



## **Day Care Anaesthesia SIG 2009 Annual Report**

The current SIG executive comprises

Michael Fong	QLD chair
Judy Bent	NZ
Rowan Thomas	VIC
Anica Vesic	NSW
Maggie Wong	VIC

There are no representatives at present from Tasmania, ACT or South Australia. The executive meets mainly by email and have only held a one formal telephone linked meeting. There have been no issues requiring major decisions or consultation during the year. Michael Fong will be resigning from the executive after the next AGM and hopes to find a suitable replacement representative from Queensland.

### **Activities in 2009**

The SIG did not contribute to the Cairns ASM in May.

The SIG did contribute to the ASA Annual Meeting in Darwin in September with a session on Cosmetic surgery (Dr Richard Ranger), the effect of regional anaesthesia on outcomes after day surgery (Dr Michael Barrington) and Muscle relaxation and the airway in day surgery (Adjunct professor Martin Culwick). The meeting was chaired by Maggie Wong. The annual meeting of the SIG was planned but no quorum attended. The next annual meeting will thus be held during the planned one day meeting Christchurch on April 30th 2010.

Michael Fong did present to the 2009 annual meeting of the Australian Day Hospital Association in September 2009 on the topic of emergencies in the stand alone day surgery centre.

### **Planned Activities in 2010**

The executive have been busy planning for the triennial one day meeting to be held on the April 30th 2010 Christchurch town Hall the day prior to the ASM. The theme will be "Day Surgery- is it suitable for everyone?" with the main visiting speaker Lee Fleischer from University of Pennsylvania". Local speakers include Gaylene Heard, Phil Ragg, Stephen Watts, Stephan Schug and Chris Bain.

### **The Rupert Hornabook Prize**

This has not been awarded in recent years for research into Day Care Anaesthesia so the executive have decided to remove it from our activities.

### **Financial matters**

The SIG has had minimal expenditure this year.

### **Membership**

The SIG has about 1000 members.

Report written by Michael Fong (chair)