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Welcome to the first edition of Articulate from the 2012-13 Committee. ADSA is keen to introduce you to our amazing new committee who are all working hard to ensure ADSA keeps delivering to students nationwide.

Firstly, apologies from ADSA to all those students who missed out on convention this year and have no doubt had to put up with countless tales of fun times and frivolities from their class mates. This year’s convention was by far the biggest to date with over 400 students taking part during the week.

None of it would have been possible without the tireless efforts of Andrew Watkins, Christine Yu and the whole convention committee and a huge thank you to all involved for their efforts. We cannot wait to do it all again next year in ADELAIDE!

Apart from a massive spike in face book friendships nationwide there were a number of important things to come out of convention 2012. ADSA is proud to announce that all Bachelor of Oral Health students will be included in our ranks.

We also had important meetings with the Australian Dental Association and Australian Council of Dental Schools and look forward to working with these entities in the future.

Moving forward ADSA will be represented at the next NRHSN face to face meeting in Melbourne and the Future Health Leaders conference in Adelaide. It is important to us that we stay involved in initiatives to voice ADSA’s opinion and promote the association to the wider community.

I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to Emma Thorburn for all of her work last year as President. Apart from the hours and hours dedicated to all things ADSA, she has been instrumental over the past few years into developing ADSA into what you see today. I hope I can fill the large shoes she has left behind.

Lastly, If there is anything we can ever do for you please don’t hesitate to get in touch. ADSA is here to be your voice so we are always open to hearing your issues and opinions.
Are you a student member of the ADA?

As a student member of the ADA you get access to some amazing resources.

Access to the ADA members are of the website which includes:
- Digital Media Library
- National Online Library
- The Australian Dentist
- Webinars
- The Dental Files
- Online Publications

Other great services:
- Reduced Rate to the Australian Dental Congress
- Access to Suite of Partner Services
- In some states you are eligible to receive free Professional Indemnity Insurance

You receive some great publications including:
- News Bulletin
- The Practical Guides
- Schedule & Glossary
- Dental Directory
- Australian Dental Journal
- Infection Control Guidelines
- Therapeutic Guidelines

You need to go to the ADA website for your ADA Branch in your State.

Click here to find your state branch:

This year, the ADA ran a campaign called ‘Stop the Rot’ as a part of 2012 dental health week which ran from the 6-12th of August. This campaign was aimed at raising awareness about childhood caries with the main message being ‘eat fewer sugary foods and drinks and don’t snack between meals’. Some scary facts:

- By the age of 6 over half of all Australian children will be suffering from tooth decay.
- It’s also the most common reason for Australian preschoolers to be admitted to hospital.

Dental Health Week
STOP THE ROT

Graduating soon?

For those of you graduating in 2012, you may want to think about applying for the voluntary dental graduate year program.

The next event on ADSA’s awareness calendar is FDI’s World Oral Health Day on September the 12th. ADSA will be keeping you in the loop with updates through Facebook and Twitter.

If you have any ideas about what ADSA can do in the future to support existing awareness programs, send ADSA an email at media@adsa.org.au.

Blood Drive

This year, let’s make it bigger, better, and give Sydney some competition!


If you don’t know where your donor service is and don’t know how to Google, the recommendation is you find your friendly liaison officer (there’s one at every school) who will tell you how to get there.

ADSA wants YOU* to donate blood!

*ADSA only wants fit and healthy people to donate blood.

Blood Drive

The blood drive is on again, dental students everywhere should head down to their local blood donor service and donate as much blood as they can tolerate over the coming months. Flu season is over, you have no excuse!

Last year’s blood drive was a huge success, with hundreds of lives being saved by our donations.

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This program offers graduate dental students the opportunity to complete a year of paid work experience in a range of clinical settings, with on-line learning, mentoring and professional support throughout.

At the completion of the program students will be provided with a $15,000 bonus incentive as well as providing students with 60 hours CPD, satisfying CPD requirements for the following three years. There are 50 positions for new graduates in 2013.

Graduating soon?

Applications open in Monday 20 August, so for more information go to:
www.aitec.edu.au/vdgyp
The students and clinical tutors got together to celebrate G.V. Black’s birthday on Friday August 3rd (not quite his actual birth date, but close enough!) at the local pub.

It was a great night with lots of dancing, free drink tokens and a seriously impressive cake (special mention to our cooking extraordinaire Clare)!

The fourth year students helped to run the Australian Dental Association stand at the Mums and Bubs Expo at the Claremont Showgrounds, which ran from 10-12 August.

They dressed up as tooth fairies, blew millions of bubbles, granted wishes and most importantly performed free dental exams on babies and young children.

UWA students handed out lots of pamphlets (and balloons and stickers!) and answered questions about how to brush children’s teeth, when to take children to the dentist etc.

The students loved the experience and had a real opportunity to genuinely make a difference to the oral health of the wider community.

