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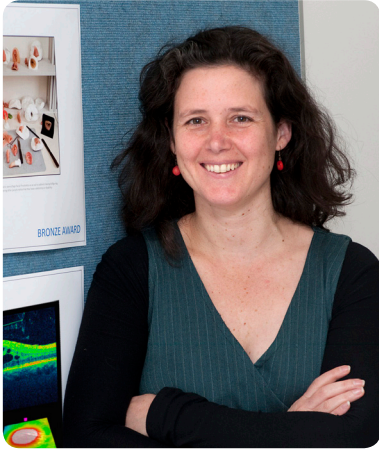
AIMBI eNetwork Editor: Mimi Kersting

Apologies for the late publication of eNetwork July Edition, this has been a busy time with the transfer of National Secretary & eNetwork editor roles.

In the future Julie Murray & I will be working together to produce this publication, so please any submissions and ideas welcome!



## President's Report



I wish to extend my congratulations to our past president Michael Shapter who is now a Doctor. Dr Shapter successfully completed his PhD earlier this year; the title of his thesis is "A Re-assessment of the Veracity of Photographs".

"Evolving Bioscience Imaging" AIMBI Biennial Conference will be held 18-21st August 2011 in the beautiful location of Coolangatta. AIMBI QLD, who are hosting the event, are making great progress in organising this event. Don't forget to add this conference in your 2011 diary, start thinking about what you would can present or enter into the Awards!

More exciting news is that AIMBI NSW in conjunction with Westmead kids Hospital have announced they are holding a mini conference in October 2010, "Recent Advances in Medical Photography". John Yates has emailed a call for papers. I encourage you to let him know any expressions of interest in either presenting or attending. More details are available on the website.

AIMBI members have filled out the Professional Registration Survey & Richard Smallwood has scheduled a teleconference to discuss the results and make recommendations on the future direction of this committee. Richard will tell us more latter.

Mimi Kersting has created the AIMBI Awards 2009 acrobat portfolio & which is now published on the AIMBI website. I encourage you to have a look and see our members Award winning works.

PMA Melbourne 2010 was a great success, conference highlights included the AIMBI Awards 2009 exhibition located in the exhibition hall at the "Digital Life Photo Gallery" and the I.P.T. member's exhibition located at Michael's Camera Museum. Gale Spring & Daniell Edwards put together a very interesting program for PIEA/IPT/AIMBI members. The medical & scientific content was very diverse from High speed imaging to Digital Infra red photography: recovering tattoos from mummified remains. I enjoyed seeing those of you who could attend, it was an information & entertainment filled weekend. John Yates and I are compiling a conference report that will be published on the AIMBI website soon. Thank you to Gale & Danielle for another great conference!

I would like to thank Vicki Adams for all her amazing hard work as AIMBI National Secretary. She has excelled at keeping AIMBI running in an efficient manner and has been a great asset to the organisation. We are lucky that Vicki will continue as a National Council representative and chair the R&E Board. I would like to welcome our new National Secretary Mimi Kersting and thank her for accepting this important role.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Amanda Rebbechi".

Amanda Rebbechi. AIMBI President

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## 2010 AIMBI National Council Committee

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## National Council teleconference minutes 21.6.2010

