidate, is on several boards (CAAMA, CLC and Tangentyere) and is currently working as Coordinator for the Womens Committee of Tangentyere Council working with town camp women on community safety and tackling domestic and family violence.

Penny Stewart

Penny Stewart is the director of Alice Springs Intensive Care where she has been working for 10 years. Special interests are in Aboriginal Health and developing intensive care services in rural and remote areas.

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Penny has previously worked as a consultant in Royal Prince Alfred Hospital Sydney (as an Intensivist) and Children's Hospital (as an anaesthetist).

Other interests are in developing educational and research opportunities in rural areas and in rural clinical schools. For this work, she was awarded the Burns- Apler Teaching Award 2009 (Flinders University) and received the Northern Territory clinical educator of the year 2013.

Shane Tan

Shane Tan is an emergency staff specialist at Alice Springs Hospital and has been a juggler for over 15 years. He has attended several international juggling conventions and helped organise the Sydney Juggling Convention for several years. He has taught beginner to advanced workshops on various juggling skills including ball juggling, club passing and contact juggling. Shane maintains a special interest in clinical education and has worked as a simulation instructor at Sydney Clinical Skills and Simulation Centre as well as recently completing a Graduate Certificate of Clinical Education (Flinders University).

Amelia Turner

Amelia Turner, Angangkere (Traditional Healer)– Amelia was born and grew up at Ltyentye Apurte (Santa Teresa). She went to school at Santa Teresa and in Melbourne. She lived in Maningrida for about 10 years. Amelia's parents were and are both senior cultural leaders. Amelia is following in their footsteps, as a cultural leader, traditional healer (Angangkere) and leading artist. She sits on a number of boards. Amelia has played a key role supporting Akeyulerre's Angkwerre-Iweme (Traditional Healing) Project over the past four years. In 2014 she was awarded Indigenous Person of the Year by the Alice Springs NAIDOC Week Committee for her tireless service to her community.

Camilla Tuttle

Dr Camilla Tuttle is a post-doctoral researcher at Baker IDI Heart & Diabetes Institute Central Australia. She has a PhD in asthma epigenetics from the Institute of Health and Biomedical Innovation (IHBI), Queensland University of Technology (QUT). Her interest in epigenetic research has focused on the interplay between environment and genetics, and how that can contribute to disease. Her current research is focusing on improving the diagnosis, management and treatment of cardiovascular diseases and other chronic diseases within the Indigenous population of Central Australia.

Hilary Tyler

Hilary Tyler is a FACEM who has worked in Alice Springs for the past 10 years, and is somewhat passionate about Indigenous health. She is a member of the ACEM subcommittee on Indigenous Health, was part of the Promoting Cultural Safety Programme and is doing her MPH in Indigenous Health. She is involved in campaigns for social justice around Aboriginal issues at a local and national level.

Maureen Williams

Maureen comes to the Symposium as a patient advocate with more than 40 year experience within the health system – she has lived with Addison's disease and has been admitted to A&E, well over 100 times.

In the early days of her illness, she founded the Sydney chapter of the Australian Addison's Disease Support Group – meeting at Westmead and Royal North Shore, organising Endocrinologists to share knowledge.

With a background as a classical singing performer and a post graduate degree in counselling – Maureen has been involved in working with the Australian Institute for Patient and Family Centred Care – speaking at Conferences, Meetings and Symposiums in various fields of the health system.

She was recently invited to join ACEM in the capacity of patient advocate and has been delighted to be able to contribute to The Quality Standards document.

Michelle Withers

Sydney-trained Emergency Physician based in Alice Springs since 2009. Interested in education, training, rural and remote medicine, and all things outdoors.

Julian Willcocks

Jules is an emergency physician in Gosford on the Central Coast of NSW where he also wears the DEMENT hat. For the past few years he has also been coming to Alice Springs to work whenever he can squeeze it into his roster. He undertook the ACEM Mentoring Champions Program last year and subsequently set up a mentoring program in Gosford ED. Following on from this he is expanding the mentoring to a hospital wide program for new interns which is due to start at the beginning of next year. He is studying coaching training through the Institute of Executive Coaching and Leadership to complement the mentoring process. He is a founding director of the Twice the Doctor charity and when not working likes to indulge his alternate career of playing poker or spend time at the beach.

PROGRAM

PROGRAM AT A GLANCE

Saturday 25 July	Sunday 26 July	Monday 27 July	Tuesday 28 July	Wednesday 29 July
Start of overnight Uluru tour	Workshops/Optional activities	Sessions/Workshops/Optional activities	Sessions/Optional activities	Optional activity
	Welcome Reception	Free night	Conference Dinner	

DETAILED PROGRAM

The information in this program is correct at the time of printing. The organisers reserve the right to change without notice any aspect of the program.

Key - room allocation

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Sunday 26 July 2015					
1200 - 1800	Registration open				
1330 - 1530	Workshops (see page 7 for further information)				Optional Activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Camel Safari · Desert Park · Mountain Bike Riding · West MacDonnell Ranges Bus Trip · Standley Chasm (see page 10/11 for further information)
	Mini-CART	Paediatric critical care	Cultural awareness	Mentoring	
1530 - 1545	Afternoon tea				
1545-1730	Workshops				
	Mini-CART (cont.)	Paediatric critical care (cont.)	Cultural awareness (cont.)	Mentoring (cont.)	
1800 - 1930	Welcome Reception Alice Springs Convention Centre				