What a fabulous idea, perhaps other uni’s might think about doing something similar. What has your uni done for your community? For to see what your uni is up to, check out www.adsa.org.au.

Meet the new committee!

**President:** Mark Bennett  
**Interests:** Anything that involves getting my ears wet. I also fill my spare time running around a football field, awaiting Sir Alex’s phone call.  
**Why you joined ADSA:** I was actually roped into it 3 years ago through relentless peer pressure. I was present the day ADSA started and have relished the opportunity to help develop an amazing association to bring together students from across the country.  
**Role:** Apart from keeping an eye on the activities of the association as a whole, my main job is to represent ADSA in the wider community. Essentially my aim is to bring students together from across the country and through ADSA act as a voice on a national scale.

**Secretary:** Caroline Bowman  
**Interests:** Rural health, baking, sport (mostly AFL and cricket)  
**Why you joined ADSA:** I enjoyed working with the people who made Convention 2012 happen and wanted to be more involved in the representation of dental students  
**Role:** Ensure communication between members of the committee, liaison officers and the executive, helping to make every voice heard. I also get to work closely with the convention committee so that we can all have a great time in Adelaide next year.

**Treasurer:** Sheng Zhang  
**Interests:** Enjoy playing and spectating all sports. Taking long drives through the country in an open top.  
**Why you joined ADSA:** To contribute to the wider advocacy of dental students at a national level.  
**Role:** Managing the budget and liaising with committee members regarding finances. Ensuring the society meets financial regulatory requirements.

**Media Officer:** Peter Tran  
**Interests:** I love music. Bad jokes and am frequently found at the gym...  
**Why you joined ADSA:** ADSA is quickly taking shape into a professional organization that represents dental students around Australia. I have interests in social media and volunteer work and am bringing it to the table to give ADSA the presence it deserves around our universities.  
**Role:** The position of Media Officer has changed from year to year. During 2012-2013, the position is expected to expand into social media content and community involvement.
Sponsorship Officer: Keith Harper
Interests: I’m a pretty easy going guy who enjoys lazing around with friends, playing sports like touch and tennis, and unleashing my inner nerd through my computer/the internet.

Why you joined ADSA: I feel sponsorship for ADSA is crucial as it not only allows us to exist, but allows us to put together the annual ADSA convention. We have the ability to take sponsorship even further this year, which will in turn allow ADSA to grow into something bigger and brighter than it already is.

Role: My role is to maintain contact and relations with existing sponsors, and appeal to new potential sponsors with the goal of bringing them on board.

Publications Officer: Audrey Irish
Interests: I like playing sport and going dancing. I enjoy politics and talking health policy (nerdy I know). I also like food. Especially dessert. Nom nom nom.

Why you joined ADSA: I think it’s important that dental students have a national voice to represent our interests. It’s a great opportunity for dental students from across the country to share ideas and make friends!

Role: To make all ADSA publications and keep students updated with what ADSA is up to. Especially with our quarterly newsletter, Articulate!

Website Officer: Michael Chan (a.k.a. “Channers”)
Interests: Tae Kwon Do, eating, DoTA and having a ridiculous good time.

Why you joined ADSA: Because I know what HTML stands for and I’m good with computers.

Role: To maintain and update the ADSA website and eventually make it mobile friendly!

Rural Officer: Kevin Lam
Interests: Travel, Photography

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Convention 2013!

With the Sydney convention only recently come and gone, no doubt many of you will be feeling withdrawal symptoms, nostalgia and may have even caught the dreaded conventionitis [see Zen D’Souza from Griffith University for more details].

And for those who weren’t able to make it, what exactly did happen in Sydney (see page 2). Fear not. The convention is on again and next year returning to Adelaide.

Adelaide promises to bring crazy nights, delectable delights and some of Australia’s best lecturers.

Between now and next year we suggest that you:
- Refine your palate for wine tasting
- Become familiar with churches in your local area
- Down a Coopers or two
- And keep in touch with your university liaison officer for regular convention updates

Over and out. Adelaide Convention Committee 2013.

Check out the promo video here: http://vimeo.com/45248438

The federal government has just announced it’s new dental health care plan. For more information about this go to:

Or look at our website for updates, and look out for more information in the next Articulate.

Many thanks to Andrew Watkins, Mark Bennett, Caroline Bowman, Peter Tran, Laura Petroff and Jennifer Hanna for their contributions.

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ADSA is now on twitter!
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Pick the fun fact with the new committee member.
Answers are on the ADSA website!

I shook hands with and had a casual chat with the bishop of London
I have been to 13 countries and lived in 3 of them for more than 2 years
I can flip my tongue upside down
I can eat 10 pieces of KFC in one sitting
Played superman in the school play. Needed socks
Toasted marshmallows on the lava of a Guatemalan volcano
By the end of this person’s time at ADSA next year, they will have been to more conventions than they spent years at dental school.

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