

President's report 2023

The AGM for 2023 was held on the 29th of March 2023 at GP-P-419, P Block, Garden Point Campus, Queensland University of Technology. The following council members were elected (as per minutes of AGM):

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Councillor (General)	Duncan Lowes	duncan.lowes@gmail.com

Seminars and Meetings

In 2023 we had 7 seminars, with details provided below. Each Seminar was concurrently a SSA QLD meeting. Each meeting was accompanied by an after-meeting social gathering at a venue near the meeting location.

1. Dr Alanah Cronin, Aurizon, Understanding the interpretation and presentation of statistical methods in the Australian criminal justice system, 29/03/2023
2. Dr Thomas Magor and Associate Professor Len Coote, University of Queensland, Structural Choice Modelling: An Extension and Generalisation of McFadden's Multinomial Logit, 28/06/2023
3. Professor Adrian Barnett, QUT, Evidence of statistical "hacking" in clinical prediction models, 02/08/2023
4. Professor Benno Torgler, QUT, Collecting and Analysing Data through the Lens of a Behavioural Economist, 23/08/2023
5. Montana Wicken, Department of Agriculture and Fisheries, Counting all the fish in the MCM"SEA". 20/09/2023
6. Gloria Milena Monsalve Bravo, University of Queensland, From uncertainty to certainty: exploiting parameter relationships to manage uncertainty in mathematical modelling, 18/10/2023
7. ASC Scholarship Recipients, ASC Scholarship Showcase, 16/11/2023

Council meetings

The SSA Queensland Council met 7 times online during the 2023-2024 administrative year on the following dates:

1. 03/05/2023
2. 07/06/2023
3. 17/07/2023
4. 07/08/2023
5. 11/09/2023
6. 30/11/2023
7. 04/03/2024

Other Events

Outside of the usual meetings, the council held an end of year celebration on 20/12/2023.

Scholarships

Three Scholarships to the value of \$500 per recipient was awarded to Lee Jones, Danyang Dai, and Kalu Arachchilage Karunarathna to partially cover expenses towards presenting at the ASC 2023. Recipients presented at the ASC Scholarship Showcase on 16/11/2023.

Other items

The council embarked upon an update of the SSA Queensland Rules and Regulation to be consistent with update terminology, and make the document consistent with current practice, including updating outdated references to cheque payments and paperwork in place of more neutral terminology allowing for electronic financial and email transactions.