


# Strong optical contingent at Round The Bays

The 2009 HSBC Round the Bays fun run attracted some 70,000 people on a glorious autumn Sunday morning in March. The annual event in Auckland has been held since 1972 and has now grown to be one of the world's largest fun-runs with nearly 40,000 registered runners.

A team of 40 from Eye Institute joined the throngs of people who made their way along Tamaki Drive to St Heliers Bay. Each participant was presented with a shirt and cap and a goodies bag courtesy of sponsors; Design For Vision, Johnson & Johnson, Alcon and OHL.

A contingent of 40 (including families) from OHL also participated, as did 45 optometry students from Auckland University who were sporting colourful CIBA Vision t-shirts. 



Optometry students from left: Mark Xun Zou, Sheriza Khan, Ammar Al-Ibousi, Maheep Ichpuni, Eva Kwok, Evon Chan, Clifford Kam, Melody She, In Hae Park, Jenna Edwards, Linda Ea, Natalie Wong, Katrina Wong, Jason Cho, Carme De la Hunt, Victoria Lun Front Row: Keaton Daya and Raj Maiti



Third year students Victoria Lun and Carme De la Hunt in the crowd



Dr Bruce Hadden on BBQ duty



The reverse of the T-Shirts displaying the GoNaked slogan



Some of the Eye Institute Team

## All roads lead to Darwin



This year's AUSCRS being held in Darwin will be one of the highlights on refractive and cataract surgeons' education calendars. It's now 33 years since Cyclone Tracy trashed Darwin and since then the city has been transformed into a vibrant tropical capital.

To be held on 2-5 July, the slate of international speakers is sure to be a big drawcard. Professor Randall Olson, one of the most respected and noted ophthalmologists in the USA with a special interest in intraocular lens related complications is the AUSCRS Gold Medal Lecture presenter for this year's meeting. Other confirmed international speakers to date are Dr Paul Rosen who is President of the UK and Ireland Society of Cataract & Refractive Surgeons and Medical Editor of *Eurotimes*, and Drs Damien Gatinel, Julian Theng and Michael Knorz.

The clinical program also includes submitted papers from local and overseas ophthalmologists, the AUSCRS Film Festival, the now well-renowned 'Chat' session (this year entitled 'The Billabong Chat') and by popular demand, another Lifestyle Session. There will also be a session on 'Business in Ophthalmology' making this year's AUSCRS programme the most well-rounded ophthalmic programme available in 2009.

As well as the doctors' clinical programme, there is an excellent support staff programme dedicated to practice managers/administration staff/orthoptists and nursing staff. The confirmed presenters to date for this programme are:

- Michelle Ray from Canada who is presenting a half-day workshop on "World Class Service Excellence – Have an Attitude of Gratitude for Clients"
- Martin Grunstein (Sydney) who is presenting on 'Skills to Give Patient Satisfaction by Providing Options'
- Marilyn Smith (Sydney) who is presenting on 'Bringing Emotional Intelligence to the Workplace' (dealing with emotions at work)
- Nigel McGohtigan from Maroubra


Day Surgery who is giving a hands-on workshop on 'Back to Basics - Prepping and Draping for Cataract Surgery; a Nursing Approach'

The 2009 conference will once again combine the latest ophthalmological information with social events and an exhibition of leading suppliers.

Looking to the city from the edge of the Arafura Sea, Darwin Convention Centre is the imminent iconic landmark of Australia's tropical harbour city. To the Larrakia, the traditional owners of Darwin, the harbour is a place of connection where they have welcomed visitors for centuries while trading with other indigenous tribes and Southeast Asian neighbours.

Within hours of the city you can immerse yourself in culture and sight-seeing unlike anything else in the world. Within the city itself, there is new energy reflecting the impact of the resources boom and the growing population.

Nature, architecture and technology converge in this waterfront venue to provide not only the finest facilities but also to create the ideal environment for a successful and memorable conference. Ringside views of Darwin's serene seascapes amidst a 'harbour city within a city' complete the sense of occasion at this world-class venue.

More information and registration details can be obtained from [www.auscrs.org.au](http://www.auscrs.org.au) 



The Darwin Convention Centre

# Eye Institute Education Series 2009



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**Theme:** Diagnostics & Therapeutics in everyday Practice  
**First Seminar:** Novotel Conference Rooms  
**Time:** Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2009  
 6.30pm - 8.30pm (please see inserted flyer)

**Second Seminar:** Novotel Conference Rooms  
**Time:** Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> August 2009  
 6.30pm - 8.30pm

**Conference:** Ellerslie Event Centre  
**Time:** Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2009  
 8am - 5pm

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