

Fun and Games Growing Expertise and Discoveries

The Scott Kirkbride Melanoma Research Centre (SKMRC) based at WAIMR has started the New Year with strong structural changes – including the appointment of a Scientific Advisory Committee and creation of fresh discovery opportunities including a new round of grants.

The Centre welcomes Associate Professor Graham Mann, Professor Nick Hayward and Associate Professor Grant McArthur to the new Scientific Advisory Committee.

SKMRC Medical Director Professor Peter Leedman said the trio offered great experience in melanoma research and would help guide the Centre's research into new and innovative areas of investigation.

"I'm pleased to welcome renowned experts to the SKMRC team, who's guidance and advice I'm sure will be of huge value to our science and research," he said.

"These Discovery Grants will ensure we broaden our search for answers in the genetics of melanoma and give rise to fresh talent and ideas in this vital area of research."

There are 2 Melanoma Research Projects and the grants will be announced in May.

UPCOMING EVENT

On Friday May 22

the SKMRC will once again host its

Annual Fundraising Luncheon

at the Billy Walker room

Subiaco Oval

The afternoon will include inspirational speakers, hot auction items and prizes and a sumptuous lunch.

Tickets are \$150 and are likely to be snapped up quickly. To reserve your seat, please call WAIMR on

(08) 9224 0333

A Stunning Summer of Fundraising

For the third year running, Ascot Race Course hosted the SKMRC race day, in the name of raising money for skin cancer research.

Event organiser Peter Collins together with SKMRC's Yvonne Kirkbride, put on a wonderful day full of racing, fashion, food and drinks.

More than 700 people donned their best hats and outfits and attended the day to support the cause, with lucky attendees

Greta Etherington who took home a motorised scooter, and Alyssa Pearson who won an overseas trip in door prizes.

The Race Day raised an amazing \$20,000 to support the Centre's work.

The SKMRC would like to extend a special thank you to Peter Collins who spent so much time and effort organising the day.

A huge congratulations and thanks also goes out to Pia Kilburn and Craig Oliver who flew the SKMRC flag while completing the Rottneest Island Swim, which helped raise awareness of the Centre and the cause – an amazing effort!



Race Day guests Sam Cousens, Di Bahen and Rikki Jones



Scooter winner Greta Etherington with Olympic gold medalist and race day guest Todd Pearson