Monday 27 July 2015				
0800 - 1730	Registration open			
0900 - 1030	Opening Session Chair: Stephen Gourley			
	0900-0930 <i>Smoking and welcome to country. Welcome to Alice Springs</i> 0930-1010 <i>History of Alice Springs Emergency Medicine and Indigenous Health Outcomes for Central Australia</i> Liz Mowatt & Stephen Gourley 1010 - 1030 <i>History of EM in Australia</i> Joseph Epstein			
1030 - 1100	Morning tea			
1100 - 1230	Quality Standards in ED Chair: Paul Helliwell	Medicine in the Red Centre Chair: Anna Fairbairn	Critical Care in the Most Remote Hospital in Australia Chair: Michelle Withers	Free Papers Chair: Yusuf Nagree
	Tim Baker Didier Palmer Leeanne Trenning Maureen Williams ACEM, CENA and consumer group representatives have worked together over the past 18 months to develop quality standards for emergency departments and hospital urgent care centres in Australia. These will provide a "pathway to excellence" that makes clear what could and should be provided in emergency care while recognising that in the many small rural and remote hospitals these will aspirational goals.	1100 - 1120 <i>Social determinants of health</i> Hilary Tyler 1120 - 1140 <i>Rheumatic Fever</i> Stephen Brady 1140 - 1200 <i>Diabetes and Bronchiectasis</i> Cheri Hotu 1200 - 1220 <i>Renal Failure and Dialysis</i> Cherian Sajiv	1100-1130 <i>ICU perspective</i> Penny Stewart 1130-1200 <i>Trauma surgery</i> Jacob Jacob 1200-1230 <i>The tyranny of distance for retrieval</i> Richard Johnson	Please see page 10 for information on the Free Paper session
1230 - 1330	Lunch			

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1330 - 1500	Workshops (see page 8 for further information)					Optional Activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Desert Park · Mountain bike riding · West MacDonnell Ranges Bus Trip · Simpson Gap and Mbantua Starlight Bush Dinner (See page 14/15 for further information)
	Ophthalmology Chair: Stephen Gourley	Cultural competency Chair: Simon Chu	Fellowship exam Chair: Michelle Withers	Healing Centre Chair: Hilary Tyler	Juggling	
1500 - 1530	Afternoon tea					
1530 - 1730	Plenary Session - Healing in the Centre Chair: Hilary Tyler					
	1530 - 1600 <i>Angangkere - Traditional healing stories - Amelia Turner</i> 1600 - 1630 <i>Service delivery in remote Australia - Sam Goodwin</i> 1630 - 1700 <i>Exploring the pervasive costs of childhood and adult trauma in an Indigenous context (of coercive practice and policy) - Jill Faulkner</i> 1700 - 1730 <i>Town camp resident and advocate - Barb Shaw</i>					
Free night						
Tuesday 28 July 2015						
0800 - 1730	Registration open					
0900 - 1030	Plenary Session - Ethics, Learning and Teaching in Remote Australia Chair: Stephen Gourley					
	0900-0930 <i>Education theory - then and now</i> Victoria Brazil 0930-1000 <i>Provision of education in remote Australia - EMET, EMC and STP programs</i> Nina Kilfoyle & Sam Goodwin 1000-1030 <i>Ethics of remote medicine</i> Martin Kelly					
1030 - 1100	Morning tea					
1100 - 1230	Town and Country Chair: Shane Tan	Death and Dying Chair: Michelle Withers	Updates in Emergency Medicine Chair: Anna Fairbairn			
	1100-1130 <i>Alcohol in central Australia – Myth and reality</i> Paul Helliwell 1130-1200 <i>Retrieval of the acutely disturbed patient from remote communities</i> Richard Johnson 1200-1230 <i>Social determinants of health - community support</i> Danielle Campbell	1100-1130 <i>Ethics of palliation</i> Martin Kelly 1130-1200 <i>“Having the conversation”</i> Penny Stewart 1200-1230 <i>Legalities of death and dying</i> Stephen Gourley	1100-1130 <i>EM Updates</i> Robert Dunn 1130-1200 <i>WBA update</i> Lucy Donaldson & Simon Chu 1200 - 1230 <i>It ain't just friendly conversation: mentoring in EM</i> Nicole Liesis			
1230 - 1330	Lunch					
1330 - 1500	Research in the Centre Chair: Graham Williams	Emergency Medicine in Remote Settings: Tracy Walczynski	Toxinology Chair: Richard Johnson	Workshop Chair: Hilary Tyler	Optional Activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Camel Safari · Desert Park · Mountain Bike Riding · West MacDonnell Ranges Bus Trip (see page 14/15 for further information)	
	1330-1400 <i>Baker IDI update</i> Cheri Hotu & Camilla Tuttle 1400-1430 <i>Menzies update</i> Kylie Dingwall & Jennifer Delima 1430-1500 <i>Poche Centre for Indigenous Health update</i> John Binda Reid	1330-1350 <i>Surf Medicine</i> Claire Roche 1350-1410 PNG Will Davies 1410-1430 <i>Finke Desert Race</i> Michelle Withers 1430-1450 <i>By the seat of my pants: Emergency Medicine in an earlier era</i> Peter Deutschmann	1330-1415 <i>Live snake demonstration</i> Rex Neindorf 1415-1500 <i>Discussion about snake antivenom and update</i> Geoff Isbister	<i>The art of performance in medicine</i> Victoria Brazil (see page 8 for further information)		
1500 - 1530	Afternoon tea					
1530 - 1630	Great Debate					
	FOAMed is all froth and bubble Moderator: Simon Chu Affirmative: 1. Bob Dunn 2. Anna Holdgate Negative: 1. Victoria Brazil 2. Chris Nickson					
1630 - 1700	Closing Ceremony Rosalie Kunoth-Monks					
1830 - 2300	Conference Dinner <i>Telegraph Station</i>					

FREE PAPER PRESENTATIONS

Monday 27th July

Time	Name	Organisation	Title
1100 - 1115	Dr Thomas Cheri	Midcentral DHB	What happens to these patients! Exercise tolerance test referrals from a regional Emergency Department
1115 - 1130	Dr Ruth Large	Waikato District Health Board	Implementing a patient kiosk in the Emergency Department; a feasibility study
1130 - 1145	A/Prof Diana Egerton-Warburton	Monash Medical Centre	Update on the ACEM project: Reducing alcohol harm in EDs
1145 - 1200	A/Prof Drew Richardson	Australian National University	Case-control study of general ward boarders: How much of the difference in mortality is due to patient factors?
1200 - 1215	Dr Joe-Anthony Rotella	Austin Health	Accuracy of QT interval measurement on ECGs displayed on electronic 'smart' devices
1215 - 1230	Dr Mathew Greenston	Palmerston North Hospital	Is just Mr. T good enough? MACE Rate using a negative high sensitivity troponin strategy

WORKSHOPS

Limited places are available in each of these workshops and positions will be allocated upon receipt of registration and payment. If minimum numbers are not reached, the organisers reserve the right to amend or cancel a workshop. Minimum and maximum numbers apply to all workshops.

