

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

2026 AORA Annual Scientific Meeting

9-10 OCTOBER 2026
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Friday - 9 October 2026



8.15am	Registration	
8.45am	Catherine Guest - Welcome	
8.50am - 10.14am	Free Papers	Moderators: Josh Manvell Judges: Arvind Puri Leo Zeller
8.50am	Helena Franco - Is quadriceps graft the best compromise for ACL Reconstruction? A Comparison of Randomised Studies and Registry Data	
8.57am	Helena Franco - Do Medial Osteophytes Matter? Osteophyte Removal Increases Medial but not Lateral Gap Balance in Robotic-Assisted Total Knee Arthroplasty	
9.04am	Oscar Kinsman - The Increasing Burden of Revision Arthroplasty for Infection and Fracture: Perspectives of a Tertiary Referral Centre and the Impacts on Trainees.	
9.11am	Shoumit Mukhopadhaya - Hip fracture patients on Apixaban or Rivaroxaban. A prospective observational study to determine the effect of time to theatre and preoperative blood markers on bleeding.	
9.18am	Owain Critchley - Clinical and radiographic outcomes following glenoid bone grafting in primary reversetotal shoulder arthroplasty: a multicentre cohort study	
9.25am	Geoffrey Murphy - Early Post-operative Containment Predicts Long-Term Stability Following Isolated Varus Derotational Femoral Osteotomy in Older Children with Cerebral Palsy	
9.32am	Yash Panwar - Paediatric Displaced Radial Head Physeal Fracture Treatment: A Case Report on Fixation with Bio-absorbable Screws	
9.39am	Joshua Rajaratnam - Efficiency without compromise: Preliminary outcomes of High-Volume Short-Stay Surgery (HVSS) in an outer-metropolitan hospital	
9.46am	Alexander Saies - Revision Risk Following Use of Hooded Versus Neutral Acetabular Liners in Anterior Approach Total Hip Arthroplasty: An AOANJRR Registry-Based Cohort Study"	
9.53am	Ilya Varfolomeev - Fracture complexity, not surgical approach, determines rate of malalignment following tibial nailing	
10.00am	Sianne Toemoe - ERAS Protocols and Opioid Use After Total Hip and Knee Arthroplasty: A Retrospective Cohort Study	
10.07am	Karen Muller - Does pre-operative transthoracic echocardiogram delay time to surgical treatment in elderly hip fracture patients? – a systematic review and meta-analysis	
10.14am	Morning Tea	

10.40am Keynote Presentation - Leo Zeller Moderator: Catherine Guest

11.00am - 12.00pm	AOA Alliance Partners & Sponsor	Moderator: Catherine Guest
11.00am	Arthrex - Lauren Trewick	
11.10am	Avant - Sonya Black	
11.20am	Bongornio National Network - Matt Gellweiler & Nav Saini	
11.30am	Joy Surgical - Anna Joy Hoffman	
11.40am	Ramsay Healthcare - Sam Power	
11.50am	Stryker - Miffy Stephens	
12.00pm	Depuy Synthes - Kylie Flinker-Jarrett	

12.10pm Best Paper Awards announcement (including OTC Award)

12.20pm Lunch

Hand and Wrist Masterclass instructional course curated by Australian Hand Surgery Society

Faculty: Alex Brown, Alok Jhamb, Ben Hope,Ben Treffene, Greg Bain, Greg Couzens, Hans Lombard, Jeremy Loveridge, Margaret Fok, Mike Thomas, Randy Bindra,, Tamer Mettyas, Tanya Burgess

1.00pm	Jeremy Loveridge - Welcome to AHSS Instructional Course & Overview of program.	Moderators: Greg Bain Jeremy Loveridge
1.05pm	Greg Bain - The Importance of AHSS	
1.15pm	Mark Moroney - The Fellowship Exams and how to tackle them	
1.30pm	Ben Hope - Distal Radius Fractures – Treatment Algorithms	
1.45pm	Hans Lombard - Scaphoid Fractures – Management and Complications	
2.00pm	Tamer Mettyas - Perilunate Injuries	
2.15pm	Greg Couzens /Greg Bain - Carpal Instability – SL and LT and treatment Algorithm And Carpal instability tests	
2.30pm	Greg Bain - Osteoligamentous units – the principles of managing complex wrist injuries	
2.45pm	Any Questions ?	

