



Clinical School Newsletter

October Issue

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St George & Sutherland Clinical School

Update from the Clinical Associate Dean

Welcome to the St George and Sutherland Clinical School newsletter for October 2014. The academic year is rapidly drawing to a close. The easiest marker for that is student exams. Thanks very much to all of you who helped out as examiners so far and thank you to examiners who are helping in the near future. We've had a very entertaining conjoint celebratory dinner, which I think was a great success, and which recognised some of our most popular teachers and successful researchers at our Clinical School. We continue negotiations on the consolidation of research space in the research and education building. We have embarked on a new series of combined clinical and research presentations at Medical Grand Rounds, which I hope as many people as possible will attend and digest. We are engaged in active discussion with excellent potential applicants for the Professor of Medicine position in the School – after some false starts, I hope there will be good news on that front before too much longer!

As I did at the dinner, I'd like to formally welcome Joanna Tjoatmodjo to the Clinical School, as our new leader in the Clinical Teaching Unit at St George. Joanna comes with a wealth of experience in our Medicine program, having previously worked at the main UNSW campus with the undergraduate program. For those of you yet to meet Joanna, can I suggest dropping in to the Clinical Teaching Unit, in the demountable building behind James Laws House. She won't necessarily ask you to take an emergency tutorial!

Speaking of Clinical Teaching Units, the new Sutherland CTU will be opened officially on October 28th. This is the culmination of a long period of gestation with a less-than-straightforward delivery, but the facility will be a great boon for clinical teaching at Sutherland. Congratulations to Peter Gonski and Justin Joynes, who have persevered through all of this and now have a great new workplace, and to Maxi Ghelani, who worked tirelessly to get us over all the hurdles.

I hope you enjoy the newsletter and find it informative. May the year's end bring you calm and respite, before we get it all wound up again for 2015.

Michael Grimm

Update on Teaching, Clinical Teaching Unit

Both St George and Sutherland Clinical Teaching Units have just completed the Year 6 Final year examination process at the end of September. This has been a very important process for both Teaching Units at St George and Sutherland hospital. A very big thank you to all staff who participated and contributed to the success of the exam process. We could not do this without your commitment and dedication to the teaching at the St George and Sutherland Clinical School.

We will again be asking for your support for the Phase 2 (Years 3 & 4) ICE Clinical examinations that will be held on Tuesday 25th and Wednesday 26th November at both St George and Sutherland Teaching Units, and for the Phase 1 (Year 2) OSCE examinations from Tuesday 2nd to Thursday 4th December at the St George Teaching Unit. Thank you to those who have responded to the email sent out from the Teaching Unit Staff about your availability for these upcoming exams. Joanna and Justin will follow up with those who have not yet responded.

Currently Phase 2 teaching is in full swing with 4 terms running this session. This is only possible with your continued support and commitment. The Year 6 students will commence their 6 week PRINT (Preparation for Internship) term in mid-October which will complete their final assessment before they go on to graduate later this year. Next year we will have a new set of interns.

Overall 2014 has been a very productive and successful year, with the commissioning of the new Clinical Teaching Facility at the Sutherland Clinical Teaching Unit making accommodation for teaching and examining so much easier and with the new administrative team at St George with Joanna and Buddhi.

We look forward to 2015 doing it all again. If you have any feedback about how we can improve our services feel free to contact Joanna Tjoatmodjo on djuniah@unsw.edu.au or x32709 at St George or Justin Joynes on j.joynes@unsw.edu.au or x37946 at Sutherland.

Joanna and Justin, Student Administrative Officers

Postgraduate Update

Congratulations go to two of our postgraduate students who won awards in the St George & Sutherland Research Awards. Supriya Venugopal won the 2013 best Clinical publication, and Lei (Nancy) Chang won the 2013 best Basic Science publication award.

Congratulations also go to Uphar Chamoli, Greta Lee and Annie Luo who have all been selected to present oral presentations at the St George & Sutherland Medical Research Symposium and will be competing for the Oral Prize. Good luck to you all.

Ashish Diwan, Postgraduate Co-ordinator

2014 Clinical School Annual Dinner



The Clinical School annual celebratory dinner held on Thursday 18th September at the Novotel Brighton Beach was a great success attended by the Senior Associate Dean, Professor Terry Campbell, Faculty Executives and the Chair of the SESLHD Board, Michael Still along with our many conjoints and affiliated teaching

staff. The evening was a great opportunity to meet and greet many of the staff who contribute to the research and teaching that make the Clinical School.

