



Perioperative Nurses Association of Queensland Inc

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Report from Mackay Branch June 2010

Mackay Branch finally had their Education day on May 22nd which also included the AGM.

The education day covered a variety of topics including:

- ✓ Care the Bariatric patient in Anaesthesia
- ✓ History of Laparoscopic surgery
- ✓ PACU information
- ✓ Wound care and some products
- ✓ Donate Life (organ and tissues donation)
- ✓ DVD and discussion on correct site surgery

The day, held at the Mater Hospital, was attended by a small but enthusiastic group of Mackay's periop family from both the public and private sectors – so thank you to those who attended - I felt it was an informative and enjoyable day.

On to the AGM - Initially there had been little interest in the positions of President, Treasurer and Secretary (though I had been trying to coerce some) – but by the end of the day – we had elected (without coercion) the following people to the vacant positions.

Congratulations and welcome to:

Karen Bedford – President

Beth Keogh – Secretary

Wendy Dempster – Treasurer

With these 3 wonderful ladies as the leadership team, Mackay Branch will be maintained and no doubt, flourish.

I offer my thanks and best wishes to Dianne Gammie (treasurer) and Fleur Harmsworth (secretary) for their assistance during our term – it was a complex time – but we got there in the end.

Kathy Flanigan
Past President