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# FRAME Tasmania 2023

## Expanding Rural Training

## Supporting Supervisors and Rural Research: joining up the dots

FRAME would like to invite delegates coming to Australia for WONCA to join us on the North West Coast of Tasmania.

**17 AND 18 OCTOBER 2023**

PARANAPLE CONVENTION CENTRE  
137 Rooke Street, Devonport, Tasmania

The Federation of Rural Australian Medical Educators (FRAME) is the peak body representing Australian Rural Clinical Schools (RCS) and Post-Graduate Regional Training Hubs.

FRAME was established in 2003 to advance training in rural and remote Australia. Rural Clinical Schools are funded by the Australian Government through the RHMT Grant.

- **Monday 16 October: Pre-FRAME Southern Regional Training Hub Alliance Meeting**

*For members of the Southern Regional Training Hub Alliance*

- **Monday 16 October: Manager's Workshop for RCS Managers**

- **Monday 16 October: Pre-FRAME visit to the Rural Clinical School in Burnie and Mersey**

*Delegates who arrive early are welcome to visit the Rural Clinical School Tasmania on Monday 16th, meet with our students and staff, and enjoy a barbeque together. We will also pay a visit to penguins on the foreshore.*

- **Tuesday 17 October & Wednesday 18 October: FRAME Conference, Devonport, with Leading National and International Speakers focussing on supervision and research in rural areas.**

**Professor Paul Worley**

*Executive Director Clinical Innovation  
Riverlands, Inaugural National Rural  
Health Commissioner for Australia*

**Professor Lizzi Shires**

*Director of the Rural Clinical School  
Tasmania, Director of Rural Pathways for  
Tasmania.*

**Professor Roger Strasser**

*Founding Dean and CEO of Northern Ontario  
School of Medicine 2002 – 2019, Interim Dean  
of Simon Fraser University Medical School,  
Professor of Rural Health at University of  
Waikato, New Zealand*

**Professor Lucie Walters**

*Director of Adelaide Rural Clinical School*

**Associate Professor Andrew Kirke**

*Director of the Rural Clinical School of  
Western Australia*

**Professor Judi Walker**

*Professor of Rural Health Research at  
University of Tasmania,  
Inaugural Director of the Rural Clinical  
School Tasmania*

International visitors are invited to submit a 3 minute 3 slide presentation containing 1 slide about your institution, and 1-2 slides on supporting rural clinical supervisors: challenges and solutions, and expanding rural clinical placements. Please submit via email to [rcs.ce@utas.edu.au](mailto:rcs.ce@utas.edu.au) by October 10, 2023 (10.10.23).

- **Wednesday 18 October afternoon: a bus to Hobart is available, arriving in time to attend RMA23. Please add a bus ticket to your order to secure your spot.**

# FRAME Conference - NW Tasmania 2023

## Come early to make the most of your time in Tasmania

Make the most of your time on the North West coast and spend the weekend here. Visit Cradle Mountain, enjoy the tasting trail and see our beautiful beaches (and penguins!)

Stay in one of the amazing hotels or lodges at Cradle Mountain, or take a day trip to see some other beautiful or tasty options available all over the North West.

Let us know if you'd like to meet other delegates, or walk on some of Tasmania's iconic tracks. We will happily provide you with details and recommendations for the best experiences to enjoy.

Due to limited public transport options, we recommend you book a car - please do this early due to limited numbers since the pandemic.

## paranple convention centre

Parking is available at the multi-level car park behind the convention centre.

paranple convention centre has wheelchair accessible toilets, ramps and lifts throughout our venue, including wheelchair friendly access from the car park, and a parents' room in the convention centre.

## Accommodation

A special Conference rate of \$205/night room only has been secured at the nearby Novotel Devonport, just two minutes walk from the paranple centre. Book your room here:

<https://www.idem.events/r/federation-of-rural-australian-medical-educators-frame>

Other accommodation options include:

- Gateway Hotel – 5 minute walk
- Mersey Bank Apartments – 2 minute walk
- Mersey Bluff Caravan Park – 5 minute drive

## Transport

- Both Qantas and Rex fly Melbourne to Devonport- which is 15 minutes drive from the venue.
- Northern Tasmania is not blessed with many public transport options.
- We recommend flying in and out of Devonport and then get a taxi to the hotel – hopefully there will be other conference goers and you can share the taxi (book your taxi on the plane). Otherwise, hire cars are available, but book early.

