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President's Report

Dear NAPSA members,

It is truly an honour to be writing my first ePlacebo report as your President for the 2017/18 term. I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself and express on behalf of my Board and soon to be Chairs, our excitement for the year ahead. With the best interests of all our members and NAPSA held close to our hearts, we look forward to building upon the amazing achievements of those before us.

With this being said I would personally like to extend a big thank you to the immediate past president, Shefali Parekh, and her Board for the hard work and dedication they have displayed in the last 12 months. Much to their success, NAPSA has come a long way to significantly increase the professional representation of pharmacy students within the industry and I look forward myself to working with an enthusiastic new team to ensure we continue to foster these relationships and success within the pharmacy profession.

The result of our Annual General Meeting weekend held at Monash University, Melbourne, not only saw the new Board being elected but also the announcement of the winners of Charity Cup, Best Branch and Honorary Life Members. NAPSA's Charity cup total was announced at our Annual Dinner and it is exciting to say we raised a phenomenal \$30,117 for Livin Australia. Congratulations to Top End Pharmacy Students' Association (TEPSA) in Darwin for winning the Charity Cup Award. A big congratulation also goes to Sydney University Pharmacy Association (SUPA) for being awarded Best Branch for their high level of commitment and passion to NAPSA over the last 12 months. I would also like to congratulate the iconic duo, John Quinn and David Paulmert, who were made Honorary Life Members.

The recent PSA17 conference held in Sydney allowed for NAPSA to have a strong presence and strengthen our relationships with our industry bodies. The conference provided a comprehensive educational program for its delegates and was inspiring. The program lead innovation in pharmacy outlining new roles and emerging opportunities, health service delivery and therapeutic updates. The Pharmacy Student of the Year Finals were also held at the conference, NAPSA would like to extend its congratulations to Jessica Bailey (Monash University, Victoria) for winning the national competition and Jessica Joseph (University of Technology Sydney, NSW) for winning the People's Choice Award. This competition is an amazing opportunity for students to show the industry how we are able to overcome challenging clinical situations and always dedicate our knowledge to our patients. NAPSA encourages increased participation in the PSOTY competition on a state level and looks forward to seeing the competition continue to grow each year. NAPSA would like to thank the PSA for allowing us to attend and contribute to such an exceptional conference.

President's Report

Continuing with theme of conferences, the Guild Pharmacy Connect Conference is only a few weeks away, held at the start of September in Sydney. This year the conference is free for students and interns! As such I highly recommend that students attend, especially if you are interested in pharmacy in a more business orientated way. It is also an amazing opportunity to network with those in the industry and support your fellow peers at the National Student Business Plan Competition Finals.

There has been considerable progress on some exciting new developments over the past month. NAPSA has been creating a new website, which will allow for an easier member sign up method and an increase in the usability and accessibility of our resources on our website. I encourage all members to utilise the resources available through our myNAPSA platform, as there are countless benefits providing you with the best to achieve your goals as future pharmacists.

Once again preparation for NAPSA Congress is in full swing, with applications for Sydney Congress 2018 already open. The week in January is an amazing way to start off the year, with a vast array of networking, educational and social events. With opportunities to make lifelong friends from all 18 universities across Australia and New Zealand, you will without a doubt walk away inspired and motivated for the future of our profession.

This is a very exciting time for the Board and myself as the election of the Chairs for the coming year will be occurring this week. This term we also have introduced a new role, the Alumni Chair, this position will be a valuable asset in working towards our goals, continuing our membership beyond our student years and providing networking opportunities for NAPSA members past and present. Good luck to all the applicants, I commend you on your passion for NAPSA and the industry and look forward to being able to collaborate as a team with our shared commitment, to create an even bigger impact in the pharmacy profession.

The next 12 months ahead as President will be an extremely exciting time, I look forward to a bright future for NAPSA and can't wait to see everyone face to face at Congress in January!



