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President's message

Brrrrrr- despite the chilly and snowy conditions, the committee refuses to hibernate, and we beaver on, to present you with another quarter of seminars, whilst working like a team of meerkats on the upcoming Jade Moon Night at the Park Hyatt on Saturday the 6th September. We were so busy that we didn't even notice May fly by! We quickly resolved the situation, and scheduled Updates in Urology, so succinctly delivered by Mr Charles Han. We were grateful for Tolmar Australia's sponsorship to allow us the delightful banquet meal at Shark Fin Inn. At this event, we acknowledged the winners of 2013 Tennis Tournament, Doug Gin and Sem Liew. We also had a presentation from the CEO of International China Concern, Jannene Wall. She informed us of where and how our charitable donation would aid orphans in China. Despite having some insight from our experiences at Starfish orphanage, Xian, it was still a stirring eye-opener to hear of her experiences in China. We allowed school holidays to pass, then followed up with another seminar at the enticing duck restaurant, Quan Jude. Avant Medical Indemnity represented by Kate Hughes and Mia Campbell were the guest speakers, and presented an interactive insight into how to avoid and deal with medico legal situations (**below right**). The scenarios touched all areas of medicine, and question time was frenetically stimulating and invigorating. I think we all left with renewed enlightenment of how to approach the outside world with care and wisdom, within our respective practices.

You now have less than three weeks to gather friends and family, and start delving into the wardrobe for that item which fits with the Jade Moon theme - perhaps a jade bracelet or pendant. The "Moon" is indicative of the Moon or Mid-Autumn festival, on which the night falls (6th-8th September). This year, we are raising funds towards not only the Chinese Cancer Society, but also raising awareness

of Hepatitis B, "the silent killer". Hepatitis Victoria is currently self funded, however there is a government initiative afoot, and the Victorian Health Minister, Hon David Davis will be present to offer support.

The night promises to be sumptuous, with world class entertainment assisted by Steinway, great food, music and wonderful donations for the auction and raffle.

Mercedes Benz, our Platinum sponsor is donating a plethora of items, along with Hardy Brothers Jewellery (Omega Watch), Flower Drum, IM La Perla Lingerie, Helicopter flights from Microflite, John Cavill Boutique, Peninsula Hot Springs, Louis XIII Cognac, Quan Jude Restaurant, Penfolds Grange, Bunnings, Loula boutique, to name a few. Many thanks to Asian Executive who have taken on the task of a major sponsor.

I hope to see you on this night of nights where 1 of every 10 guests will walk away with an amazing table centre piece, whilst knowing you have also assisted in spreading the word that testing and treating Hepatitis B saves lives.

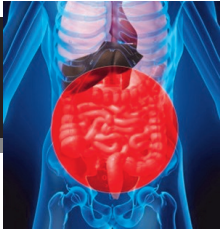
I bid you Adieu till we meet in the Spring.

"Not for ourselves alone, are we born."
(Non obis solum nati sum us)

Marcus Tullius Cicero

Dr Nicole Yap FRACS





ACMAV Seminar program



Urology update

In May 2014, the ACMAV gathered at Shark Fin Inn, Melbourne CBD, for an evening of urological insights. The seminar was led by Dr Charles Han (right), consultant urologist, who provided a comprehensive update on various aspects of prostate cancer diagnosis and management. These included the current approach to prostate cancer screening, a review of the evidence of recent trials and the effectiveness of prostate cancer screening. On the flip side, there is potential harm from screening including the risk of biopsy, over-diagnosis of prostate cancer, and the morbidity of treatment. Hormonal therapy such as GnRH agonists is widely used in metastatic prostate cancer, and surgical options are increasingly able to deliver better functional and oncological outcomes. Thank you to Tolmar Australia for sponsoring the evening. *Dr Hanmei Pan*



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In the dead cold of July, medicolegal specialists Kate Hughes and Mia Campbell from Avant hosted an evening on the legal pitfalls that can trip up even the most seasoned medical practitioners. After running through a series of cases including some with a paediatric/young adult focus, there was plenty of opportunity for the audience to throw back a few curly scenarios for discussion. This was accompanied by a more than filling menu from the Quanjude kitchen which invariably dished forth the signature Peking duck. Our appreciation to Avant for sponsoring this seminar.



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JADE MOON NIGHT

CHARITY BALL

Saturday, September 6th, 2014
Park Hyatt Melbourne

Raising funds for the ACMAV Foundation,
Hepatitis B Jade Ribbon Campaign
and the Chinese Cancer Society of Victoria



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Ladies and Gents, dust off the tux and shine up those shoes!
The ACMAV 2014 Charity Ball is less than 2 weeks away!

On behalf of the Australian Chinese Medical Association of Victoria, the organising committee warmly invites you to join us at the Jade Moon Night Charity Ball, to take place in the spectacular ballroom of the Park Hyatt Melbourne on Saturday, 6th of September 2014.

The theme reflects the Association's continuing support of the Jade Ribbon Campaign in raising community awareness of Hepatitis B, where prevention and early detection can halt the alarming rise of Hepatitis B related liver cancer and deaths. This event aims to raise funds to support this ongoing effort.

We are honoured to have the support of the Victorian Minister for Health, The Honourable David Davis, Melbourne City Council, Victorian Multicultural Commission, and Hepatitis Victoria. We wish also to acknowledge the generous contributions of all our sponsors for this event. The program includes special performances from international artists, a charity auction with boutique items for sale, wonderful raffle prizes to be won, lively music and dancing.

So, gather up your family and friends, spread the word amongst your colleagues, and come join us for a night of fun and entertainment whilst supporting an important and worthy cause!

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events calendar



ACMAV Tennis Tournament

Sun 19th Oct 2014—11.45 am

Rod Laver Indoor Courts

Melbourne Park National Tennis Centre,

Swan Street, Richmond, VIC

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Oct : ACMAV Annual General Meeting

Nov: HSBC Wealth Seminar

ACMAV Committee Positions

Calling enthusiastic and committed members to be part of the organising committee.

Bring your ideas, experience and energy!

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