



Australian Council for Adult Literacy 32nd Annual Conference

ACAL 2009

'From Strength to Strength'

The Esplanade Hotel Fremantle

Friday, 2nd October 2009

to

Saturday, 3rd October 2009

Preliminary Program Summary

Day One: Friday, 2 October 2009

Registration Tea & Coffee **Southern Cross Lobby**

08:15 AM - 09:00 AM

Plenary Session 1

Opening Address

Keynote Presentation: The Strengths in Us All:

Dr Peter Waterhouse, Managing Director, Workplace Learning Initiatives
Sirius Room (Convention Centre)

09:00 AM - 09:30 AM

Morning Tea **Southern Cross Lobby**

10:30 AM - 11:00 AM

BLOCK ONE

Concurrent Sessions 1

1A Panel: National Policy; implications for adult literacy numeracy and language learning

Sirius Room (Convention Centre)

11:00 AM – 12:15 PM

1B Creating Community through public speaking:

Rob McCormack

Prince Regent Room (Convention Centre)

11:00 AM – 12:15 PM

1C Equity, Justice and human rights in Australia for adult English learners:

Jennifer Davis, Lilliana Hajncl, Maggie Power

King Sound Room (Convention Centre)

11:00 AM – 12:15 PM

1D The Strength of family literacy - A view from South Africa:

Snoeks Desmond

Admiralty Gulf Room (Convention Centre)

11:00 AM – 12:15 PM

1E Workplace Literacy & Numeracy - A case study of implementation:

Lois Moran & Chris Fryer

Rottneest Room (Level 1)

11:00 AM - 11:40 AM

1F Whatever happened to adult basic education? Teacher reflections in TAFE NSW:

Stephen Black

Garden Room (Level 1)

11:00 AM - 11:40 AM

1G Building on our strengths...getting started with e-learning design:

Debbie Soccio

Carnac Room (Level 1)

11:00 AM – 12:15 PM

Concurrent Sessions 2

2E Building on our strengths....Sharing ways that work. Successful partnerships in Community Services and Health organizations over a period of 10 years; where LLN support has been provided for over 2000 participants to achieve national qualifications.

Susanne Hunter & Raylee Allin

Rottneest Room (Level 1)

11:50 AM - 12:30 PM

2F Small steps; achieving positive literacy outcomes in a remote community.

Derek McPadden, Laiza Whippy, Lorraine Sushames, & Roger Thompson

Garden Room (Level 1)

11:50 AM - 12:30 PM

Lunch **Atrium Garden Restaurant**

12:30 PM - 01:15 PM

Plenary Session 2

Keynote Presentation: What counts, who counts: developing understandings of numeracy teaching from international experiences.

Dave Baker, Reader in Adult Numeracy and Post 16 Mathematics, London Institute of Education

Sirius Room (Convention Centre)

1:15 PM - 2:15 PM

BLOCK TWO

Concurrent Sessions 3

3A A Quick Test of Literacy?

Mark Butler

Sirius Room (Convention Centre)

2:25 PM - 3:05 PM

3B Skilling Indigenous Australia: Effective numeracy learning for employment by regional and remote Indigenous students in vocational education and training courses.

Mark McCarthy and Dr Bronwyn Ewing

Prince Regent Room (Convention Centre)

2:25 PM - 3:05 PM

Saturday, 3 October 2009

Registration Tea & Coffee **Southern Cross Lobby**

08:15 AM - 09:00 AM

Plenary Session 3

Keynote Presentation: Beyond Schooling: Towards a more adult LLN curriculum.

Dr Rob McCormack, Victoria University, Melbourne

Sirius Room (Convention Centre)

09:00 AM - 10:15 AM

Morning Tea **Southern Cross Lobby**

10:15 AM – 10:45 AM

BLOCK FOUR

Concurrent Sessions 6

6A Panel: Drawing on ideas of strength based learning: what's old, what's new?