Sandra Minas
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Getting to Know GUAPS

GUAPS have been powering through another very busy trimester which has seen many social events, with plenty of study and placement as well! We kicked off Trimester 2 with our always popular BBQ and Beach Volleyball afternoon which brought together many of our Pharmacy and Pharmacology family for some free (and only slightly competitive) fun in the sun.

This year GUAPS has been working hard in collaboration several other Griffith University Health student societies to create a brand new social networking event for our students. We were thrilled that the Inaugural Allied Health Soiree, held on the 12th August at the Southport Yacht Club was a huge success with students from every possible health degree coming together and getting to know each other! GUAPS looks forward to this becoming a mainstay event for all Griffith University Health students!

On the calendar for the rest of the trimester GUAPS is looking forward to again participating in the Gold Coast Relay for Life with two teams already signed up and raring to go! Plans have been made for more education sessions and we are even hosting a Daffodil day stall at the Gold Coast University Hospital to help raise funds for the Cancer Council. To finish our academic year we look forward to hosting our Annual GUAPS Cocktail evening, this year to be held Poolside at the Hilton Surfers Paradise in mid October!

Until next time,

GUAPS Love
Xoxo



The Health Students Blood Challenge

Did you Know? 1 blood donation has the potential to save up to 3 lives!
From 24th July – 17th September NAPSA is taking part in the Australian Red Cross Health Students blood challenge. Want to get involved? Its super easy, just visit the link below for more information.

But hurry, the competition comes to a close on September 17th! So make your donation count!

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Winter in Townsville – JCUPSA Update

At the end of last semester, we had our AGM and elected new students into committee positions. We had a great turnout for the meeting and it was so brilliant to see so many people excited about participating. The promise of free pizza may have helped to draw a larger crowd of pharm students. All the new elected members are very excited about the upcoming year!

The new JCUPSA committee members have been quite busy straight out of the gate planning for our Pharmacy Ball on August 18. We are also planning for a pub crawl later in the semester. Another bigger event that is in the works is a pharmacy student mixer to encourage all the pharmacy students to interact and build friendships outside of their year level. There are lots of fun events that we are all looking forward to in the upcoming months.

Last weekend we had a sausage sizzle to welcome everyone back to second semester. It was super fun and had good involvement from everyone. A first aid and CPR course was run last weekend at JCU. There was a great mix of all the year levels and we even had a veterinary sciences student join us!

Despite some hiccups that were out of our control, we are feeling great about the Students Health Blood Challenge so far. It's been a bit tricky booking appointments in Townsville as they are doing renovations at the blood donation center, which means there have been less available appointments than normal. Currently we've had 12 donations so we're about a third of the way to our goal! Hopefully between the couple of group appointments that are booked for next week and our plasma donators, we can surpass our goals and can maintain our strong lead in the competition.



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Last season's winners



**Will Clayton
University of Sydney**



**Renae Lloyd
University of South Australia**

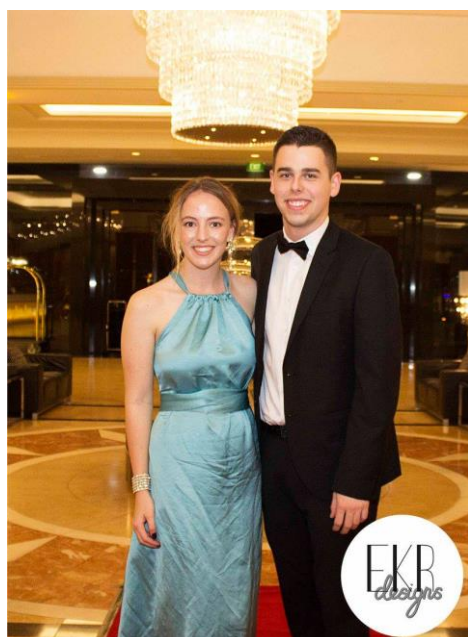


A Night to Remember with WAPSA

With over 200 guests in attendance, WAPSA's Annual Gala Ball for 2017 was certainly a night to remember! Held at the Duxton Hotel in Perth, the event opened with pre-event drinks as attendees gathering from both Curtin University and The University of Western Australia. Our "Hollywood" Theme was a huge success, all thanks to our amazing social co-chairs Christian Adams and Chloe Nisbet. They have gone above and beyond with all of WAPSA's social events this year and pulled out all the stops for the annual event.

