The **Australian Society of Endodontology (ASE)** was established in 1967, to educate the profession and promote interest, and participation in the study and advancement of Endodontology and Endodontics. It has developed into one of the largest special interest dental societies in Australia, comprising membership from general dentists, endodontists and post graduate students, and is affiliated with the Australian Dental Association.

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The ASE continues the high standard of previous scientific and meeting programs. Meetings are conducted, usually bimonthly, by the State branches. The ASE invites local, national and international quality speakers to address these meetings as well as to national conferences like the Trans-Tasman Endodontic Conference in Hobart, Tasmania this November (details below).

**The ASE will continue to be an active supporter for IFEA, which has an excellent past record and a continued quest to promote endodontics and endodontology internationally.**

Professor Paul Abbott from Western Australia, is the immediate past president of IFEA, and in 2004 Australia successfully hosted IFEA’s 6th World Endodontic Congress in Brisbane, the first to be held in the Southern Hemisphere.

The 7th World endodontic Congress in Vancouver in 2007 was particularly enjoyed by the Australians, (the third highest representation of delegates) and was testament to the high quality of speakers, and the organisation by the CAE on behalf of IFEA. Internationally, in addition to its active support and involvement with IFEA, the ASE, by sponsoring its keynote Australian speakers, has supported endodontic education and contributed to endodontic meetings of the Asian-Pacific Endodontic Confederation (APEC). Our friendship with our North American colleagues and professional educaton has been enhanced by the ASE jointly hosting four Trans Pacific Endodontontic Confederation (TPEC) conferences with the Canadian Academy of Endodontics (CAE).

The ASE is justifiably proud of the renowned high quality and informative **Australian Endodontic Journal (AEJ)**, currently edited by Dr Ralph Reid, former ASE representative to IFEA and Regent Director of Oceania, and chairman of IFEA’s 6th World Endodontic Congress organising committee. The AEJ keeps members up-to-date with original national and international literature, clinical reports and research pertaining to endodontics and dental traumatology, and all Australian endodontic events. **The ASE welcomes inquiries from our international colleagues** in relation to contributing scientific and clinical articles to this peer reviewed Journal, and for those wishing to subscribe to the Journal.

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Australian memories of IFEA’s 7th World Endodontic Congress 2007, Vancouver

Australian Delegate Dr Andrew Kong arrested - its no laughing matter!

An IFEA function is a “right royal occasion”. Mark Wotzke (L) and Ralph Reid are granted an audience.

Immediate Past President Paul Abbott – unwinding with Tina

Auditioning for Tina’s Chorus Line (Don’t call us ….)

What makes a Mountie in uniform so irresistible? Ask Marilyn Cohen (L) and Adele Wotzke.

The Bald Brigade - an Endodontist’s Legacy.
The Australian Society of Endodontology and the New Zealand Society of Endodontics are proud to host their inaugural **Trans-Tasman Endodontic Conference** to be held in Hobart, the Capital city of Australia’s island state of Tasmania from Thursday 20 November to Saturday 22 November 2008. This conference promises to be an excellent educational forum for delegates on current and future techniques and issues in endodontics, whilst enjoying the stunning beauty and excellent local produce that Tasmania has to offer.

The keynote speakers will be **Professor Markus Haapasalo** from the University of British Columbia and **Professor Ove Peters** from the University of the Pacific in San Francisco. Australian and New Zealand presenters will complement our overseas speakers in providing you with the latest in endodontic biology, materials and techniques making this meeting the Southern Hemisphere’s premier endodontic meeting for 2008. Limited attendance clinics will be offered in specialized subjects which will be available on a “first come first served basis” and at a small additional cost. Accompanying this professionally stimulating program will be an extensive trade exhibition and social program. This conference is open to, and will have broad appeal to all dental professionals, (dentists, specialists, post graduate students), including our international colleagues who have an interest in endodontics and endodontology.

**Tasmania, Australia’s island state is one of the few remaining unspoilt places left on Earth.**
Throughout the state there are never-ending wild and beautiful landscapes, a rich history and exciting opportunities for adventure. Outstanding food and wine, welcoming people and endless attractions make Tasmania a unique conference destination.
Nestled in the foothills of spectacular Mount Wellington and along the shores of the beautiful Derwent River, Hobart is the second oldest city and one of Australia's most picturesque capital cities. The gateway to southern Tasmania, Hobart is the perfect location for the Inaugural Trans-Tasman Endodontic Conference as delegates can combine this important educational experience with their own personal holiday experiences.

We welcome all members of Endodontic Associations affiliated with IFEA, and invite you to venture “down under”, whether it be for the Trans-Tasman Endodontic Conference or other ASE meetings, to enjoy not only some of the most inspiring and educational endodontic meetings available, but to experience our great hospitality and wonderfully unique and varied wildlife and landscape.

Mark Wotzke
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