

Australasian Paediatric Endocrine Group (APEG) Annual Scientific Meeting 2007

Dates: 15 – 18 October 2007
Venue: Cable Beach Club Resort
City: Broome, WA, Australia
Delegates: 156



After the success of the 2004 APEG Conference in New Zealand, **Will Organise** has continued to work with APEG, both as their conference organiser, and secretariat.

2007 was a special year for APEG, being their 25th Anniversary, so something extraordinary was needed to help celebrate this milestone.

Broome was chosen as the destination for the Conference. The tradition of APEG was to focus on meetings in capital cities, with science and research being the main aim of the program. However, as the association has expanded, a greater need for networking was being asked for from the membership.

The traditional 2.5 day program was extended to 4, to allow for a wider range of experiences after travelling so far to Broome, whilst still maintaining a strong scientific program.

Days were designed to allow delegates a chance to meet, and also experience the best Broome had to offer, with such social activities as camel riding on the beach, an early morning breakfast and hovercraft ride, and a conference dinner in Broome's famous open air cinema, Sun Pictures, with a movie to follow, being included. Other experiences incorporated into the program were the chance to experience the world famous Broome Pearls, enjoying an astronomy talk whilst relaxing on picnic rugs, followed by a hamper dinner under the stars. Kayaking, indigenous and historic tours were also included in the program.

There were a total of 11 companies that sponsored the conference, and due to limited space there was no trade exhibition. The feedback on this change of set up from the sponsoring companies was extremely positive, saying it allowed a more personal and relaxed approach to networking with the delegates.

Feedback:

- Excellent, very entertaining, felt like a tourist.
- Social functions are always great and were again here.
- All fantastic and make for excellent networking
- Congratulations on a fabulous job - it was a great meeting
- Very well administered - well done
- Great location and venue. Really enjoyed the camel ride. Food good, open air movie a winner!
- Unforgettable!

