VIC/TAS BRANCH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2025

MINUTES

Date: Wednesday 3 December 2025 **Time:** 6.00 PM

Venue: Kew Golf Club, 120 Belford Road, East Kew VIC 3102

In attendance: Mpho Banda, James Chan, Jomini Cheong, Sandra Code, Ariane Delessert, Bruce Hocking, Aleena Khawaja, Tina Ko, Ye Ko, Steve Korkoneas, Robyn Laurie, Virginia Li, Hilary Oakley, Nathan Pastor, Claudia Rouse, Amanda Sillcock, Valerie Yii, Kristen Yong, Dominic Yong

Apologies: Hugh Seward, Ryan Sweeney

In the spirit of reconciliation, we acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of country throughout Australia and their connections to land, sea and community. We pay our respects to their elders, past and present and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.





ITEM	ACTION
1. Welcome	
Jomini Cheong welcomed everyone to the AGM. Apologies were noted from Hugh Seward and Ryan Sweeney. Special welcome to all new VIC/TAS members from 2025: Dr Mpho Banda — Sharyn Kilby — Kasey Rose Dr Fiona Beer — Dr Elizabeth Lord — Ryan Sweeney Dr Daniel Bevz — Dr Cheryl Martin — Belinda Wells Dr Patrick Carr — Dr Anika Nihill — Dr Valerie Yii Dr Aleena Khawaja — A/Prof Rosemary Nixon	

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2. Previous minutes	
The minutes from the 2024 VIC/TAS Branch AGM on the 11 September 2024 were approved. Proposed: Dr Jomini Cheong Seconded: Dr Tina Ko Carried	
3. Chairperson's report (Dr Jomini Cheong)	

Jomini thanked the current Branch Committee:
• Chair: Dr Jomini Cheong
• Secretary: Dr Tina Ko
• Treasurer: Dr Shana Khan
• AFOEM Trainee Representatives: Dr Ye Myat Ko
• Branch Council members: Harry Chow, Sally Kane, Sandra Code, Robyn Laurie, Hilary Oakley
Jomini provided a report on the success of the ASM 2025 in Melbourne, and thanked everyone involved in organising it.
• Over 180 in-person and 50 virtual delegates, 45 speakers and 20 sponsors and exhibitors
• Excellent feedback:
  ○ 94% rated overall relevance and applicability to practice as excellent/good
  ○ 91% rated quality of speakers as excellent/good
  ○ 88% rated range of topics as excellent/good
Jomini provided a report on the Branch educational activities for this year:
• VIC/TAS Branch has combined with AFOEM VIC to run 2 educational meetings this year
• Kevin Sleigh Memorial Lecture (ANZSOM / AFOEM / WorkSafe Victoria) presented by A/Prof Rosemary Nixon on Occupational dermatitis learnings
• Worksite Visit Day in Hobart kindly organised by Dr Joe Slesenger, attended by over 20 ANZSOM members and AFOEM Fellows/Trainees
Planning for 2026 is underway – for suggestions of topics/speakers and other events please contact Jomini Cheong (anzsom.victas@gmail.com).	

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4. Treasurer's report (Dr Shana Khan)	
Dr Shana Khan provided the Treasurer's report.	

	2025	2024
Income		
Meeting income	$390.00	$1,664.73
Bank interest	$1.55	$0.91
Sponsorship	$3,000.00	$2,000.00
Total Income	**$3,391.55**	**$3,665.64**
Expense		
Meeting expenses	$3,323.10	$4,360.51
Total Expense	**$3,323.10**	**$4,360.51**
Net position	**$68.45**	**-$694.87**

Cash at bank	**30th June 2025**	**30th June 2024**
Savings account	$9,279.25	$9,210.80
Total cash at bank	**$9,279.25**	**$9,210.80**

5. Secretary's report (Dr Tina Ko)	

Dr Tina Ko provided an update on Branch membership:
• VIC/TAS Branch accounts for about 19% of ANZSOM membership
• 67% of our 2024 members renewed in 2025
• There are currently 82 VIC/TAS members, including:
  ○ 14 new members
  ○ 72 Doctor members (including 11 AFOEM Trainees)
  ○ 13 Nurse members
  ○ 6 members through Corporate Group membership	

6. Other business	
Jomini reported that Dr Semira Mollica has taken on the VIC/TAS Trainee Representative role, following Dr Ye Ko's move to the Federal Treasurer position. There were no objections, and Semira was welcomed to the role. The meeting closed at 6.30pm	