Open/Welcome	Amanda Rebbechi
Attendance	Amanda Rebbechi (Chair), Mimi Kersting (QLD), Peter Merry (QLD), Angela Chappell (SA), Pam Dawes (NSW), Richard Smallwood (VIC), Lisa Breayley (VIC)
Apologies	John Baird, Julie Murray, Vicki Adams, Alan Hoare
Minutes from last meeting	Previous Minutes – 23rd February 2010 Motion: The minutes be accepted as a true & accurate record of the meeting. Moved:P Merry Seconded:R Smallwood Accepted / Passed
Business arising from previous minutes	Calligraphy for all certificates up to date – Pam Dawes AIMBI Medical Photography survey done. AIMBI Exhibition at PMA was a success.
Reports	President's Report - Amanda Rebbechi (please see President's Report on page 2) Moved: R Smallwood, Seconded: M Kersting  Treasurer's Report - Pam Dawes <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The totals are \$6,590.82 in the Community Access Account, \$4,117.61 in the Maxi Direct Account \$5,503.59 QLD \$2,772.88 VIC \$6,051.08 NSW</li><li>• The figures above are not final.</li><li>• Capitations haven't been paid to the states yet.</li></ul> Moved: P Dawes, Seconded: M Kersting  Secretary's Report – Mimi Kersting <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, Aug 16</li><li>• M Kersting will send a subscription renewal letter to all members with a target date of July 1, 2010.</li><li>• Correspondence was received by Vicki Adams and A. Rebbechi on Subscription renewals and current AIMBI forms.</li></ul> Moved: P Merry, Seconded: M Kersting  Registrar's Report - Angela Chappell <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Apologies for missing last meeting</li><li>• M Kersting will be receiving an up-to-date mailing list of AIMBI members.</li><li>• AIMBI has 59 paid members plus nine life members making a total of 68 members.</li><li>• Notice for fees will be sent by M Kersting, target date: July 1st.</li></ul> Renewal fee was voted to be \$90.00 for Practising and Affiliate members for 2010-2011. Moved: A Chappell, Seconded: P Dawes  R&E Board Report – Vicki Adams <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No report submitted</li></ul>

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JBC / Australian Editor Report – Julie Murray

- No report submitted

Website Report - Peter Merry

- AIMBI PDF portfolio now on AIMBI website.
  - Call to members for suggestions on future website functionality, as the AIMBI site needs an overhaul.
  - Renewed Domain name [www.aimbi.org.au](http://www.aimbi.org.au) with netregistry until 1/7/1012
- Domain Registration due has been paid by Amanda and to be reimbursed by Treasurer.
- Updated Pages:
    - o Homepage – Added Conference Events Links
    - o News Page
  - 2009 News to archived page
  - Added IMI Affiliate Award and PMA Australia presents “Digital Life Expo” stories
    - o Membership Page – Added new Application Form and Application Information info
    - o Meetings Page – PMA & Recent Advances in Medical Photography Conference info, various local group meeting details posted and updated
    - o Journals Page – Latest eNetwork (Dec 09) uploaded
    - o Contacts Page– updated with changes from local groups
  - There has been approx 8 positions vacant posted on the new Employment Opportunities page.
  - John Baird’s contact Zolton suggested we contact Charlie Pohl from ConductHQ in Melbourne about getting the online database up and running. I have contacted Charlie and briefly discussed with him what we were seeking to do. I have suggested if he could provide quotes for just setting up the database/members only area. Also another for a complete site redesign with a Content Management System (CMS) that would provide us with greater functionality and allow approved AIMBI members to updated content as well. He has advised that the 1st stage is for them to be given a brief of the functionality we are wanting from the database/members only area and also we get them to do a review of our site and assess what cost would be involved and report back to us. This assessment may cost between \$250 - \$450 so I recommend we proceed to this stage.
  - Once we know who can do the online database/backend I will arrange with Adam to take over control of Domain Admin & Hosting Admin from him.
- Moved: P. Merry, Seconded: A. Rebbechi

Archivist Report – Paul DeSensi

- No report submitted

### Correspondence Incoming

- Jill Fell, IMI Communications lead, 25th February 2010
- Mark Maio, Digital Imaging Institute, 12 March 2010
- Michael Shapter, PhD announcement 12 May 2010

### Outgoing

- Jill Fell, IMI collaboration letter 25th February 2010
- National Council Representatives review new membership application forms 15th March 2010
- All members emailed Professional Registration Survey 22nd March
- All members emailed IMI affiliate award 26 March 2010
- All members emailed PMA Australia Digital Life Expo 31 March 2010
- All members emailed PMA boot camp 9th April 2010
- All members emailed Macro Photography workshops 13th April 2010
- All members emailed PMA Australia Digital expo invite 20th April 2010
- All members emailed PMA Expo badges free 27th April 2010
- All members emailed Adobe e-Seminars Schedule for May- 28th April 2010
- All members emailed invite to enter APPA Awards 28th April 2010
- All members emailed reminder invite & registration details to PMA / AIMBI / PIEA / IPT Melbourne Conference 4th May 2010
- All members emailed PMA Toughest Pro Photography Challenge 27th May 2010
- All members emailed last minute reminder AIMBI PMA conference 1st June 2010