• If you are going onto the RMA conference, we are organising a bus so you can fly into Devonport and out of Hobart. Please see ticket add-ons on Eventbrite.

• Devonport to Melbourne flights leave at midday, 3.30pm, 5.00pm and 6.40pm.

• Launceston has a greater option of flights but is 1 ½ hours away from Devonport.

***The Rural Clinical School Tasmania look forward to hosting you on the North West Coast of Tasmania.***

Scan the QR Code or click here to **BOOK NOW**

If you have any questions, please contact the Rural Clinical School Tasmania at [rsc.ce@utas.edu.au](mailto:rsc.ce@utas.edu.au)





# Pre-Conference Tour: Monday, 16th October

## Pre-FRAME visit to the Rural Clinical School in Burnie

The Tasmanian Rural Clinical School has a split campus at Mersey, Burnie and in practices across the coast. Delegates who arrive early are welcome to come and visit the Mersey Community Hospital, Cradle Coast Campus (University of Tasmania), Burnie Rural Clinical School and meet with our students and staff.

We will provide transport from Devonport to Burnie and back via private bus.

- 3.00pm: Depart Devonport paranalpe centre for Mersey via Bluff
- 3.30pm: Afternoon tea at Mersey Community Hospital  
*Introduction to the north west coast of Tasmania: geography, socio-economy, RCS intake profile*
- 4.00pm: *Depart Mersey toward Burnie*
- 4.30pm: Aboriginal Fish Traps - Goat Island
- 4.00pm: *Depart Goat Island toward Burnie*
- 5.45pm: Tour of Cradle Coast Campus Field Building - award winning design on the beach
- 6.15pm: *Depart Cradle Coast*
- 6.30pm: Fifth year medical student Crystelle Vanderplas: Why Medical Students Must Experience Rural Medicine  
*Followed by Tour of RCS Tasmania Facilities and hospitals*
- 7.00pm: BBQ at the RCS
- 8.00pm: Depart RCS
- 8.30pm: Visit the Lillico Strait penguin viewing platform
- 9.00pm: Return to Novotel hotel in Devonport



## Tuesday, 17th October

- 7.30am: Breakfast at paranapple conference centre: arrival and registration
- 8.30am: Welcome and Acknowledgement of Country  
**Associate Professor Anthea Dallas**  
*Director Medicine Program University of Tasmania*
- 8.50am: Overview of the Programme and Goals for this FRAME Conference  
**Professor Lizzi Shires**  
*Director of the Rural Clinical School Tasmania  
Director of Rural Pathways for Tasmania*
- 9.00am: History of Rural Clinical Schools  
**Professor Judi Walker**  
*Professor of Rural Health Research at University of Tasmania,  
Inaugural Director of the Rural Clinical School Tasmania*
- 9.15am: International Perspective of Rural Training Pathways and Outcomes  
**Professor Roger Strasser**  
*Founding Dean and CEO of the Northern Ontario School of Medicine 2002 – 2019,  
Interim Dean of Simon Fraser University Medical School,  
Professor of Rural Health at the University of Waikato, New Zealand*
- 9.50am: RACE Journey and Outcomes: Starting the RACE in the Riverlands  
(Riverland Academy of Clinical Excellence)  
**Professor Paul Worley**  
*Executive Director Clinical Innovation Riverlands,  
Inaugural National Rural Health Commissioner for Australia*
- 10.25am: National to Local: Joining up the Dots  
Enhancing training and supervision in a rural town to tackle a recruitment crisis:  
Using our Single Employment Model to expand capacity  
**Professor Lizzi Shires**  
*Director of the Rural Clinical School Tasmania,  
Director of Rural Pathways for Tasmania*
- 10.45am: Morning tea



