Program Update

The Radiation Oncology Physics track is shaping up to be a major program of interest to medical physicists, radiation oncologists and radiotherapists.

Dr Rock Mackie (Chair) and Prof Peter Metcalfe (Co-Chair) have set up some 17 topic sessions. Proposed topics include:

- Brachytherapy (endovascular)
- Brachytherapy
- Dose calculation/optimisation
- Dosimetry 1 protocols and QA protocols
- Dosimetry 2 (macro and clinical)
- Dosimetry 3 (micro mini)
- IMRT 1 planning and delivery
- IMRT 2 verification
- Motion compensation
- Oncology imaging
- Photodynamic therapy
- Quality systems
- Radiobiology
- Radionuclide therapy
- Simulation
- Stereotactic & gamma knife
- Treatment verification

Topic Chairs – currently being allocated – will be world leaders in their disciplines.


Exhibition

Five major players have already confirmed their commitment to the WC2003 Exhibition:

- Siemens Medical
- LAP Laser Applications
- Varian Medical Systems
- PTW Freiburg
- ICN Worldwide Dosimetry

The Exhibition is an excellent opportunity for organisations to demonstrate products, services and technology to an elite field of delegates, all of whom are directly involved in your target business.

There are also many options available for sponsorship of the Congress – your organisation’s name on anything from satchels to sessions. Everything is for sale!

For more on sponsorship or the Exhibition, visit the website at www.wc2003.org or contact the Congress managers at wc2003@tourhosts.com.au.

See Sydney and Surrounds

For those accompanying you to Sydney, we’ve arranged a great value-for-money program. Each registered accompanying person is entitled to three tours as part of their registration fee:

Introducing Sydney – designed to give you an introduction to our magnificent city.

Aboriginal Insight – visit our beautiful Botanic Gardens and the Art Gallery of New South Wales to gain an insight into our Indigenous heritage.

Koala Park – spend some time getting to know native Australian animals in their natural habitat.
Full details of the Accompanying Persons Registration and these tours will be available on the website by the end of September 2002.

**Optional Day Tours**

There will also be a series of optional day tours within and around Sydney. We’ll tell you a little of each of these in the next few issues of the Newsletter. Firstly:

**The Blue Mountains** - Journey west towards Parramatta, settled in 1788 and once the seat of the New South Wales Government, and into the spectacular mountain country inland from Sydney. See its spectacular sandstone cliffs and valleys, and learn about the Aboriginal legend of the Three Sisters—giant sandstone formations. Visit the Norman Lindsay Gallery for morning tea and see the lively and controversial work of this famous Australian artist. After lunch with sweeping views of the valley, step back in time and explore Leura, a village of antique and gift stores, boutiques, tearooms and the original ‘Candy Store’.

**Post Congress Tour Options**

Two post-tour options are designed to entice you stay a little longer in our part of the world – Australia and New Zealand.

- **The Reef & Rainforest Tour** takes you to the sun on the world famous Great Barrier Reef, with its corals and brilliantly coloured tropical fish, and Queensland’s tranquil, bird-filled rainforests.

- **The Spectacular South Island Tour** explores the wonders of New Zealand’s South Island — spectacular mountains, lakes, a canyon boat ride, glacier-carved fiords, the charming university town of Christchurch, and wonderful hospitality — all only a few hours from Sydney.

Join the throng! – add your hit to the 13,624 already recorded at the WC2003 website [www.WC2003.org](http://www.WC2003.org)

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**And, for those of you who prefer Welsh…**


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