

Association of Dental Anaesthetists

Spring 2005 Newsletter

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A brief report on the Winter Scientific Meeting

The Winter meeting took place in London on 5th February 2005, at the Association of Anaesthetists of Great Britain & Ireland, the new "home" of ADA Administration. The conference was organised by Dr Diana Terry with the expert assistance of Thomas Heiser and the Events Team at the AAGBI.

The theme of the meeting was the "Expert Patient" and speakers included Madeleine Wang, Chair of the Royal College of Anaesthetists Patients Liaison Group, and Paul Helliwell of the National Patient Safety Agency. The highlight of the day, as recorded on the evaluation forms was the presentation by Ms Ros Blackburn detailing her experience of dental treatment as a patient with severe behavioural difficulties and autism. Ms Blackburn has developed the presentation of her life experiences which she shares with Practitioners at meetings both large and small, and is thus able to fund her passion for ice skating and trampolining which are her lifeline. Ms Blackburn is unable to live independently and requires around the clock care, but spoke with a style and enthusiasm which held the audience spellbound.

Dr Karina Lambrenos spoke on "developing services for children" and Dr Tim Lovell gave an expert update on "the current understanding of Heart Disease and the Adult Patient Cohort".

Dr Petrina Wood presented a free paper on "Sevoflourane and Malignant Hypothermia".

Notice of Annual General Meeting

The next AGM will be held on 9th July 2005, at 0900 hours as part of the Summer Scientific Meeting. One of the main concerns of Council is whether to continue to hold two meetings a year. A questionnaire was sent out last year to all members as regards this issue, however, a clear mandate was not received as a result of which we have decided to run two more meetings next year.

Please send your views to: Dr Diana Terry
The Hon. Secretary
ADA, 21 Portland Place
London W1B 1PY

Or by email to info@dentalanaesthesia.org.uk.

Elections to Council

A vacancy currently exists on Council and Members are invited to nominate potential candidates to serve on Council for a period of three years.

Nominations should be proposed and seconded by members of the ADA and include a confirmation from the candidate of a willingness to stand. Candidates will be asked for a short written statement to support their candidature. These will be displayed at the AGM to inform members prior to voting.

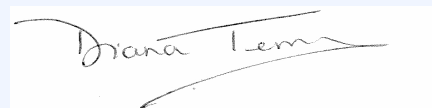
Please ensure your nominations reach the Honorary Secretary by **10th June 2005** at the very latest. Please send them to ADA, 21 Portland Place, London, W1B 1PY.

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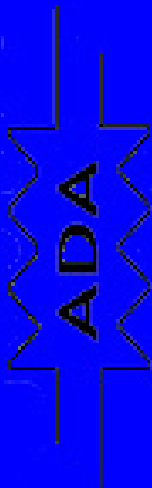
The membership application process has been streamlined and details are now available on our website: www.dentalanaesthesia.org.uk Membership applications are now reviewed via email which also makes the process much quicker. Membership has increased considerably this year, thanks to the able management of our Membership Secretary, Dr Angela Hamilton.

I hope you enjoy reading this newsletter and look forward to receiving any comments or observations you may have.

Best wishes



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SUMMER SCIENTIFIC MEETING

8-9th July 2005

Conference Park
48 Edgbaston Park Road
University of Birmingham
U.K.

For more information please contact:

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Free Papers are invited and should be forwarded to:

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TCHwright@btinternet.com

ADA Prize

The AGM will be held at 0900 hours on Saturday 9th July 2005.

This meeting has been organised by Drs Chris Wright and Nigel Robb and you should have received an invitation. Please attend and encourage other colleagues to come and join us. Please encourage Trainees to present Free papers and get ideas for submissions for the ADA Prize.