



## **Anaesthesia and Critical Care in Unusual and Transport Environments Special Interest Group**

Minutes of the AGM held during the ANZCA ASM  
on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May at 1000 in Meeting Room 1 & 2 at the Cairns Convention Centre  
2009

### **MINUTES**

#### **1. Attendance and apologies**

Apologies were received from:

Alan MacKillop  
Nick Jansen  
Barbara Trytko  
George Merridew  
Fabian Purcell  
Ian Seppelt  
John Williams

#### **2. Minutes of the 2008 AGM**

The Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

#### **3. SIG Status**

##### **3.1 Executive Members**

The Chair advised that following the recent election the executive committee comprised of the following:

Dr Allan MacKillop	QLD (Chair)
Dr George Merridew	TAS
Dr Blair Munford	NSW
Dr John Orton	NZ
Dr Mason Ramsay	QLD

The Chair reported that the Executive will need to look for representatives in the other states. The Chair reported that the SIG had a co-opted member from another group; Stuart Young from Queensland is the College of Emergency Medicine representative. The Chair reported that they still needed to co-opt an Australian College of Ambulance Professionals representative.

##### **3.2 Membership**

The SIG currently has 290 members

##### **3.3 Finances**

The Chair reported that the Expenses for 2008 were \$1,250.00

ACECC is a joint initiative of the Australian and New Zealand College of Anaesthetists,  
the Australian Society of Anaesthetists and the New Zealand Society of Anaesthetists.



#### **4. Future Meetings**

The Chair reported that the ACCUTE SIG do not tend to hold meetings at the ASA and will be running a session again at the ANZCA ASM next May in Christchurch, which will be finalised by December. He reported that there was some suggestion at the Trauma SIG AGM yesterday that the Trauma SIG and ACCUTE SIG could run a satellite meeting before a college meeting where there would be many delegates interested in topics such as Anaesthesia and Transport in Trauma. A possibility would be to hold the meeting before the Australasian Trauma Society Conference.

It was discussed that with JFICM splitting off to CICM the areas which fall within the scope of practice of the SIG such as disaster response, critical care, transport, training and paramedics is now spread across three different colleges making it difficult for the SIG. Three options were suggested, firstly retract and retitle this SIG to purely focus on anaesthesia such as military anaesthesia, anaesthesia in disasters and anaesthesia in difficult environments and to allow those who are interested in critical care transport and disaster medicine to pick their interests up in other multi disciplinary bodies. Option two would be to keep the scope of the SIG as it currently is, however it was discussed that in the future the SIG will be potentially developing standards in parallel with two other colleges, CICM and ACEM. The third option would be to look into whether ANZCA, CICM and ACEM could jointly run the SIG. It was agreed that these options need to be explored further and the relationship the ACCUTE SIG has with other colleges will need to be looked into by the Executive.

#### **5. Meeting close**

There being no further business, the Chair thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 1020 hrs.

**Blair Munford**  
Chair