SUNDAY 26 JULY

Mini-CART

Time: 1330 -1730

Cost: \$150

This three hour workshop aims to introduce the concepts of remote retrieval medicine, a different paradigm to hospital medicine and often a stark contrast to urban rotary work. The workshop consists of an introductory presentation and discussion, skill acquisition and maintenance with a wet lab surgical airway station and clinical scenarios outlining some of the challenges presented by the retrieval of critically ill patients from some of the most remote communities in our vast country.

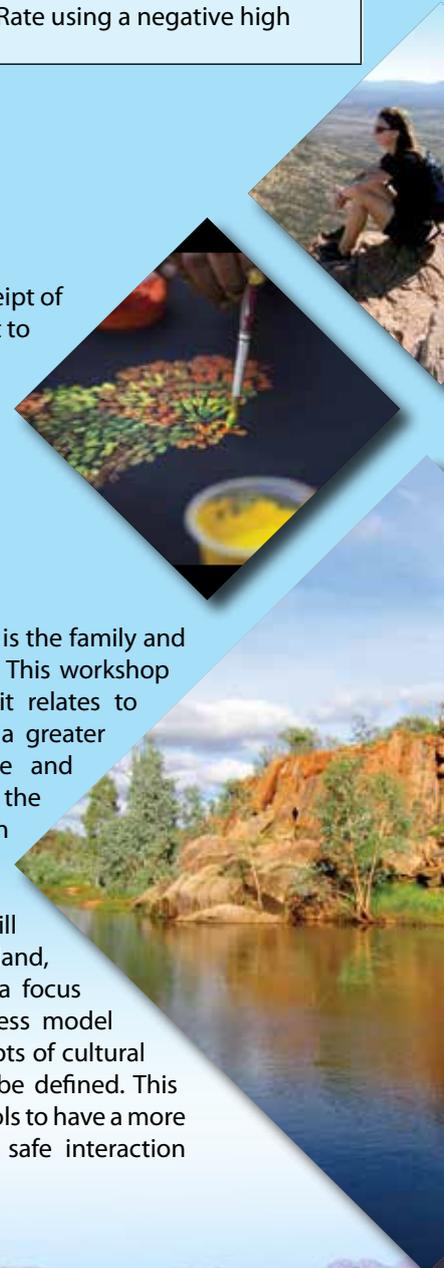
Rich Johnson is an emergency physician who trained in both the UK and Australia with a long standing interest in delivering medical care to Indigenous populations in remote and austere environments having worked in mission hospitals, with mountain rescue, the UK HEMS service GNAAS as well as currently being Director of the Alice Springs Retrieval service.

Cultural awareness

Time: 1330 -1730

Cost: \$130

"The foundation of Aboriginal culture is the family and connection to the land" - Akeyulerre. This workshop explores this connection and how it relates to health. It aims to provide you with a greater understanding of Aboriginal culture and communication. We will delve into the different communication styles, both verbal and non-verbal and compare cultural beliefs and practices, including traditional healing. It will examine the connection between land, family, community and health with a focus on wellness, as opposed to the illness model we are more familiar with. The concepts of cultural safety and cultural competency will be defined. This workshop will provide you with the tools to have a more productive, satisfying and culturally safe interaction with your Indigenous patients.



WORKSHOPS

This course will be facilitated by Ms Colleen Hayes, Aboriginal Cultural Educator with Flinders NT and the Poche Centre for Indigenous Health. Colleen is a custodian of country north of Alice Springs with extensive experience in health and education settings. She will be joined by A/Prof Kerry Taylor, Deputy Director of the Poche Centre NT, who also has long term experience in delivering cultural safety training and Indigenous health.

Paediatric critical care

Time: 1330 -1730

Cost: \$150

This workshop will cover the basics of critical care paediatrics including, paediatric arrest and common critical care conditions. Skill sessions will cover the paediatric airway, assessment of paediatric patient and emergency vascular access. This workshop is aimed at a practical level and would be suitable for anyone wanting to brush up on their paediatric critical care skills or gain more confidence.

The workshop will be facilitated by Paediatric Critical Care Specialists.

Mentoring

Time: 1330 -1730

Cost: \$20

Following on from the success of the Mentoring Champions Programs in 2013 & 2014, FACEMs & trainees who share an interest in mentoring are meeting to network and share ideas/successes from their respective Mentor Programs. Anyone with an interest in mentoring is welcome to attend and join a group of likeminded Emergency Physicians to support & develop mentoring in the workplace.

This workshop will cover some of the aspects involved in mentoring and coaching as well as in setting up a mentoring program. It is ideally suited not only for those who want to know more about mentoring and how to gain skills and experience in this role, but also for more experienced mentors who would like to exchange ideas and be involved in planning the future direction of mentoring in Emergency Medicine. There will be talks on mentoring (what it involves and what it isn't!) coaching skills, and updates from around the country from FACEMs who have, or are in the process of, introducing mentoring programs, along with the lessons they've learnt to help make the process less arduous for others and more likely to be successful. Finally, there will be a discussion open to all on how best to proceed with training of mentors and support the introduction of mentoring programs in the future and where mentoring sits within the College structure.

This course will be facilitated by FACEMs who have undergone the Mentoring Champions program in 2013 and 2014 through ACEM.

MONDAY 27 JULY

Ophthalmology

Time: 1330 - 1500

Cost: \$20

Afraid of eyes? Want to brush up on some basic skills? This workshop will give you some practical advice and skills to be able to care for common emergency eye presentations. It will cover skills such as: use of the slit lamp, corneal foreign body removal, everting the eyelid, eye patching and basic fundoscopy. There will be a practical approach to undifferentiated ocular pain and common pitfalls and tricks to the trade. This would be suitable for a novice or anyone wanting to do a refresher.

Cultural competency

Time: 1330 - 1500

Cost: \$50

This is an introductory course in cultural safety and cultural competency. It will provide the participants with a deeper understanding of the concepts and provide some practical advice about how you can make some simple changes in your own workplace to improve awareness and make it culturally safe. The same principles could be used to improve the relationships with any cultural group in your area, making the skills you learn here applicable to any part of Australia or New Zealand.

