



Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Welcome to the 2nd Newsletter for the NR-SIG-WFNR, this time we will focus on the Conferences,

2016 will see the 13th Conference of the SIG. Jill Winegardner and I went to Iran to give a 4 day workshop and 2 lectures read all about it on [our website](#)

Barbara A. Wilson, Chairperson of NR-SIG-WFNR



2015 Conference Report

The 12th annual conference of the Neuropsychological Rehabilitation Special Interest Group, was held between July 6th and 7th 2015 on Daydream Island in



the Whitsundays, Australia. The conference program showcased 29 oral, 21 datablitz and 35 poster presentations and brought together 110 delegates from 10 countries (including Australia, New Zealand, the United Kingdom, and The Netherlands among others). In addition to being located in one of Australia's iconic tourist destinations, a highlight of the meeting was the conference dinner held at the beautiful Lovers Cove. The delegates enjoyed a BBQ feast surrounded by a glorious coral beach in the backdrop of the Whitsunday passage. A glorious sunset over welcome drinks on Sunlovers Terrace certainly set the scene for a truly memorable meeting.

The program covered a wide spectrum of disorders that included a diverse range of traumatic and acquired brain injuries — notably, stroke, multiple sclerosis, tumour

and hypoxic brain injury — and their treatment. The presentations were stimulating and depicted major novel advances in measurement of outcomes, neurocognitive treatment approaches across the life span, and management of communication and emotional disorders arising from brain injury from around the world. Topics included unusual presentations of syndromes in areas of topographical disorientation and number agnosia, integration of assistive technology in rehabilitation, and novel approaches to metacognitive, executive, memory and language intervention in paediatric, adult and older adult populations. The presentations promoted lively discussion and provided an important basis for future collaborations between researchers and clinicians across continents.

The high quality of presentations made it difficult to award just single prizes in the categories of best datablitz and poster presentations, and thus two awards were made in each as follows:

Best datablitz prize: Jennifer Fleming— Australia

Highly commended: Linda Sigmundsdottir – Australia

Best poster prize: Suzanne Barker-Collo – New Zealand

Highly commended: Wendy Longley - Australia

Overall, the conference program stimulated great discussions, healthy debates and the exchange of ideas that are so important for building capacity in neuro-rehabilitation and moving the field forward.

NR-SIG-WFNR COMMITTEE

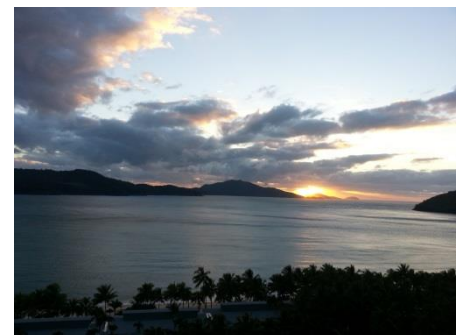
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 Prof Jon Evans
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The Chairing baton has now been passed to Jonathan Evans, who will chair the 13th conference of the NR-SIG-WFNR in Glasgow, Scotland, UK on 11th and 12th July 2016.

Not a member of the NR-SIG-WFNR yet?

The NR-SIG-WFNR is **FREE** to join when you are a member of the WFNR, email your WFNR membership number to [Margaret](#) its that easy, if you are not a [WFNR](#) member join now. NR-SIG-WFNR members will get a discount to the 2016 conference

ONLY €30



Sunset over welcome drinks

THIS MONTH WE SHOWCASE ONE OF THE NR-SIG-WFNR's Committee who is also convening the 2016 Conference in Glasgow, Scotland



Prof Jonathan Evans
Jon is Professor of Applied Neuropsychology at the University of Glasgow. Jon was the first Clinical Director of

the Oliver Zangwill Centre for Neuropsychological Rehabilitation. He is currently Programme Director for the Masters in Clinical Neuropsychology programme at the University of Glasgow. Jon has published more than 130 papers, books and book chapters, most of them in the areas of neuropsychological assessment and rehabilitation. He is an Executive Editor of the journal Neuropsychological Rehabilitation and is a co-author of the Behavioural Assessment of the Dysexecutive Syndrome and the Cambridge Prospective Memory Test. Jon is on the Executive Committee of the NR-SIG-WFNR and the BPS Division of Neuropsychology Professional Standards Unit.

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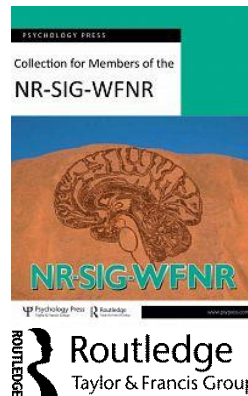


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But we are still looking for sponsors and exhibitors. Go to the [website](#) or [email Margaret](#) for a sponsorship package

In a special deal Routledge and Psychology Press are giving all NR-SIG-WFNR members 20% off all books ordered through their website



EVENTS

1st Asia-Oceanian Congress for NeuroRehabilitation
When: 3-5 September 2015
Where: Seoul, Korea
Contact: www.aocnr2015.org

9th World Congress for NeuroRehabilitation
When: 10-13 May 2016
Where: Philadelphia, USA
Contact: www.wcnr2016.org

13th NR-SIG-WFNR Conference
When: 11-12 July 2016
Where: Hilton Grosvenor, Glasgow, Scotland, UK
Contact: mers@exemail.com.au
www.mers.vpweb.com.au/NR-SIG-WFNR-Conf

39th ASSBI Brain Impairment Conference
When: 26-28 September 2016
Where: Macau, China
Contact: admin@assbi.com.au

The call for abstracts is now open for the 13th NR-SIG-WFNR conference being held in Glasgow, Scotland on 11 and 12 July 2016 and closes on 7 February 2016.

Go to <https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=13thnrsigwfnr> to submit an abstract

Go to www.mers.vpweb.com.au/NR-SIG-WFNR-Conf for information on the conference

