

# President's Report



Welcome to the Inaugural Edition of the online newsletter – Gamma Gazette

I'd like to thank my Vice President and current chair of the New South Wales branch, Tracey Smith, and the committee members of the NSW and ACT Branches for their enthusiasm and commitment in compiling and gathering the material for this issue of the newsletter.

This newsletter will be produced 4 times a year, and will be on a rotational responsibility of the Society branches. Next up will be Queensland branch, followed by Victoria/Tasmania and Western Australia for 2011.

Firstly I want to bring your attention to the vibrant, new artwork of this newsletter, which is going to be the new concept colours for the Society from here forwards.

We have had an explosive start to 2011, with many projects which are either ongoing or have been started with a common goal to increase the profile of Nuclear Medicine in Australia, and particularly the Society's role in this matter.

We have a team of dedicated Society members who have been working hard at getting the new website up and running, with tenders being written to address (hopefully all) the needs of the members who have responded to the website survey circulated last year. While every effort has been made to integrate these requests and suggestions received into the new website, some may not have been feasible due to various reasons. In the meantime, we hope that you will be patient with the upgrade, and you will be updated regarding the progress via email/internet.

Ongoing efforts are underway with National Registration for Nuclear Medicine Technologists/Scientists, for which there is a dedicated update in this newsletter. Whilst this information is up to date at time of printing, there are developments in this aspect over the coming weeks. So, any important, pertinent changes will be circulated to members as they arise.

There is also an initiative to promote Nuclear Medicine as a career path in the region. A new brochure is being produced in an attempt to introduce more high school students and undergraduates to the concept of Nuclear Medicine and the multi-disciplinary options available to them as a career path. The launch of this brochure will be at The Age Career's Fair in Melbourne from May 6-8. If you are interested in participating, please contact the Secretariat, Judi Anderson at [anzsnm@21century.com.au](mailto:anzsnm@21century.com.au) to register your interest and you will be contacted by the Branch secretary.

Finally, we have had a fantastic number of abstracts submitted to the upcoming Annual Scientific Meeting in Darwin. For those who intend to attend, I encourage you all to register and book early to attend this meeting whilst flights and accommodation are still available. There is a robust scientific program organised by Paul Roach and Dale Bailey - I'd like to thank them and their hard working committee for bringing this together, and hope to see as many of you there as possible. It will have something for everybody, not to mention for the family as well! You can check out the program at [www.anzsnm2011.com.au](http://www.anzsnm2011.com.au)

See you in Darwin!

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**President**