The facilitators for this session, A/Prof Kerry Taylor and Ms Colleen Hayes from the Poche Centre for Indigenous Health NT, welcome a broad range of views and encourage participants to ask any questions, so come along with an open mind and look at your practice from a different perspective.

Fellowship exam

Time: 1330 - 1500

Cost: \$0

The new Fellowship exam is up and running. Come and get firsthand feedback about the new format. Speak to senior examiners and gain some insight into the common pitfalls and how to maximise your chance of success.

Arrernte traditional healing - bush medicine and healing practice

Time: 1330 - 1500

Cost: \$150

Traditional healing is a sacred form of healing practiced by Arrernte people for over 50,000 years. We believe the power of healing that comes from the land.

WORKSHOPS

There are a range of practices that make up healing for Arrernte people:

- Kwerte-ileme - Smoking ceremonies
- Awelye - Healing songs
- Angangkere - Traditional healers
- Traditional bush medicines

The power of all these forms of healing comes from the land, from the country itself. Traditional healing knowledge and practice has been passed down for generations and is still going on today, although many non-Indigenous health professionals are not aware of it.

Many Arrernte families prefer to go and see a traditional healer before they see a western doctor or in combination with Western treatment. It is important for health professionals to be aware of traditional healing and respectful of their patients' right to access this form of healing.

This presentation/workshop by senior Arrernte healers will shed light on the nature of traditional healing as it is practiced by Arrernte people in Central Australia in 2015. The ladies will demonstrate and get participants involved in making bush medicine. They will discuss the elements of traditional healing work through their Healing Painting and story blocks. As well as explore the role of the Akeyulerre Healing Centre in Alice Springs in supporting this work.

We will show that traditional healing and western medicine can operate side-by-side to support the health of Aboriginal people.

Juggling - Insights into learning, teaching and skill acquisition

Time: 1330 - 1500

Cost: \$0

This 90 minute workshop teaches participants how to juggle the basic 3-ball pattern. Juggling is a great way to exercise the mind and body by strengthening the pathways between the creative and analytical parts of your brain. During the process of learning a new skill, we will explore educational topics related to clinical practice including: learning styles, feedback and how to teach a procedure.

This workshop is best suited to individuals with little or no juggling ability. (Equipment provided)

About me: Dr. Shane Tan FACEM is a staff specialist at Alice Springs Hospital and has been a juggler for over 15 years. He has attended several international juggling conventions and has taught beginner to advanced workshops on various juggling skills. He maintains a special interest in clinical education and has been a simulation fellow at Sydney Clinical Skills and Simulation Centre as well as completing a Grad Cert of Clinical Education.

TUESDAY 28 JULY

The art of performance in medicine

Time: 1330 - 1500

Cost: \$0

This interactive session will look at the art of performance in medicine, and life in general. How you act impacts on how people perceive you. This is not just important for your patients, but is also a useful skill for teaching, job interviews and exams, particularly for OSCE style questions. This will provide you with some useful hints and skills to improve your performance. This workshop will be facilitated by Dr Victoria Brazil.

ACEM Continuing Professional Development (CPD)

By participating in the ACEM Winter Symposium, you are contributing towards your ACEM CPD requirements. Group Learning activities can enhance practice in Emergency Medicine. Fellows and Non-Fellow participants can add this activity to their CPD Online Record. Use the Quick Find field within Activity Editor to search for ACEM Winter Symposium, or locate it under Group Learning > Meetings, conferences etc – ACEM > ACEM – Winter Symposium.

The ACEM Winter Symposium is endorsed by the International Federation of Emergency Medicine (IFEM) and is also an Australian College of Rural and Remote Medicine (ACRRM) accredited activity.

For more information, please visit the ACEM Winter Symposium website: www.acemws.com



PRE CONFERENCE TOUR

Uluru overnight stay

Cost: \$490

Day One - Saturday 25 July:

- Arrive into Ayers Rock Airport at 1340
- Lunch provided & afternoon visit to the Cultural Centre
- Camel ride at sunset to Sounds of Silence dinner*
- Overnight accommodation at local campsite (pop up tents and swags)

*Meander for one hour through red sand dunes on your friendly camel with Uluru and Kata Tjuta as your backdrop, while your experienced cameleer describes the unique flora and fauna of the landscape that surrounds you. As your peaceful ride comes to a close, you will be greeted and offered sparkling wine as you arrive at the sand dune viewing platform where your Sounds of Silence dining experience begins.

Day Two - Sunday 26 July:

- Awake early with continental breakfast provided at camp site
- Drive to Uluru to watch sunrise
- Partake in short walks at Uluru OR visit Kata Tjuta for the Walpa Gorge Walk
- 0930 back at airport to depart for Alice Springs at 1030

Tour inclusions:

Experienced and accredited tour guide, air-conditioned minibus, park entry fees, camels at sunset and Sounds of Silence dinner, camping fees, camping equipment, breakfast on 26th July and transfers to and from Ayers Rock Airport.

Tour exclusions:

Flights – you must ensure you book your own flights into Ayers Rock Airport to arrive at 1340 on Saturday 25th July and depart Ayers Rock Airport to Alice Springs Airport at 1030 on Sunday 26th July.

Please note: minimum and maximum numbers apply to this tour. If minimum numbers are not achieved, the tour may still run but the rate adjusted accordingly.



OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES

Minimum and maximum numbers apply for these optional activities and positions will be allocated upon receipt of registration and payment. If minimum numbers are not reached, the organisers reserve the right to amend or cancel an activity.

	Sunday 26 July	Monday 27 July	Tuesday 28 July	Wednesday 29 July
From Sunrise for 4 hours				Hot Air Ballooning
1300 - 1700	Standley Chasm tour			
1330 - 1630	Mountain Bike Riding	Mountain Bike Riding	Mountain Bike Riding	
1330 - 1730	West MacDonnell Ranges Bus Trip	West MacDonnell Ranges Bus Trip		
1400 - 1600	Camel Safari		Camel Safari	
1400 - 1630	Desert Park	Desert Park	Desert Park	
1500 - late		Simpsons Gap and Mbantua Starlight Bush Dinner		

Camel Safari: Pyndan Camel Tracks

www.cameltracks.com

Cost: \$60 for adults \$30 for children

Inclusions: one hour camel ride including transfers from Alice Springs Convention Centre

See Australian animals like kangaroos and other native wildlife and experience the 'red centre'. The camels are well trained, gentle and each has their own personality. We are situated in the beautiful White Gums Valley, among the MacDonnell Ranges, explored during our camel rides.