This year marked the continued support for WAPSA's Excellence award. An award that recognises the achievements of students both academically and in regards to their engagement with university and the profession. We had outstanding nominees for the award and are pleased to announce that Louise Woodhams from Curtin University won the award.

With special thanks to our sponsors:
PSA WA, PDL, Pharmacy 777, and Professional Pharmacy Services and our photographer for the night Emily Richardson of EKR Designs.



2017 Charity Cup Winners

The National Australian Pharmacy Students' Association's (NAPSA) 2017 Charity Cup campaign drew to a close in late May after a successful two months of fundraising. NAPSA members supported LIVIN, a non-profit charity organisation founded to help eradicate the stigma surrounding mental illness.

This year's national fundraising target was eclipsed, with a total of \$30,117.81 raised. LIVIN representative, Luke Foster, said, "Over \$30,000 for the charity has left everyone with big smiles on their faces," at NAPSA's Annual Dinner in July, and conveyed his gratitude to each pharmacy student who participated in Charity Cup. Mr Foster announced the funds raised by NAPSA will be used to establish a new LIVIN website, which offers online support for those with mental illness.



2017 Charity Cup Winners

Outgoing NAPSA Pharmacy Awareness Chair, Vasilios Sotiropoulos, described how immensely proud he was of each branch's pharmacy awareness chairs' efforts to help reach NAPSA's fundraising goal. Mr Sotiropoulos said " It's humbling to work with incredible people to reach a common goal of addressing the issue of mental health, and make the impact that we do nationwide ."

Top End Pharmacy Students' Association (TEPSA) in Darwin was announced as the overall winner of Charity Cup 2017 with the highest donation per member value of \$17.80. Western Australian Pharmacy Students' Association (WAPSA) was presented with the innovation award for their unique events, including a Harry Potter-themed quiz night. The biggest contributions made this year were by Sydney University Pharmacy Students (SUPA) with \$6,822.45 and WAPSA with \$6,107.97.

NAPSA looks forward to continuing their annual Charity Cup campaign in 2018.



For more information on LIVIN and all the amazing things they achieve, visit:

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/livinorg/>

Website: <https://livin.org.au>

Or contact your local branch

Travelling with SAPSA

It's been busy for SAPSA in the past few months. Semester two has kicked off smoothly with our Pharmacy Awareness Day BBQ supported by National Pharmacies, the SA/NT PSA branch and also the Red Cross Blood Services. With the Health Students Blood Challenge this year SAPSA has teamed up with our mates at the Red Cross Blood Service in the Regent Arcade (major centre in the Adelaide CBD) to boost our donation rates and also start the conversation about blood donations. We have been lucky enough to have a Community Relations Officer from the Australian Red Cross come talk to each year level about the process of blood donation and why it's so important. They attended our Pharmacy Awareness Day BBQ and will also be at SAPSA Pharmacy Profession Awareness Day (PPAD).

From the success of SAPSA PPAD last year it is now an annual event to give our student members the exposure to the profession early on in their degree. This will be held on the 25th of August with attendance from industry professions such as the PSA, the Guild, AACP, SHPA, Aspen Pharmacare, PDL as well as allied health professions including Adelaide PHN, SA Dental, Optometry SA and Palliative Care SA just to name a few. We will be sure to keep you posted on how the event goes!

