

## ANZAPPL QUEENSLAND BRANCH 2010

### *WELCOME*

The Queensland Branch of ANZAPPL was established in 2009. Membership is open to people interested in the interplay of the 3 areas of psychiatry, psychology and law.

Queensland will host the 2010 conference at the Gold Coast on the 26-29 August. The theme will be PREDICTION the Holy Grail.

### *Committee Structure*

The Committee is voluntary, and presently consists of the following members:-

<b>President:</b>	Dr Ness McVie
<b>Secretary:</b>	Dianne Prendergast
<b>Committee Members:</b>	Scott Harden Guy Burrige Jay Hendricks Lynda Troy Russ Scott Steven Morgan Barry Thomas

### *ANZAPPL 2010 Committee Member Profiles*

#### **Dr Ness McVie (President)**

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Dr Ness McVie has worked as a Consultant Psychiatrist in public forensic mental health services since 1996, including 6 years as Clinical Director of community forensic mental health based in Brisbane, but providing consultation liaison services to two thirds of Queensland.

In February 2008, Dr McVie was appointed to the position of assisting Psychiatrist, Mental Health Court.

Her areas of interest include filicide, the role of intoxication in relation to the insanity defence, forensic aspects of intellectual disability, the history and development of mental health legislation, administration of mental health legislation and forensic mental health service delivery.

#### **Dianne Prendergast (Secretary, Adult Guardian)**

Dianne Prendergast is a lawyer who practiced for 20 years in family law prior to being appointed as the Adult Guardian (Queensland). She is the National Chair of the Australian Guardianship and Administration Council.

#### **Lynda Troy (Clinical Psychologist and Clinical Neuropsychologist, Mind Professionals)**

Lynda Troy is a Clinical Psychologist and Clinical Neuropsychologist at Mind Professionals in Queensland. She worked for 10 years as Neuropsychologist for the Neurosciences Unit and Acute Block at Princess Alexandra Hospital, and was awarded a Menzies scholarship for her research in 1999. She has worked in the private sector since 1993, and has a special interest in Forensic Psychology, particularly in relation to the impact of neuropsychological functioning and psychopathology on offending patterns.

**Dr Scott Harden (Child, Adolescent and Adult Forensic Psychiatrist)**

Dr Scott Harden is a Child, Adolescent and Adult Forensic Psychiatrist. He divides his time between the Child and Youth Forensic Outreach Service as Senior Visiting Psychiatrist, his private practice with particular interests in ADHD and Anxiety, and his private medicolegal practice in the family, civil and criminal court jurisdictions.

**Russ Scott (Consultant Forensic Psychiatrist)**

Russ Scott is a full time consultant Forensic Psychiatrist to the Integrated Forensic Mental Health Service, Queensland. He is consultant to an inpatient team at High Secure Inpatient Services at The Park – Centre for Mental Health, and has sessions at the Community Forensic Outreach Services. He also has Prison Mental Health Service sessions at the Arthur Gorrie Correctional Centre.

Dr Scott spent 2007 at Forensicare, Victoria, where he was consultant to the acute female unit at Thomas Embling Hospital, and had sessions at the Sydney Road Community Forensic Mental Health Service, and at Ararat Prison.

**Barry Thomas (President of the Mental Health Review Tribunal)**

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Barry has been a barrister since 1976, and the President of the Mental Health Review Tribunal, Queensland from 2005. He practiced in Criminal Law, both prosecuting and defending, Administrative law and Workers Compensation matters, particularly for psychological injuries.

He is active in state and national associations concerned with Tribunal education and leadership.

Guy BurrIDGE  
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**Jay Hendricks (Qld Victim Support Service)**

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Jay is the Assistant Manager of the Queensland Health Victim Support Service (QHVSS), and is responsible for the operations and client service management of this state wide service. QHVSS provides support and information for victims of offenders who are diverted from the criminal justice system to the forensic mental health system. Prior to taking on this role Jay spent six years as a team leader for the Community Forensic Outreach Service a programme of the Integrated Forensic Mental Health Service, QLD. A registered nurse, Jay has worked in a variety of clinical and management roles in mental health, and drug and alcohol rehabilitation.

Jay's areas of interest include; mental health legislation and policy development, victimology, trauma and recovery, risk assessment, risk management, mental health education.