Guests are to wear comfortable clothing that protects you from sunburn, sunscreen, a hat and a water bottle.

Desert Park

www.alicespringsdesertpark.com.au

Cost: \$42 for adults and \$22.50 for children

Inclusions: entry to Desert Park, guided tour and transfers from Alice Springs Convention Centre

Immerse yourself in the beauty and mystery of Australia's deserts. Wander through the ancient landscape. Experience the animals of the night. Discover the diversity of desert plants. Be inspired by ancient living cultures with local Aboriginal guides. Marvel at the energy and spirit of free flying birds.

Mountain Bike Riding: Outback Cycling

www.outbackcycling.com

Cost: \$130 for adults

Inclusions: 2 hour guided Mountain Bike tour, bike, helmet, and transfers from Alice Springs Convention Centre

On tour with our experienced local rider, you will be treated to some amazing single trails that takes you through the scrub catching some awesome views as you go. You'll venture deeper into the bush and find the best trails only known to the locals. Minimal experience, or heaps of experience, it doesn't matter. All riders are advised to wear comfortable clothing (loose trousers are not advised) and runners/walking shoes. Please bring your own water bottle, sunscreen and sunglasses.

Hot Air Ballooning: Outback Ballooning

www.outbackballooning.com.au

Cost: 60 minute Balloon Flight \$313 per person

Inclusions: Transfers from your hotel, sparkling wine and refreshments and insurance

Outback Ballooning is Australia's only balloon company specialising in remote Outback operations. In Alice Springs they operate every day, weather permitting. The reliable desert weather means they have one of the lowest cancellation rates in the world. The tour duration is generally 4 hours and pick up time is about an hour before sunrise but this gets confirmed closer to the day.

West MacDonnell Ranges Bus Trip

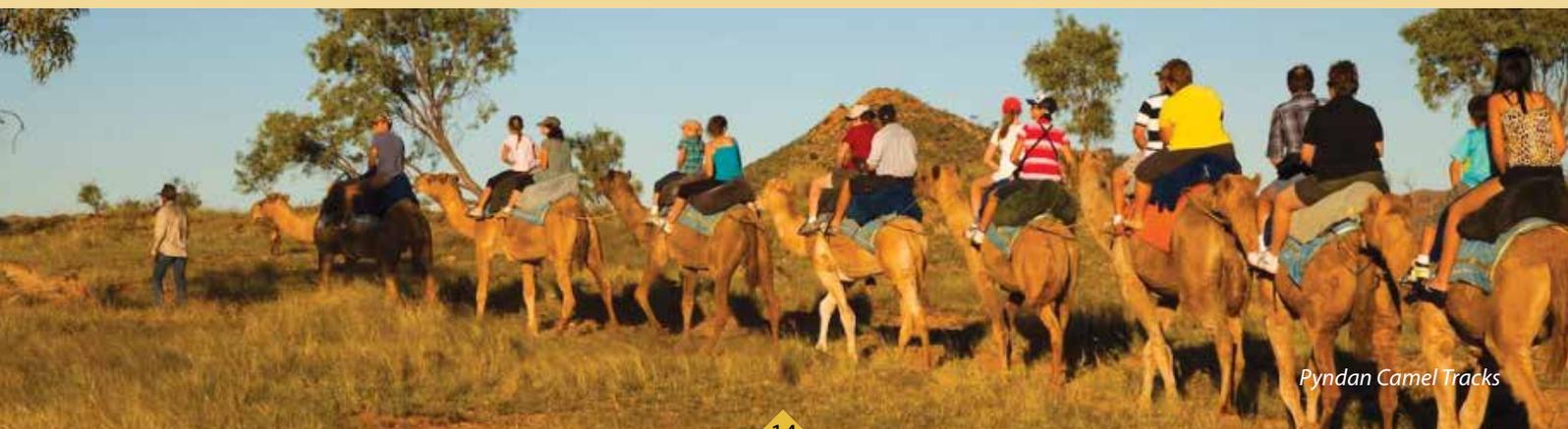
www.tailormadetours.com.au

Cost: \$140 for adults

Inclusions: Private charter to pick up/drop off from Convention Centre

The highlights of the tour include;

- ANZAC Hill
- Rev. John Flynn's Grave
- Simpsons Gap
- Standley Chasm
- Billy Tea (boiled on an open campfire) and served in a pannikin



Pyndan Camel Tracks

OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES

Standley Chasm Tour

www.rttoursaustralia.com.au

Cost: \$110 for adults

Inclusions: Private charter to pick up/drop off from the Convention Centre, afternoon tea

RT Tours Australia invites you to experience an Aboriginal perspective of the beautiful and spiritual landscape. Standley Chasm (Angkerle) is Aboriginal Titled Land and is part of the Iwupataka Land Trust and is bordered by the West MacDonnell National Park. Leaving from Alice Springs, travel along the majestic MacDonnell ranges to Standley Chasm. Surging flood waters over thousands of years have cut its way through the tough quartzite, responsible for what we know in modern history as Standley Chasm. The chasm is well known for its ever-changing colours. As the sun moves across the sky, visitors are treated to a magnificent display of colours and forms. A reliable trickle of water (Rare Natural Spring) has ensured the survival of its original people with a food source, water source for thousands of years. Standley Chasm water source is still a commodity today. There are many species of flora and fauna that are unique to this area, a must see when in Central Australia.

Afternoon tea to include tea, coffee, soft drink, homemade Quandong, wattleseed and apricot cake plus bush treats (emu sausage, native duka mix, myrtle oil with homebaked bread, bush tomatoes, fruit).