Special thanks to our speakers the Associate Dean (Research), Professor Peter Gunning who spoke on research in the clinical environment and our own Senior Staff Specialist, A/Professor Peter Gonski presenting Sutherland which included "Sydney may have the Opera House, UNSW the Lowy but Sutherland has the new Teaching Facility".



Professor Peter Gunning



A/Professor Peter Gonski

Student Administrative Officer, Joanna Tjoatmodjo from the St George Clinical Teaching Unit who attended the dinner for the first time said "I thoroughly enjoyed the evening, speaking to many new faces and in particular our phase 1 practitioners and building a network. It was a great opportunity to meet people within the School".

Highlights of the event included presentation of the Clinical School's Research and Teaching Excellence Awards. Congratulations to all the award recipients.



Supriya Venugopal
For Best Clinical Publication 2013



Lei Chang
For Best Science Publication 2013



Parthasarathy Shanmugasundaram, 2014 Best Consultant Teacher of the Year, Sutherland Hospital.

Daniel Robaei and Ben Ng were joint winners for the 2014 Best Registrar/JMO Teacher of the Year, Sutherland Hospital. Both recipients were unable to attend the presentation.



Gokulan
Pavendranathan, 2014
Best Consultant
Teacher of the Year,
St George Hospital.



David Milder (*pictured left*), and Shivam Agrawal
joint winners for the 2014 Best Registrar/JMO
Teacher of the Year, St George Hospital. Recipient
Shivam Agrawal is presently overseas.

The Clinical School greatly appreciates the support of the Faculty of Medicine and in particular from all its doctors, practitioners and other support staff across both St George and Sutherland hospitals.

The annual dinner marks a positive and important event and we were excited to see so many new comers to the dinner. We hope you enjoyed the evening as much as we did and we hope you see you at next year's event. Thank you to all our guests.

Maxi Ghelani, School Manager

New Conjoint Appointments

Associate Professor - Richard Morris

Senior Lecturer – Jane Prosser, Anthony Lewis

Lecturer – Linda Sheahan , Franziska Pettit

Associate Lecturer – Rajkumar Cheluvappa, Ji Eun Hwang, Ji Qi Yang, Ryan McConnell, Farhad Azimi, Jill O'Donnell, David Milder, Ruty Tatati, Amit Chakraborty, Michelle Or, Edward Freitas, Nikola Mitrev, John Khoo, James Doherty, Kathy Fu, Lisa Maree Hackett.

St George & Sutherland Medical Research Foundation

Upcoming events:

The St. George Bank beachside Dash

Sunday 12th October 2014

Run 10, 5 or 2km

Enjoy our new family zone with BBQ, fairy floss, jumping castle, free show bags and other activities

More information or to register: icareresearch.com.au

Annual Silver Awards Dinner 2014

Joint dinner for Medical Staff Council and Foundation

Thursday 30th October 2014

Grand Roxy, Brighton Beach

More information or to register: silverdinner@ssmf.com.au

Virginia Venckus, Executive Director

Congratulations to Neeranjali & Swaranjali Jain who won the Australian Federation of Graduate Women – Jamieson Award 2014



The sisters, Neeranjali & Swaranjali Jain, honours students of UNSW with Swaranjali currently at the St George & Sutherland Clinical School and Neeranjali at St Vincents Clinical School were jointly awarded this year's Jamieson Award - a special exception by the judges due to their equally impressive applications. The Australian Federation of Graduate Women is a national non-profit organization promoting and supporting women and girls' education.

This is the first time the prize has gone to members of the same family, and the first time it has been jointly bestowed since being restricted to single recipients in 2010. The judges ruled that the Jains' achievements were "so significant and close — shared to a certain extent — that they were both deserving of the prize".

Health & Safety

The next H&S meeting will be held Thursday 23rd October, if you have any hazards or incidents you would like to report please speak to your H&S representative.

The annual Fluoro Friday event will be on **Friday 17th October 2014**. This event held by the University is a thank you to everyone who maintains the health and safety management system at UNSW, including committee representatives, floor wardens, first aiders and other champions of safety. There will be prizes and a fashion parade, so get your best fluoro outfits ready. Further information available at:

https://www.ohs.unsw.edu.au/Fluoro_Friday/Fluoro_Friday.html

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