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**Other business arising** Richard Smallwood – he reported about the Professional Registration committee  
Peter Merry - QLD will be proposing Brian Stewart to become an HLM  
NSW AIMBI conference 15-16th October 2010  
QLD AIMBI conference 18- 21st August 2011

**Next meeting** 16th August 2010 – 6:30pm VIC, NSW, QLD, 6:30pm SA

**Meeting close** 7:20pm

**Actions** All NC reps to organise a video conference facilities for AGM 16th August  
All NC reps to organise local AGM before National AGM,  
All NC reps to ensure their reports are prepared for the National AGM

- President
- Registrar
- Website
- Treasurer
- R&E Board
- Archivist
- Secretary
- Journal Editor
- Each local group – VIC, NSW, SA & QLD

Mimi Kersting

- Send out call for members to renew subscriptions 1st July 2010
- Research AMA members section & submit a list to Peter Merry
- Liaise with NC reps to ensure video links are possible for 16th
- Send out a call for the AGM giving members 30 days notice.
- Create graphics for new website
- Send Peter Merry information about functions of Association of Medical Illustrators (USA) site

Peter Merry

- Organise the AIMBI website to be surveyed to assess how to improve its usability for public & members
- Post the 2010 PMA Conference Report once received from Amanda Rebbechi and John Yeats

Pam Dawes

- Forward local group capitation money to appropriate accounts
- Organise National Secretary & President to be signatories to National Accounts
- To collate all local group accounts & NC accounts
- Find an auditor & obtain quote for AIMBI accounts to be audited
- Remind NC members to send in receipts

Amanda Rebbechi

- Research IMI members section for Peter
- Write report with John Yeats on 2010 PMA Conference
- Rewrite the bylaws for "AIMBI awards" to replace the AIMBI exhibition bylaws

Lisa Breayley

- Continue researching AIMBI inc / registration possibilities
- Find out if possible to change registered states & costs

Richard Smallwood

- Collate Prof Registration Survey results
- Investigate requirements of government to apply for registration
- Investigate possibilities of AIMBI & RMIT designing a correspondence qualification for Medical Illustrators.

Angela Chappell

- Report to Amanda Rebbechi and Madeleine: membership numbers/life members

ALL

- Send Mimi websites to serve as inspiration for the new website



## Conference Notices

### Recent Advances in Medical Photography

The Children's Hospital at Westmead in association with The Australian Institute of Medical and Biological Illustration (AIMBI) will be host to a conference entitled "Recent Advances in Medical Photography" October 15th and 16th this year.

Topics and presentations include the following:

- Ultra violet and infra red photography (a discussion of light sources and digital SLR conversions and medical applications)
- Cataract Photography
- Virtual Reality (3 dimensional) still photography
- Dental photography – a clinician's perspective
- Issues facing photography in the Antarctic
- Non destructive image enhancement using Photoshop layers
- Recent advances in light shaping tools and lighting accessories (workshop)
- Digital workflow systems
- 3D video and a medical application
- Cleft palate photography – a clinician's perspective
- Photoshop CS5 – new features
- Photomicroscopy

This conference will be of great benefit to anyone involved in biomedical and scientific photography.

Please put aside these 2 days so that you will not be missing out in participating in this up to date information exchange.

There is still time for you offer to contribute a presentation as there are a small number of session times still remaining.

A programme will be circulated in a short time with cost, registration details and a schedule of presentations.

There will be two photographic competitions held in conjunction with this conference. Please consider your submissions. Excellent prizes will be awarded.

For further details please contact John Yeats (0414 533 438 or email: [john@johnyeats.com](mailto:john@johnyeats.com)) or visit the AIMBI website: [www.aimbi.org.au](http://www.aimbi.org.au)

## Evolving Bioscience Imaging: Biennial AIMBI Conference 2011



### Skill-building and professional networking

This conference will bring together photographers, illustrators, videographers, 3D artists and web designers who work in the bio-medical arena.

The focus will be not only on the excellence in the traditional tools of our trade but look at innovative approaches. There will also be a sessions on great work flows to deliver more efficient and secure services to our clients.