Simpsons Gap & Mbantua Starlight and Bush Dinner

Monday 27 July

Time: 1500 - late

Cost: \$120pp

Visit Simpsons Gap and then watch Master Bush Chef Bob create his Mbantua Dinner on an open fire under the stars at a Traditional Aboriginal Campground. This unique dining experience includes a 3-course meal (as outlined below) and beverages (BYO alcohol).

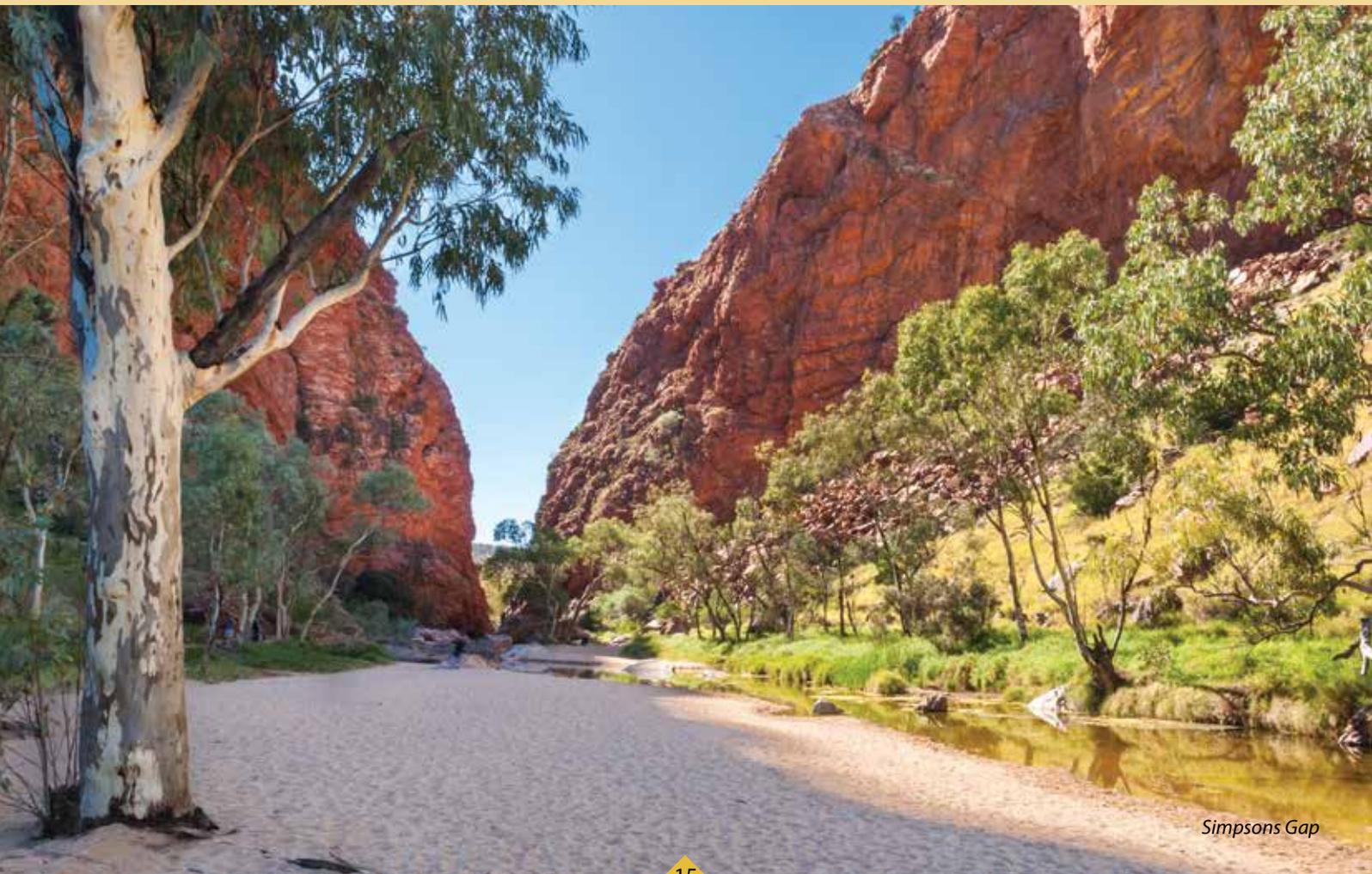
Entrée - Traditional homemade Vegetable soup with Tasmanian thyme. Smoke flavoured homebaked bread

Bush food treats - Homemade emu sausage with mustard and sundried tomato, grilled kangaroo fillet, wattleseed duka with olive oil myrtle mix, bush tomato, roasted macadamia nuts with wattle seed & bush tomato seasoning.

Main - Outback beef hotpot, sweet potato fritter with saltbush, steamed vegetables with soy & lemon myrtle. Spicy Vegetable Dish

Desert - Steamed pudding, quandong, apricot, wattleseed and white chocolate topped with coconut and caramel sauce

Given the remote location of the 'bush restaurant', toilets are of long drop. Delegates should bring along a hat, sunscreen, appropriate seasonal clothing (warm jacket, beanie, scarf etc.), closed-in walking shoes and camera.



Simpsons Gap

CALL FOR PAPERS

The Organising Committee is pleased to invite submissions of abstracts to be presented at the 2015 ACEM Winter Symposium. Presentations may either be submitted as an oral presentation or as a poster.

All abstracts must be submitted online. Please log onto the conference website www.acemws.com and read the submission guidelines **before** submitting your abstract/s.