# Tuesday, 17th October

- 11.15am: Lessons from the RCS: Expanding rural placements, supporting supervisors and research support by Rural Clinical Schools: Initiatives to share  
3-minute, 3-slide presentations
- 12.30pm: Commonwealth Perspective – Initiatives and Plans: Research Outcomes from ‘Why do junior doctors want (or not want) to be GPs’  
**Douglas Hay**  
*Director, Professional Entry and Rural Training, Australian Department of Health, Health Training Branch*
- 1.00pm: Lunch and walk along the riverfront - *weather permitting*
- 2.00pm: Hubs - Parallel Session - Torquay Room
- 2.00pm: **Workshop: expanding supervision - addressing the barriers - Mersey Room**  
1. Supporting Supervisors - educational initiatives for supervisors and staff  
2. Supporting placements - infrastructure initiatives  
3. Innovative community-based placements  
4. Developing placements without a medical supervisor. Remote supervision models, MD supervision  
5. Developing placements to meet health needs  
6. Preventing burnout in rural supervisors
- 3.00pm: Afternoon Tea
- 3.30pm: **Workshop: Group Feedback: 10 minutes each group**
- 4.30pm: **Evaluation of Murray Darling Medical School Network and Regional Training Hubs: Overview of Approach**  
**Dr. Kristine Battye**  
*Director KBC Australia*
- 4.45pm: **End Day 1 FRAME Conference**
- 6.00pm: Conference dinner at paranapple centre, Devonport

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## Wednesday, 18th October

- 7.15am: Breakfast – paranapple centre - Formby Room  
Managers' meeting – paranapple centre - Mersey Room  
Directors' meeting – paranapple centre - Torquay Room
- 9.00am: Introduction to Rural Research Capacity Building - Panel Discussion  
**Associate Professor Andrew Kirke**  
*Director of the Rural Clinical School of Western Australia*
- 9.10am: The significance of RCS' role in research  
**Professor Jenny May**  
*Betty Fyffe Chair of Rural Health,  
Director of University of Newcastle Department of Rural Health*
- 9.20am: Significance of RCS and Hubs in research impact  
ZOOM  
**Associate Professor Matthew McGrail**  
*Head Regional Training Hub Research, Rural Clinical School University of Queensland*
- 9.50am: Including students in research  
**Dr. Zelda Doyle**  
*Rural Epidemiologist at University of Notre Dame Australia*
- 10.10am: Research making a difference in Remote Australia  
ZOOM  
**Dr. Emma Griffiths**  
*Medical Coordinator, Rural Clinical School Western Australia,  
KRS Renal GP, KAMS*



# Wednesday, 18th October

10.30am: Panel discussion – Barriers and Enablers to Rural Research

**Associate Professor Andrew Kirke**

*Director of the Rural Clinical School of Western Australia*

10.50am: Morning Tea

11.20am: Business meetings: RCS and Hubs - Mersey Room

**FRAME Chair Professor Lucie Walters**

*Director of Adelaide Rural Clinical School*

11.20am: Round table workshop - rural research: Non-FRAME members - Torquay Room

**Professor Judi Walker**

*Professor of Rural Health Research at University of Tasmania,  
Inaugural Director of the Rural Clinical School Tasmania*

12.30pm: Reflective Plenary

**Professor Ruth Stewart**

*National Rural Health Commissioner*

1.00pm: Lunch

1.30pm: Bus leaves for Hobart: RMA23

5.30pm: Arrive Hobart (via Campbell Town), drop off at Grand Chancellor Hotel





# Partners' Programme

**Tuesday 17th, 9.30am:** Attend a guided tour of the Devonport Regional Art Gallery and the Maritime Museum. Meet at paranapple centre, 9am.

**Tuesday afternoon:** If you're feeling adventurous, why not hire a bike in nearby town Latrobe and spend the afternoon riding along the North West Coast's spectacular new bike path? Click [HERE](#) for bikes.

If you've hired a car, treat yourself to a tasting trail of the North West. Sample some chocolates at Anvers, a paddle of ciders at Spreyton Cider Co. or a glass of wine at picturesque Ghost Rock.

**Wednesday 18th, 9am:** meet at paranapple for a walking tour to the Devonport Bluff along our coastal path. We'll climb to the iconic lighthouse and then treat ourselves to coffee at Drift Cafe.

**Wednesday 18th, 1.30pm:** Bus departs for Hobart

For more ideas, please visit  
<https://www.discovertasmania.com.au> or  
<https://www.visitdevonport.com.au>

## Partners with Prams

**Tuesday 17th**

If you've brought your child/ren along with you, feel free to join in the following activities. Please note that you will pay as you go.

**9.30am:** take a wander along the path from paranapple convention centre to the Bluff - along the way you will find delicious coffee at waterfront cafes Marion Storm or Drift, and your kids will love the playgrounds.

**11.00am:** [Maritime Museum](#) visit. The museum is found in the same building as Marion Storm Cafe.

Lunch at Marion Storm

**2pm:** Pandemonium Amusement Centre

**Wednesday 18th**

**10.30am:** Storytime @ Devonport Library. This is a free event but please book [HERE](#).

