



The University of Sydney

Alumni

Medical Alumni Association and Faculty of Medicine

Dear Colleagues

We are pleased to invite you to participate in the inaugural Victor Coppelson Seminar (Tuesday, 12 May), the Victor Coppelson Symposium (Saturday, 23 May), and the Medical Alumni Association Dinner (Saturday, 23 May).

At the Seminar on 12 May Professor Ian Hickie, Professor of Psychiatry and Executive Director of the Faculty's Brain & Mind Research Institute, will speak on 'The mental health of nations'. This seminar will be held in the New Law School (next to the Fisher Library), Seminar Room 100, at 6pm, preceded by refreshments at 5.30pm (please note, not on 28 April as previously advertised).

To coincide with the exhibition 'Charles Darwin – voyages and ideas that shook the world', our initial Symposium and MAA Dinner will be held in the Australian National Maritime Museum at Darling Harbour on 23 May. The Symposium will give updates on clinical care of major health problems and on controversial screening tests. The program also includes a session on Darwin's voyage in the Pacific on the Beagle, and those of Assistant Surgeons Thomas Huxley and Joseph Hooker, as well as on Darwin's stay in Sydney.

As noted in Radius and MAA e-Newsletters, the Medical Alumni Association (MAA) and the Faculty of Medicine are keen to develop a program of regular monthly seminars and twice-yearly symposia for our alumni. After consulting with our alumni, we have had meetings with Chris Roberts (head of the Faculty's Office of Postgraduate Medical Education) to plan programs and speakers.

These functions offer an opportunity to update your knowledge, to learn about current research and other work within the Faculty, and to energise your social networks.

Please inform your friends and colleagues about these functions, complete the attached registration forms for the Symposium and Dinner on 23 May, and reply to Jacqueline Wells if you can come to Ian Hickie's seminar on 12 May. For other information, contact Diana Lovegrove (9114-1163) or Paul Lancaster (9660-0576).

We hope to see you soon at some of these functions.

Paul Lancaster
President, Medical Alumni Association (MAA)
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