Another exciting opportunity for some of our SAPSA members is the chance to study their final Pharmacy Practice course over at University of South Australia's sister university in Malaysia. "In our fourth year of pharmacy we were offered the opportunity to participate in a Summer Programme (Pharmacy Practices in Malaysia) at Taylor's University in Malaysia. All program participants received credit for their Issues in Contemporary Pharmacy Practices course. The Pharmacy Practices in Malaysia is a 2 week study tour involving educational lectures, workshops, hospital field and pharmaceutical industry visits which allowed students to experience and understand the pharmacy system in Malaysia. Part of the experience included living on campus and enjoying everything the university has to offer. There was plenty of free time to immerse ourselves in culture, food and shopping." - Hollie Tran, 4th Year Pharmacy Student at the University of South Australia (and proud SAPSA member).

Travelling with SAPSA

Lastly I would like to invite all NAPSA members to attend our 2017 SAPSA Guild Pharmacy Ball at the majestic Adelaide Town Hall on the 15th of September. If you would like to attend we have a sweet deal for our interstate friends so feel free to message us through Facebook or treasurer.sapsa@gmail.com and we can definitely sort something out. We'd love to see you there!

xoxo SAPSA love

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NAPSA Congress Sydney 2018

In January 2018, Sydney will play host to 350 pharmacy students to celebrate what has become known as a premier event on the Pharmacy Student Calendar! From 23rd-29th January, the National Australian Pharmacy Students' Association, in conjunction with Sydney University Pharmacy Association (SUPA) will play host to NAPSA Congress 2018.

Please take the time to view the promotional video linked below:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=30N2mwbRQq8>



For more information on how to secure your ticket to NAPSA Congress 2018:

Visit: <http://www.napsa.org.au>

Email: congress@napsa.org.au

Or: Contact your local branch.

UoNAPS Scoring Touchdowns

UoNAPS have had a very busy 2 months, with our outgoing committee preparing themselves for a smooth handover to our soon-to-be-elected new board we've managed to have a little bit of fun throughout the chaos. Last month, UoNAPS were invited to participate in Newcastle University's infamous Interfaculty Cup for the first time in history, entering 3 teams in Netball, Touch Football and Soccer against teams in the faculties of Medicine, Business/Commerce, Law and Physiotherapy.

There were low expectations for our UoNAPS athletes from the other faculty's as Pharmacists don't exactly scream 'athletes', however we managed to leave them grasping for air as 2 out of our 3 teams made it to the grade final where it was time to battle it out. It was Pharmacy vs. Medicine in a fight to distinguish the superior health degree.

We're sad to say that we lost to the Medicine faculty by 1 point, but it's safe to say our UoNAPS athletes are feeling pretty good about themselves now. The underdogs of the day prevailed, and it's safe to say that next year, hopefully, we can claim that trophy!

Until next time,

Abigail Palibino
UoNAPS NAPSA Liaison



The Guild – Intern Training Program

Pharmacy students preparing for graduation can now enrol in the Pharmacy Guild of Australia 2018 National Intern Training Program.

The Guild Intern Training Program offers challenging clinical content, work ready outcomes, ongoing exam support and free access to industry events including APP on the Gold Coast and Pharmacy Connect in Sydney.

Pharmacy Guild of Australia National Intern Training Program Manager, Tim Roberts said that the program prepares interns for their future in pharmacy by providing the skills necessary to succeed in the industry.

“Our course content focuses on the application of clinical skills - while also preparing interns for real world scenarios. Guild interns enter the workforce ready to provide effective primary healthcare and efficient delivery of medicines, medication management and quality health outcomes,” he said. Mr Roberts said that interns benefit from the Guild’s resources and knowledge of professional programs developed under the 6CPA.

“Having access to professional practice programs helps reinforce theoretical knowledge and allows interns to be exposed to the expanding roles available to pharmacists. “The program’s two face-to-face workshops help to facilitate the application of this knowledge and aid interns in preparing for their final examinations,” he said. Guild Interns also benefit from ongoing support from clinical tutors throughout their intern year.