DEADLINE FOR PAPERS: THURSDAY 30 APRIL 2015

KEY DATES:

- **Monday, 25 May 2015:** Authors notified of results (i.e. oral or poster) and must register and pay to attend the conference (presenting authors will be offered the early bird rate)
- **Sunday, 7 Jun 2015:** Presenting author registration deadline
- **Monday, 14 Jun 2015:** Presenting authors notified of session information

Please note the following instructions when submitting abstracts:

- Abstract content is measured in character count inclusive of all symbols, characters, punctuation etc.
- Abstract titles must have a minimum of 10 characters and a maximum of 500 characters
- Abstract content must have a minimum of 1000 characters and a maximum of 2700 characters (approximately 250 words)
- Submitters must adhere to the following mandatory abstract components:
 - Background
 - Objectives
 - Method
 - Results
 - Conclusion
- Submitters are permitted to include tables in their abstract content. A maximum of 2 tables allowed per component with an individual maximum of 10 columns and 10 rows per table
- Submitters are permitted a maximum of 6 presenting authors and are asked to include a presenter biography with a maximum of 500 characters each

Please note the following instructions when formatting abstracts:

- Title: in initial capital/lower case, not all capitals
- Authors: surname-last format and in initial capital/lower case, not all capitals. Institution affiliations should be indicated with subscript numbers following the author name
- Affiliation: institution, city and country
- Abstract text: limit of 250 words
- References: optional
- First author and subsequent authors, affiliations: identification of the presenter, whether a FACEM, trainee or other
- Your abstract must be submitted in the correct format and by the deadline otherwise it will be automatically rejected

Trainee Research Requirement

Trainees who choose to complete the Trainee Research Requirement by presenting a paper, either orally or by way of poster, are required to submit two separate applications:

1. Submit an abstract to the conference via the conference abstract submission process (outlined above); and
2. An application to the College on the appropriate form found on the College website (www.acem.org.au)

Note: the cut-off date for the conference abstract may be different from the College cut-off date

REGISTRATION

Each person attending the Conference needs to complete his or her own registration, with payment. You register for the conference via the conference website www.acemws.com

An email confirmation will then be forwarded. Please ensure you read all information in this brochure carefully before answering the questions on the registration form.

REGISTRATION FEES

All prices are in Australian dollars and inclusive of GST

	Early bird On or Before 12 April 2015	Standard On or Before 14 June 2015	Late Register after 14 June 2015
Fulltime Fellow	\$1350	\$1450	\$1550
Fulltime Trainee/Other	\$950	\$1020	\$1150
Fulltime Student/Nurse/Paramedic	\$330	\$380	\$430
Day Fellow	\$750	\$850	\$950
Day Trainee/Other	\$450	\$500	\$550
Day Student/Nurse/Paramedic	\$250	\$300	\$350

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REGISTER ONLINE AT www.acemws.com

INCLUSIONS FOR FULLTIME FELLOWS AND TRAINEE/OTHER

- Attendance at sessions
- All official documentation
- Morning & afternoon teas & lunches as scheduled in program
- Conference dinner
- Welcome reception
- Entrance to exhibition

INCLUSIONS FOR STUDENTS/ NURSES/ PARAMEDICS

- Attendance at sessions
- All official documentation
- Morning & afternoon teas & lunches as scheduled in program
- Welcome reception
- Entrance to exhibition

INCLUSIONS FOR DAY DELEGATES

All entitlements for day of attendance only

- Attendance at sessions
- All official documentation
- Morning & afternoon tea & lunch as scheduled in program
- Entrance to exhibition

GST

ABN: 97 116 524 182

You will be sent a tax invoice once your registration has been received. Please refer to the accommodation section for

tax invoices relating to accommodation bookings.

PAYMENT OF FEES

All prices are quoted in Australian dollars. Payment of fees must accompany all registrations and may be made by cheque, direct deposit (remittance advice to be emailed to acemws@willorganise.com.au) or credit card (Master Card or Visa only). Cheques should be made payable to *ACEM Winter Symposium* and drawn on an Australian bank.

CANCELLATIONS AND REFUNDS (REGISTRATION)

Cancellations must be notified in writing to the Secretariat.

- Cancellations received;
- Before 25th May 2015 will be refunded in full, less 10% of the fee to cover administration costs
- Between the 25th May – 25th June 2015 will be refunded in full, less 25% of the fee to cover administration costs
- After the 25th June 2015 no refunds will be made

INSURANCE

The conference organising committee strongly recommends that you take out insurance for your travel and attendance at the conference. The conference cannot accept any responsibility for participants failing to arrange their own insurance.

EXHIBITION AND SPONSORSHIP

A trade display will be held during the conference. A list of participating companies will be provided at the conference. Companies are also invited to take up conference sponsorship. For more information on exhibition and sponsorship opportunities contact the Secretariat on telephone +61 2 4973 6573, fax +61 2 4973 6609 or email acemws@willorganise.com.au

WHAT TO WEAR

Sessions – Neat casual

Welcome Reception & Conference dinner* – Smart Casual

*Both functions will be held outdoors – we don't require you to dress up but to dress warm! Temperatures in Alice in July can drop to 0 degrees Celsius overnight so we encourage you to wear warm jackets, scarves, beanies, maybe even thermals for the conference dinner that will go later into the evening.

ACCOMMODATION

CONFERENCE VENUE ACCOMMODATION

LASSETERS HOTEL CASINO

Lasseters adjoins the Alice Springs Convention Centre and features a four and a half star hotel with 205 spacious rooms and suites located at the foot of the majestic MacDonnell Ranges.

Lasseters has undergone a massive \$35 million re-development which includes 66 new guest rooms, new hotel entrance and reception area, day spa and commercial gym facilities, development of a new 180 seat dining area and much much more.

	Room type	Room only rate	Bedding	Maximum guests	Facilities
	Standard	\$130*	1 x Queen OR Queen + Single	3 adults or 2 adults and 1 child	(27m sq) Shower over bath, tea & coffee making facilities, in-room safe, iron, ironing board & hairdryer provided.
	Deluxe	\$150*	2 x Queen	3 adults or 2 adults and 2 children U14 in existing bedding	(39m sq) Separate shower and bath, tea & coffee making facilities, in-room safe, iron, ironing board & hairdryer provided.
	Premium	\$180*	1 x King OR 2 x Queen	3 adults or 2 adults and 1 child	(35m sq) Large walk in shower, aboriginal artwork, media hub, iPod dock, tea & coffee making facilities, in-room safe, iron, ironing board & hairdryer provided.

* Please note, this rate is inclusive of GST and the hotel will be responsible for issuing a tax invoice for accommodation payments upon departure from the hotel.

ALTERNATIVE ACCOMMODATION

ALICE IN THE TERRITORY

Alice in the Territory is located adjacent to the Alice Springs Convention Centre, less than a 5min walk away.

