

2013 OCEANIC REPORT FOR THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF  
ENDODONTIC ASSOCIATIONS.

**The Australian Society of Endodontology report:**

The Australian Society of Endodontology has come off a very busy 2012 and whilst the immediate year ahead is slightly slower paced, we continue to have a busy 12 to 18 months to look forward to. We continue to meet our society's key objectives to promote interest and participation in Endodontics through education, publication and research.

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Membership

The ASE continues to maintain a strong membership of over 450 members including 7 honorary life members and 2 honorary members. Although our numbers have declined from previous highs in the late 1990s, we have retained a steady number of members over the past few years. The ASE retains one of the highest levels of membership of all affiliate societies of the Australian Dental Association.

Journal

In a difficult publishing climate, the Australian Endodontic Journal continues to perform well as an important endodontic journal on the international stage. As the primary publishing arm of the ASE and as the primary journal for the Asia Pacific Endodontic Confederation, the AEJ is now available in 4082 institutions worldwide via the Wiley-Blackwell collection license. The AEJ achieved an overall renewal rate of 116.4% for the last reportable year in comparison to an average renewal rate of 95% for other Health Science journals. The last reportable year also saw a 17% increase on full text downloads compared to the previous year. The reported impact factor for the journal was 0.958.

Financial Position

The ASE remains in a strong financial position. This gives us the opportunity to review our funding and support for various programs and projects. We will

continue to support and expand the AEJ which should allow us to deal with the issue of a backlog of articles to be published. We will continue our support of undergraduate and postgraduate students with grants to dental schools, and support to students to attend appropriate endodontic courses. We continue to encourage members and students to enter our various competitions and to apply for funding for appropriate funding of endodontic research. We have been able to maintain the same membership subscription rate for a number of years now.

### Upcoming Events

The ASE is well into the planning stage for TTEC4 to be held in Melbourne on June 26<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> 2014. The venue will be the Crown Conference Centre. At this time the keynote speakers have been confirmed as Dr Franklin Tay and Dr Paul Dummer. They will be supported by local speakers from Australian and New Zealand who are soon to be confirmed along with the final scientific program. We are close to securing a fantastic venue for our Gala dinner and promise a great social program which will highlight the attractions of this great city. The website is up and running and will continue to be updated over the year. We are pleased to be working with our previous Conference Organisers Waldron Smith Management with whom we have now established a great working relationship.

In 2016 the ASE will hosts delegates from around the world at the IADT dental trauma conference. We have hosted this event previously in Melbourne in 1999. This will replace the TTEC for that year. A host city is not yet confirmed and we are working with the IADT to find the best place to hold this international event. We will be looking to our members to become involved in organising the scientific program and social program, as speakers and as volunteers.

Kurien Mamootil

ASE Federal President

### **The New Zealand Society of Endodontology report:**

NZSE and the Australian Society of Endodontology co-hosted the 3<sup>rd</sup> Trans-Tasman Endodontic Conference on the Gold Coast, Qld, Australia in June 2012. The meeting was well attended and was a great success. NZSE is actively involved on the Conference Committee for the next TTEC in Melbourne 2014.

At the AGM in August, Dr Sara Jardine stood down after 9 years as President of NZSE. Our Society has committed to contribute to a research fund for endodontic-related research in New Zealand. The NZSE Endodontic prize for 2012 was awarded to Peter Coghlan. A sub-group of NZSE was established to represent the interests of Specialist Endodontists in New Zealand and Dr Mike Gordon was elected Chair. The group met in April 2013 for a formal meeting, preceded by clinical and scientific presentations.

The NZSE Committee is planning a half-day Endodontic course preceding the 2013 annual Conference of the New Zealand Dental Association. The New

Zealand Endodontic Journal continues to publish clinical and scientific articles pitched to general dentists in private practice.

Mike Jameson

NZSE President.