The conference will bring together AIMBI members from all over Australia and international speakers to present in an exciting forum the exchange of ideas and expertise.

### Convenient international location

The venue for the meeting is the Greenmount Beach Resort, Coolangatta, Gold Coast. Greenmount hotel is right on the beautiful, safe Coolangatta Beach. Most rooms have beach or river views.

Interstate and international travellers will be delighted to discover that the Coolangatta Airport offers very affordable airfares from all major Australian cities and many international airports.

Join us for invigorating lectures, a great networking environment, and some fun in the sun!

For information on submitting papers and registration: [www.aimbi2011.net](http://www.aimbi2011.net)



## Special Meeting Report

by Mimi Kersting

May 2010 AIMBI QLD Special Meeting  
Queensland Museum, South Bank, Brisbane



Host: Geoff Thompson, Collection Manager, Entomology

On May 13, Geoff Thompson, Collection Manager of the Entomology Department gave a guided tour of a special museum exhibition and of his department.

The group met in front of the exhibition "The Butterfly Man of Kuranda", a special exhibition of the collection of Frederick Parkhurst Dodd, an avid insect collector who was active from 1917 to 1937 and his son Alan who added cases of New Guinea butterflies in the 1950s and 1960s.

Geoff guided the group through beautifully arranged butterflies, moths, beetles and exotic insects, in their original cases. One exceptional display was a message to Dodd had put together, using only insects that spelled out a Longfellow poem from a book that friends had given him (the signature was made up

completely of beetles!). Also of interest was Geoff's story about an accident that caused the glass on some of the cases to break, resulting in some delicate repair work on the specimens with forceps, Japanese tissue, syringes, brushes and watercolour.

After viewing the exhibition, Geoff escorted the group to the Entomology Collection Area, where he showed his excellent pen-and-ink entomological illustrations, as well as his etchings. His illustrations have appeared in both national and international publications. One of the members recognised an illustration of a beetle that appeared in a GNSI Newsletter, and Geoff showed the group the original beetle in a drawer in the insect collection. He also showed the group a collection of historic entomological texts featuring hand-painted lithographs – the earliest text was from the 1600s!

Geoff then gave the group an in-depth look at how he creates beautifully focused photographic images using Helicon Focus, a program that creates one completely focused image from several partially focused images by combining the focused areas. The group was very impressed with the finished images of the fly test object.

He then demonstrated one of his drawing techniques, using a camera lucida (a reflective device that attaches to a microscope). It is a challenging way of working, as you must look down through the lenses of the microscope while executing the drawing off to the side.

Geoff also demonstrated how he creates 3D images, and handed out 3D glasses to everyone in the group. Queensland Museum has published a children's 3D book on insects using these images for the Museum entitled, "Amazing 3D Insects".

The "Butterfly Man of Kuranda" Exhibition, was the focus of an interview with Geoff on ABC's Stateline. It can be accessed at <http://www.abc.net.au/news/video/2010/07/09/2949842.htm>

It was a brilliant educational night thanks to Geoff. We look forward to more education sessions through the year.

## AIMBI welcomes our new Members!

Ken Leitch - joined 2008  
Katrina Lawrence - joined 2008  
Sonja Brannelly - joined 2009  
Luke Brannelly - joined 2009  
Philip Williams - joined 2009  
Geoff Thompson - joined 2009  
Julie Caddy - joined 2009  
Ian Johnson - joined 2009  
Cathy Williams - joined 2009  
Kris Kamusinski - joined 2010

## AIMBI member news



Congratulations to Michael Shapter, who obtained his PhD this year. The title of his thesis is "A Re-assessment of the Veracity of Photographs"



Congratulations to Susanne Williams & her husband Dougal on the birth of William.

William Alexander Herd,  
born 24 Feb 2010

Photo: Susanne & William  
(5 weeks old)



Congratulations to Richard Smallwood & his wife Sarah on the birth of Charlotte

Charlotte was born on Saturday, 20th March 2010 at 2:15am.

She weighed 3.64 kg.

Photo: Richard & Charlotte on their first holiday in July 2010, Wye River.