

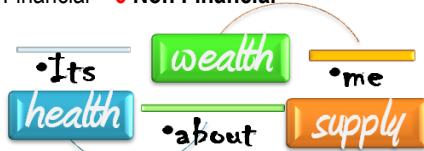


Welcome to another AHSPPO newsletter and the year is certainly flying past at a rapid pace with the 23rd Annual AHSPPO conference at the Mercure Ballarat Hotel & Convention Centre on the 19th to 21st of October just 8 weeks away. Christmas in July was a terrific evening enjoyed by 87 members at Sketch in the Docklands. Thank you to Aldo for organizing the event which gave us a magnificent waterfront view and front row seats for the July Friday night fireworks. Also on the night a presentation was made to Alan Gentry thanking him for his support of AHSPPO throughout his career as he plans to retire in September 2011.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

New Full Members – Johann Smith – Eastern Health and Phillip Toddhunter – Albury Wodonga Hospital
New Corporate Members - LR Instruments, ICU Medical and Total Cleaning Supplies

Total registered membership - 216
Full: 118 111 Financial 17 Non Financial
Affiliate: 9 9 Financial
Corporate: 89 83 Financial 6 Non Financial
Life: 9



2011 CONFERENCE

The 23rd Annual AHSPPO conference will be held at the Mercure Ballarat Hotel & Convention Centre on the 19th to 21st of October 2011. Plans for this year's conference are well on the way and the committee have organized an action packed list of speakers and entertainment, details about the program can be seen in the last edition of the Acquisitor. Thank you to all the suppliers who have offered sponsorship for this year's conference. Costs are still \$660, and discounts apply for more than one attendee.

Delegate Sponsorship

The committee will again this year be offering sponsored conference packages to potential/full members who would like to attend.

Access to conference package

Delegates must work in the Supply & Store areas of a Public or Private Healthcare Institution. Department's budget will not accommodate attendance to the conference. Preference will be given to applicants who have not previously attended the conference. Delegates can be either a member or non-member of the association. Applicants are required to submit in writing with 25 plus words why they would like to attend the 2011 conference in Ballarat. Applications are to be forwarded to Russell King either by fax to 03 53203880 or emailed to russellk@bhs.org.au Closing date for applications is 9th September 2011.

YOUR COMMITTEE

Table with 4 columns: Role, Name, Phone, Email. Includes President Russell King, Vice President Barbara Storm, Secretary Judy Bart, Treasurer Ron Hiller, Membership Officer Aldo Santo, Committee/ILG Chairperson Glenda Prewett, Committee/Journal Editor Rosemarie Robinson, Committee/ILG Representative Peter D'Costa.

Annual General Meeting – Ballarat Conference

Three committee positions will become available at the AGM these are: - President, Treasurer and 1 x Committee member Nomination forms will be sent out 21 days prior to the AGM.

AHSPPO CALENDAR 2011

Executive Meetings

9th September – Last date for applications for sponsorship to attend this year's conference.

15th September - Committee meeting - Eye and Ear Hospital East Melbourne.

20th October – AHSPPO Annual General Meeting, 4.30pm Ballarat.

19th to 21st October -The 23rd Annual AHSPPO conference held at the Mercure Ballarat Hotel & Convention Centre Ballarat.

INDUSTRY LIAISON GROUP

Sustainability Road Show – Engaging our Suppliers

The ILG have received a number of expressions of interests from our Corporate Members to participate in two planned Sustainability Road Shows to be held at Western Health and Bass Coast Regional Healthcare. Dates are currently being finalised and Suppliers will be notified shortly. Thank you to those who have responded, we look forward to displaying your sustainability & environmentally friendly products, services and packaging with our Healthcare communities and stakeholders.

Probity Training Sessions

The committee would like to thank all the Health Services that have already offered their facilities for the Probity in Procurement Training Sessions. Ten sessions have now been held at various locations metro and regional. There are five more sessions planned at: Peninsula Health, Alpine Health, Benalla Health, Albury Wodonga Health, South West Healthcare. All these are fully booked. The feedback from all the sessions held has been very positive. If your Health Facility is interested in holding a session please contact Glenda Prewett – email glenda.prewett@eyeandear.org.au

JOURNAL

The usual cry from our editor is I want articles! articles! articles! Thank you to all the suppliers and members who placed articles in the June edition of the Acquisitor. If you have an advertisement or story for the journal that would be of interest please contact Rosemarie Robinson Southern Health - email rosemarie.roinson@southernhealth.org.au. Anticipated next edition December 2011 after the conference.