2.50pm Small Group Session 1 - Systematic Wrist Examination

3.25pm Afternoon Tea

4.00pm	Tamer Mettyas - TFCC / ECU pathology, management and treatment	Moderators: Greg Couzens Ben Hope
4.15pm	Tanya Burgess - Dupuytren's	
4.30pm	Jeremy Loveridge -Lumps and Bumps in the Hand	
4.45pm	Tanya Burgess - PFET	
4.55pm	Any Questions ?	

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5.00pm - 5.40pm Fireside chat with the International Guests Moderator: Catherine Guest

Deborah Eastwood- AOA 2026ASM Presidential Guest Speaker
Anton Julyan - South Africa Orthopaedic Association
Ned Amendola - American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons
Chris Hoffman - New Zealand Orthopaedic Association
Sukhdeep Dulai - Canadian Orthopaedic Association
Stephen Kates - American Orthopaedic Association
Bob Handley - British Orthopaedic Association

5.40pm - 6.00pm AOA President Update - Mark Moroney Moderator: Catherine Guest

6.15pm - 9.15pm Welcome cocktail party - Wharf 1 - Sponsored by stryker

Saturday - 10 October 2026

Hand and Wrist Masterclass instructional course curated by Australian Hand Surgery Society

Moderators: Tanya Burgess | Alok Jhamb

8.00am	Hans Lombard- Flexor and Extensor Tendon Injuries and examination of them
8.15am	Alex Brown -Flexor and Extensor Tenosynovitis – trigger fingers / de quervains etc
8.30am	Alok Jhamb - Rheumatoid Hand
8.45am	Greg Couzens - Boutonniere and Swan neck deformities
9.00am	Ben Hope - Osteoarthritis of the Wrist
9.15am	Jeremy Loveridge - Thumb CMCJ OA
9.30am	Any Questions?

9.40am Small Group Session 2 - Practice Examination of the hand

10.10am Morning Tea

10.40am	Tanya Burgess - DRUJ Arthritis
10.55am	Mike Thomas - Small Joint Arthritis
11.10am	Ben Treffene - Digital Fractures and Dislocations including mallet finger
11.25am	Greg Bain - Kienbocks and AVN
11.40am	Any Questions?

11.50am Small Group Session 3 - Hand and wrist cases

12.20pm Lunch

1.15pm	Mike Thomas - Examination - Nerve Assessment – Median/ Ulnar / Radial and intrinsic muscle assessment	Moderators: Margaret Fok Randy Bindra
1.30pm	Ben Treffene - Nerve Compression Syndromes including Pacos Concepts of Carpal tunnel syndrome not CRPS	
1.45pm	Randy Bindra - Principles of Microsurgery And nerve repairs	
2.00pm	Margaret Fok - New concepts in the management of neuropathic pain e.g TMR	
2.15pm	Randy Bindra - Tendon transfers	
2.30pm	Any Questions?	

2.40pm Small Group Session 4 - Hand and Wrist cases

3.20pm Afternoon Tea

3.50pm	Ben Hope - DRUJ instability and ulna side wrist pain management
4.05pm	TBC - Wrist Arthroscopy - indications
4.20pm	Jeremy Loveridge - AI in Hand Surgery
4.35pm	Catherine Guest - AORA president
4.40pm	Any Questions? Wrap-Up Discussion
4.55pm	Greg Bain and Jeremy Loveridge - Closing remarks

7.00pm Social Networking Evening - Hemingway's



Sunday - 11 October 2026

7.15am - 9.15am or 9.30am - 11.30am AORA FEX Written Exam - M8, Cairns Convention centre

Please note: candidates will be informed of their session time



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