Enrolments in the Guild ITP are now open across all states and territories in Australia. To enrol in the program, visit www.internpharmacist.com.au, or to learn more email info@internpharmacist.com.au or call 1300 110 161 to speak with a tutor.

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PSA's Upcoming Education Events

September 2017

National

05 Medication Safety in Pregnancy and Breastfeeding – NATIONAL WEBINAR

Australian Capital Territory

16 Immunisation Training Program for Pharmacists – PSA National Office

27 BTG: GOPD Treatment and Management – PSA National Office

New South Wales

05 Immunisation Training – North Sydney

06 CPD Plan Workshop – Parramatta

10 Clinical Update – Armidale

11 BTG – Medication Safety in Pregnancy – Woollahra

12 BTG – Medication Safety in Pregnancy – Liverpool

13 BTG – Medication Safety in Pregnancy – Bankstown

16 Mental Health First Aid – Blacktown

17 Mental Health First Aid – Blacktown

18 BTG – Medication Safety in Pregnancy – Blue Mountains

19 BTG – Medication Safety in Pregnancy – Kogarah

20 BTG – Medication Safety in Pregnancy – Concord

24 Clinical Update – Mudgee

26 BTG – Medication Safety in Pregnancy – Sydney North

27 BTG – Medication Safety in Pregnancy – Parramatta

Queensland

05 Medication Safety in Pregnancy and Breastfeeding – University of Queensland PACE Building

06 Immunisation Training Program – University of Queensland PACE Building

09 Provide CPR – University of Queensland PACE Building

PSA's Upcoming Education Events

South Australia

26 Workshop: Dementia Friendly Pharmacy Toolkit – PSA SA Office

Victoria

05 Monthly Lecture: Medication Safety in Pregnancy and Breastfeeding – Parkville Regional Satellite Centres

11 CPD Planning Tool Workshop – Online WEBINAR

13 Provide First Aid – Parkville

17 Medicines Update 2017 @ Benalla – Michael Long Education Centre

20 CPD Planning tool workshop – Cossar Hall Tutorial Rooms

21 CPD Planning Tool Workshop – Cossar Hall Tutorial Rooms

24 Victorian Pharmacist Immunisation Training Program – PSA Boardroom

25 APSIG Clinical Meeting – Cossar Hall Tutorial Room

27 CPD Planning Tool Workshop – Online WEBINAR

Tasmania

06 Career Speed Networking – University of Tasmania

Western Australia

26 Codeine Rescheduling – The Boulevard Centre

PSA's Upcoming Education Events

October 2017

New South Wales

- 10 BTG – Medication Safety in Pregnancy – Newcastle
- 11 BTG – Medication Safety in Pregnancy – Wagga Wagga
- 15 Clinical Update – Byron Bay
- 17 BTG – Medication Safety in Pregnancy – Tamworth
- 17 BTG – Medication Safety in Pregnancy – Orange
- 18 BTG – Medication Safety in Pregnancy – Wollongong
- 18 BTG – Medication Safety in Pregnancy – Bateman's Bay
- 21 Immunisation Training – Parramatta
- 22 Provide CPR – Parramatta
- 22 Provide First Aid – Parramatta
- 24 BTG – Medication Safety in Pregnancy – Central Coast
- 25 BTG – Medication Safety in Pregnancy – Ballina
- 29 Clinical Update - Nowra

Queensland

- 11 Immunisation Training Program – University of Queensland PACE Building
- 25 Immunisation Training Program – University of Queensland PACE Building

South Australia

- 14 Mental Health First Aid – PSA SA Office

Tasmania

- 14 Tasmanian Pharmacist Awards and Dinner 2017 – Josef Chromy Wines
- 22 First Aid Training/CPR – Ulverstone Surf Life Saving Tasmania
- 29 First Aid Training/CPR – Hobart Surf Life Saving Tasmania
- 29 First Aid Training/CPR – Launceston PCYC

Victoria

- 16 Part 2 Victorian Pharmacy Pharmacotherapy Training Program – Online WEBINAR