

Conference Program



SA
RGA
2026

Rural
Generalist
Anaesthetist
Conference

12-14 February 2026

Novotel Barossa Valley Resort
South Australia

DAY	TIME	SESSION + LOCATION	INFORMATION
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01

Thursday
12th Feb
2026

1800 -
1900

Registration
Reception Lobby

1900 -
2100

Welcome Reception
Lawn area

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02

Friday
13th Feb
2026

0845

Arrival Coffee/Tea
Pre-function area

0900 -
0945

Dr Pete Gilchrist
Shiraz AB

Welcome and Opening address

0945 -
1045

Dr Fiona Taverner
Shiraz AB

Paediatric anaesthesia practice update

1045 -
1115

Morning Tea
Pre-function area

1115 -
1200

Dr Allan Cyna
Shiraz AB

The words we use

1200 -
1245

Dr Allan Cyna
Dr Fiona Taverner
Dr Fraser Vivian
Shiraz AB

Paediatric anaesthesia Q&A panel

1245 -
1330

Lunch
Pre-function area

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02

Friday
13th Feb
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1330 -
1500

CICO 1
Dr Janssen Ang and
CICO SA
Shiraz A

Block & See:
A Masterclass
in Ophthalmic
Anaesthesia
Dr Prash Kuruppu and
Dr Jon Clarke
Merlot AB

Neonatal Resus 1
Dr John Craven
SAPMEA
Cabernet A

Parallel forums

1: In theatre fires
Dr Airell Hodgkinson
(45 mins)
Shiraz B

2: Austere anaesthesia
Dr Diana Z and
Dr Kate Kloza
(45 mins)
Shiraz B

1500 -
1530 **Afternoon Tea**
Pre-function area

1530 -
1700

CICO 1
(cont)
Shiraz A

Block & See:
A Masterclass
in Ophthalmic
Anaesthesia
Dr Prash Kuruppu and
Dr Jon Clarke
Merlot AB

Neonatal Resus 1
(cont)
Cabernet A

Parallel forums

1: Pre-hospital
emergency care-
case discussion and
practice updates
Dr James Doube
(45 mins)
Shiraz B

2: TIVA: How, what and
why?
Dr Pete Gilchrist and
Dr Jason Bament
(45 mins)
Shiraz B

1900 -
2300 **Dinner**
Shiraz AB In conversation with Dr Gill Hicks interviewed
by Dr Airell Hodgkinson

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03

Saturday
14th Feb
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0815 Arrival Coffee/Tea
Pre-function area

0830 - 1000	CICO 2 Dr Janssen Ang and CICO SA <i>Shiraz A</i>	Block by Block: A Hands-On Regional Anaesthesia Workshop 1 U/S blocks Dr Gilberto Arenas and Dr Joanne Tan <i>Merlot AB</i>	Neonatal Resus 2 Dr John Craven SAPMEA <i>Cabernet A</i>	Beat & Belly: A Dual-Organ Ultrasound Bootcamp 1 Dr Nnadozie Awujo, Dr Prash Kuruppu, Dr Jason Bament and Dr Pete Gilchrist <i>Cabernet B</i>
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Parallel forums

1: Influencing conversations and decisions in healthcare
Dr Andrew Ottaway
(45 mins)
Shiraz B

2: What do RGAs do? Audit data from Clare and SA
Dr Geordie Beath and Dr Pete Gilchrist
(45 mins)
Shiraz B

1000 - 1030 Morning Tea
Pre-function area

1030 - 1200	CICO 2 (cont) <i>Shiraz A</i>	Block by Block: A Hands-On Regional Anaesthesia Workshop 2 U/S blocks Dr Gilberto Arenas and Dr Joanne Tan <i>Merlot AB</i>	Neonatal Resus 2 (cont) <i>Cabernet A</i>	Beat & Belly: A Dual-Organ Ultrasound Bootcamp 2 Dr Nnadozie Awujo, Dr Prash Kuruppu, Dr Jason Bament and Dr Pete Gilchrist <i>Cabernet B</i>
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Parallel forums

1: Moving from metro to rural practice
Dr Lisa White, Dr Millie Wells and Dr Ben Kealy
(45 mins)
Shiraz B

2: Just a little PPH
Dr Andrew Pols
(45 mins)
Shiraz B

1200 - 1300 Lunch
Pre-function area

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03

Saturday
14th Feb
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1300 -
1345

Dr Andrew Ottaway
Shiraz AB

Obstetric anaesthesia practice update: case discussions and addressing (or solving) common clinical dilemmas

1345 -
1430

Dr Matthew Green
Shiraz AB

Contemporary approaches to chronic pain management

1430 -
1500

Afternoon Tea
Pre-function area

1500 -
1630

Dr Paul Angus convening a panel of RGAs with varied perspectives
Shiraz AB

Clinical Courage in RGA practice
Professor Lucie Walters – what is clinical courage and what is the research about clinical courage telling us?
Panel discussion: Lived experience of clinical courage

- Dr David Mills
- Dr James Doube
- Professor Lucie Walters
- Dr Tyson Whitelaw

1630

Conference close and thanks