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THE KOROTKOFF SOUND

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EDITOR'S NOTE

Greetings everyone.

I'm sure all of us are well and truly into the swing of things since the last issue. Unbelievably, we are half way through the year and have arrived at Winter. I find it difficult to comprehend at times where the time actually goes, and whether it is work that consumes the time or the kids!!

None the less, I hope we all take the time to pause to read this next informative issue of the Korotkoff Sound...

CONFERENCE UPDATE

2005

Accounts from 2005 conference are being finalised. Merchant banking will be cancelled soon.

2006

Last year's conference seems a lifetime ago now, and plans for this year's conference are under way.

HBPRCA meeting confirmed to be held in Brisbane 6th – 8th December 2006 at the Carlton Crest Hotel (central Brisbane). The guest speaker for this year's RD Wright Lecture is Professor Friedrich Luft from the Franz Volhard Clinic for

Cardiovascular Diseases, Berlin, Germany.

The theme for ANCHA 2006 conference is "Cardiovascular Disease and Hypertension Diagnostic Imaging". The workshop topic is "Respiratory and Hypertension".

State Representatives

Dawn Gunn (confirmed) has accepted her position as SA representative. Thanks Dawn.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The winter chills have begun to set in and usually place added stress on hospital beds and staff resources. I hope you are taking care of yourselves as you are the most important resource, both at work and for family.

I recently had a discussion with Jennifer Seabrook from Meetingsfirst about ANCHA and our conferences. It is very encouraging to be told how supportive HBPRCA are with regard to ANCHA.

Plans are well underway for the 2006 conference. ANCHA conference will be held in at the same time as the HBPRCA. As yet the date has yet to be set as the

committee are still waiting on the program for the RD Wright lecture. We will send an email as soon as this has been confirmed.

Following the theme of the conference “Cardiovascular Disease and Hypertension Diagnostic Imaging” preliminary discussions with speakers from the Princess Alexandra Hospital are going well.

Regards
Diane

MEMBERSHIP

Membership fees to be paid by cheque or postal/money order to Treasurer Jane Gillespie.

REMEMBER...membership is January to December. Pay for two (2) years and receive the discount.

EXCITING NEWS / UNIT

UPDATES

The following updates come from Dawn Gunn (SA rep):

- University of SA has a Graduate Certificate and Graduate Diploma in Nursing (Cardiovascular). Information and enquiries to Ms Grace Davey, Graduate Program Director. Tel: (08) 8302 2707 or Email: grace.davey@unisa.edu.au
- Successful pilot program for hospital and community nurses to improve cardiac services. Information is on the SA Division of the Heart Foundation.

- Dawn was part of a steering committee to develop a training manual for nurses working in general practice focussing on the prevalence and impact of cardiovascular disease (CVD) in Australia.
- Speaking at a meeting with the Australian Divisions of General Practice re: Nurse led CVD clinics.
- Dawn has been invited to join a research project conducted by Adelaide University re: secondary prevention in general practice. The project is in the final stages of ethics approval.
- Dawn’s (and her husband’s) motto this year is to “age disgracefully”. All children back in Australia after coming and going for 4 years.

Well done SA!! Any information about the above please contact Dawn Gunn, Programs Co-ordinator, (08) 8531 1303, email: dawng@mmdgp.org.au.



SMART READ...

This month's articles are

1. "Of Funnel Arms, Popeye, and Other-Sized Challenges" by Raymond R. Townsend. The Journal of Clinical Hypertension. 2005; 7(12):755-756.
2. "Comparison of Sequential versus Simultaneous Methods of Adrenal Venous Sampling" by Caitlin E. Carr, Constantin Cope, et al. Journal of Interventional Radiology. 2204: 15:1245-1250.

Please feel free to tell us of any great articles, or books you come across.

PHOTOS

Please [click here](#) to view the 2005 conference dinner photos.

REMINDER



Visit the website on www.ancha.org.au or the High Blood Pressure Research Council website on www.hbprca.org.au.

Don't forget (or be shy)...any news/updates you have can be emailed to me at Christine_Ossenberg@health.qld.gov.au, we would love to share the joy.

cheers
Christine