



**ACRRM  
AST  
Conference  
Obstetrics &  
Gynaecology**

# Conference Program

**Thursday 21 May – Saturday 23 May 2026**

**Rydges Resort, Hunter Valley, NSW**



## Day 1

# Thursday 21 May 2026

18:00 – 19:00      Registration

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19:00 – 21:00      Welcome  
Reception

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## Day 2

# Friday 22 May 2026

08:45                  Arrival                  Coffee/tea

09:00 – 09:15      Dr Rod Martin      Welcome & Opening address

09:15 – 09:45      Danijela  
Radovanovic &  
Justine Harris      Anatomy of the Rural Generalist Obstetrician – NSW Research  
Dataset on GPO workforce

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09:45 – 10:45      Dr Jasmine Banner  
&  
Dr Jerry Abraham      Quick fire clinical case discussions: 2 clinical cases for  
presentation/discussion (using Menti-polling) e.g:

- The HIE Case – Jasmine Banner
- Pre-Eclampsia – Jerry Abraham

10:45 – 11:15      Morning Tea

11:15 – 12:00      Dr Nisha Knot      Perinatal infections (CMV, Syphilis, Parvovirus)

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12:00 – 12:45      Dr Carmen Brown      “Anchoring the Ship” – Building Psychological Safety in Rural  
Obstetric Teams

12:45 – 13:30      Lunch

## Day 2

### Friday 22 May 2026 (cont.)

<b>13:30 – 15:00</b>	<p><b>Workshop 1.1</b> The difficult caesarean section including impacted foetal head</p> <p><b>Dr Sally Street</b></p>	<p><b>Workshop 1.2</b> Catastrophic PPH in rural setting including B-lynch suture, ligation uterine artery, hysterectomy in rural context</p> <p><b>Dr Andy Woods</b></p>	<p><b>Workshop 1.3</b> Recognition and Repair of Obstetric Anal Sphincter Injuries</p> <p><b>Dr Stephen Tucker</b></p>	<p><b>Workshop 1.4</b> Obstetric Ultrasound – Growth/AFI/ Dopplers and Intrapartum Scanning for Foetal Position</p> <p><b>Dr Carl Henman</b></p>
<p><b>15:00 – 15:30</b>      <b>Afternoon Tea</b></p>				
<b>15:30 – 17:00</b>	<p><b>Workshop 2.1</b> The difficult caesarean section including impacted foetal head</p> <p><b>Dr Sally Street</b></p>	<p><b>Workshop 2.2</b> Catastrophic PPH in rural setting including B-lynch suture, ligation uterine artery, hysterectomy in rural context</p> <p><b>Dr Andy Woods</b></p>	<p><b>Workshop 2.3</b> Recognition and Repair of Obstetric Anal Sphincter Injuries</p> <p><b>Dr Stephen Tucker</b></p>	<p><b>Workshop 2.4</b> Obstetric Ultrasound – Growth/AFI/ Dopplers and Intrapartum Scanning for Foetal Position</p> <p><b>Dr Carl Henman</b></p>
<p><b>19:00 – 23:00</b>      <b>Conference Dinner</b>      In conversation with Vijay Roach hosted by Marian Dover</p>				

# Day 3

## Saturday 23 May 2026

07:00 – 08:00	Optional	Yoga – Elise Ly		
08:15	Arrival	Coffee/tea		
08:30 – 10:00	<b>Workshop 3.1</b> The difficult caesarean section including impacted foetal head  <b>Dr Andy Woods</b>	<b>Workshop 3.2</b> Catastrophic PPH in rural setting including B-lynch suture, ligation uterine artery, hysterectomy in rural context  <b>Dr Bec Jones</b>	<b>Presentation 3.3</b> Beyond the Transition: Managing Common Neonatal Issues (jaundice, hypoglycemia etc)  <b>Dr Teena Downtown</b>	<b>Workshop 3.4</b> How rural teams recognise, manage, and recover from a catastrophic obstetric emergency – clinically and psychologically  <b>Dr Elise Ly</b>
10:00 – 10:30	Morning Tea			
10:30 – 12:00	<b>Workshop 4.1</b> The difficult caesarean section including impacted foetal head  <b>Dr Andy Woods</b>	<b>Workshop 4.2</b> Catastrophic PPH in rural setting including B-lynch suture, ligation uterine artery, hysterectomy in rural context  <b>Dr Bec Jones</b>	<b>Presentation 4.3</b> Beyond the Transition: Managing Common Neonatal Issues (jaundice, hypoglycemia etc)  <b>Dr Teena Downtown</b>	<b>Workshop 4.4</b> How rural teams recognise, manage, and recover from a catastrophic obstetric emergency – clinically and psychologically  <b>Dr Elise Ly</b>
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch			
13:00 – 13:45	<b>Dr Nicole Gale</b>	The Rural Lactation Roadmap - Breastfeeding Essentials		
13:45 – 14:30	<b>Prof. Alexis Shub</b>	The Sweet Challenge: Updates in Diagnosing and Managing Diabetes in Pregnancy		
14:30 – 15:00	Afternoon Tea			
15:00 – 15:30	<b>Dr Eleanor Hobbs</b>	The RHD case		
15:30 – 16:30	<b>Dr Jasmine Banner</b> <b>Dr Andy Woods</b> <b>Dr Bec Jones</b>	Panel Discussion: “Towards Normal Birth in Rural Australia”?		
16:30	Conference close and thanks			