Sirius Room (Convention Centre)

10:45 AM – 12:15 PM

6B MI Life MI Future (Literacy, equity, Justice and human rights).

Barbara Van Leest

Prince Regent Room (Convention Centre)

10:45 AM – 12:15 PM

6C Grammar? Pah!

Geoff Pearson

King Sound Room (Convention Centre)

10:45 AM - 11:25 AM

6D "Kangaroos, caves and spirits in the air" Factors in cross-dialectal text comprehension by Aboriginal-English speaking students.

Farzad Sharifian, Glenys Collard, Adriano Truscott and Patricia Konigsberg

Admiralty Gulf Room (Convention Centre)

10:45 AM - 11:25 AM

6E Put More In, Get More Out– USIQ, a new course to help improve VET outcomes for disadvantaged groups.

Margaret McHugh

Rottneest Room (Level 1)

10:45 AM – 12:15 PM

6F Social practice, ethnography and numeracies: raising teachers' awareness of learners' needs: ways of enabling adult numeracy teachers to be more culturally, economically and socially sensitive to the needs of learners.

Dave Baker

Garden Room (Level 1)

10:45 AM – 12:15 PM

6G Shaped for success. Identity, position and workplace mentoring.

Christine Holland

Carnac Room (Level 1)

10:45 AM - 11:25 AM

Concurrent Sessions 7

7B Investigating agency in the teaching of very low-literate adult ESL learners in western Sydney: A case study.

Sue Ollerhead

Prince Regent Room (Convention Centre)

11:35 AM - 12:15 PM

7G Exploring reading in an African language. Or: From strength comes forth sweetness – what was that thing about the lion and the honey?

Sandra Land

Carnac Room (Level 1)

11:35 AM - 12:15 PM

Lunch **Atrium Garden Restaurant**

12:15 PM - 1:10 PM

BLOCK FIVE

Concurrent Sessions 8

8A Addressing the LLN in vocational training - core skills in regional, remote and rural areas.

Deby Wilkes

Sirius Room (Convention Centre)

1:10 PM – 2:40 PM

8B ...But they're expecting a plasterer to teach maths.

Grant Cole & Lisa James

Prince Regent Room (Convention Centre)

1:10 PM – 2:40 PM

8C From Local Village to Global Village: developing skills and broadening horizons for refugees from Burma in a Language, Literacy and Numeracy classroom.

Mandy Homewood

King Sound Room (Convention Centre)

1:10 PM - 1:50 PM

8D Sharing what works: Swan TAFE and the Swan Friendship Club: Building a Model for Social Inclusion.

Sandra Cotton & Val Shiell

Admiralty Gulf Room (Convention Centre)

1:10 PM - 1:50 PM

8E Partnerships, practitioners and passion explored.

Leonie Francis & Ros Bauer

Rottnest Room (Level 1)

1:10 PM – 2:40 PM

8F Neuroplasticity, puzzles and literacy.

Claire Anderson

Garden Room (Level 1)

1:10 PM - 1:50 PM

8G LLNP Pre-Training Assessments - ACSF style.

Lulia Kearton & Libby Rowsell

Carnac Room (Level 1)

1:10 PM – 2:40 PM

Concurrent Sessions 9

9C From the Strength of a customised programme to the Strength of the learner outcomes.

Linda Sturgess & Gillen Smiler

King Sound Room (Convention Centre)

2:00 PM - 2:40 PM

9D Managing the multicultural classroom.

Denise Shearer & Mary Walsh

Admiralty Gulf Room (Convention Centre)

2:00 PM - 2:40 PM

9F Professional play with a PDA.

Megan Colley & Anne Willox

Garden Room (Level 1)

2:00 PM - 2:40 PM

Afternoon Tea Southern Cross Lobby

2:40 PM - 3:10 PM

Final Plenary Session

The Way Ahead - feedback from panels

Plenary P4 Sirius Room (Convention Centre)

3:10 PM - 4:00 PM

Conference Conclusion: _____