	Room type	Room only rate	Bedding	Maximum guests	Facilities
	Queen	\$90*	1 x Queen	2 adults	Beautifully appointed room with queen size bed. Each room has an ensuite with bath/shower, reverse cycle remote control air conditioning, TV, tea and coffee making facilities, iron and ironing board, hairdryer, direct dial phone and wireless broadband internet connection.

* Please note, this rate is inclusive of GST and the hotel will be responsible for issuing a tax invoice for accommodation payments upon departure from the hotel.





ACCOMMODATION INFORMATION

Deposit

Hotel accommodation bookings must be accompanied by a first night's deposit, or credit card guarantee in order to secure your reservation. Your deposit (or credit card number) will be passed on to the hotel and you must settle the balance of your account on check out. The hotel holds your credit card as a guarantee only and by providing the card number, you are also providing authorisation for the hotel to charge this card if you fail to arrive at the hotel on the date indicated. Your credit card will not be charged until you check out (or fail to arrive), and approve the account.

How to Book

Please complete the accommodation section of the registration form. The Secretariat will then book your room and send confirmation of reservation. Any change to a reservation must be notified to the Secretariat and not directly to the hotel.

Check in and check out

Hotel check in time is 1400 hours. If you are to arrive before this time it is probable that you will not be able to gain access to your room. To guarantee a room to be available for an early arrival, you will need pre-register and pay for your room for the night before. If required please indicate on your registration form. Hotel check out time is 1000 hours. Many hotels do offer late check outs when asked. If you require a late checkout please indicate on your registration form. Please note however this is subject to availability of the Hotel. Please indicate on your registration form or notify the Secretariat in writing if you will arrive at your hotel after 1800 hours. Failure to do so may result in your room being released.

Cancellations

Less than 8 days prior to arrival, 100% cancellation penalty. Between 30-8 days prior to arrival, 1 nights cancellation penalty.



SOCIAL FUNCTIONS



WELCOME RECEPTION

Sunday 26 July 2015

- Time:** 1800 - 1930
Venue: Alice Springs Convention Centre (Conference Venue)
Dress: Smart casual*
Tickets: Included for all Fulltime registration categories
Additional tickets: \$70 pp

Welcome to Alice Springs! Join us to catch up with friends and colleagues whilst enjoying the a relaxing drink or two and canapés.

CONFERENCE DINNER

Tuesday 28 July 2015

- Time:** 1830 - 2300
Venue: Telegraph Station
Dress: Smart casual*
Tickets: Included for Fulltime Fellows & Trainee/Other registration categories
Additional Tickets: \$155 pp

Take a step back in time and enjoy the serenity of the Alice Springs Historical Telegraph Station. Nestled on the banks of the picturesque Todd River this Telegraph Station, established in 1872 to relay messages between Darwin and Adelaide operated for 60 years, and then served as a school for Aboriginal children, known as The Bungalow.

Tonight is an opportunity to enjoy all that Alice Springs has to offer including a sumptuous meal, local entertainment and an opportunity to network with colleagues, old and new. Temperatures will drop in the evening so be sure to bring gloves, scarfs, beanies and thick socks!

It is a night not to be missed!

DRESS CODE

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SOME ALICE SPRINGS INFORMATION

Surrounded by a red sandy desert which stretches for hundreds of kilometres in all directions, Alice Springs is one of Australia’s most famous outback towns. It is the gateway to the iconic natural features of Uluru (Ayers Rock) and Kata Tjuta National Park.

Here, stories of Australia’s history and heritage are told through a colourful cast of characters and events that include the Dreamtime Jukurpa, tens of thousands of years of habitation, the pastoral industry, camels, and gold-diggers.

The Arrernte people tell how giant caterpillars became the MacDonnell Ranges which pass through the township, and which were at one time probably as high as the Canadian Rockies. The Royal Geographic Society of Australia has calculated the geographical and gravitational centre of the continent at the Lambert Centre, approximately 200 kilometres south of town.

Today, the town’s upmarket hotels, restaurants, and 28,000 inhabitants, continue to uphold its vibrant history. It’s also an excellent place to pick up a unique piece of Aboriginal art.

From here, you can join one of Australia’s most challenging walks, the Larapinta Trail; and it is the ideal place to connect with Australia’s rich Aboriginal traditions and awe-inspiring landscapes.

Australia’s classic outback drive, the Red Centre Way, from Alice Springs to Kings Canyon, is one of the best ways to experience the natural wonders of this vast ancient red landscape.

Travelling to Alice Springs

Alice Springs is located almost precisely in the geographical centre of Australia making it easily accessible from everywhere in Australia, with 3 hours flight times from all mainland capital cities. The following table shows the flights schedule for Alice Springs. For further information please visit www.alicespringsairport.com.au

City	Airline	Frequency
Adelaide	Qantas	Daily
Ayers Rock (Uluru)	Qantas/ Jetstar	Daily
Brisbane (via another capital city)	Qantas	Daily
Brisbane (direct)	Qantas	Saturday and Sunday only
Cairns	Qantas	Daily
Darwin	Qantas	Twice a day
Melbourne	Qantas	Daily
Perth	Qantas	Daily
Sydney	Qantas	Daily

Airport transfers

Airport transfers (shuttle) are available through Alice Wanderer Airport Transfers. Their service meets every flight arriving in to Alice Springs and they will transfer you directly to your accommodation. Return transfers can be pre-booked online at www.alicewanderer.com.au or by calling the office on 1800 722 111.

Transfers are \$15 per person each way or \$27 per person return.

Taxis will cost approximately \$40-\$45 each way.

Climate

The Alice in July is a beautiful time to visit with brilliant sunshine but frosty temperatures, so if you have long johns, gloves, scarfs, beanies and thick socks please bring them along as it could be 0 degrees in the morning to 24 degrees around lunchtime.

Things to Do

There are a numerous things to do in and around Alice Springs – too many to list here.

To gather some ideas of things to do, we suggest you look at the conference website page ‘Things to do in the region’ and also visit any of the below websites that offer pages of information such as:

www.travelnt.com/en/alice-springs-and-surrounds/places-to-go/alice-springs

www.tourism.thealice.com.au/

www.lonelyplanet.com/australia/northern-territory/alice-springs

www.discovercentralaustralia.com/



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