

AUSTRALIAN SKEPTICS NATIONAL CONVENTION 2005



**August 13th – 14th
Bond University,
University Drive, Robina,
Gold Coast Qld**

Each day six or seven speakers will give presentations on topics and issues relating to health, science, education, critical thinking and others of a more general nature.

Morning & Afternoon Tea and a light lunch will be served by the Bond University Catering Service.

Note

**The Saturday Night Dinner will be held at the Mermaid Waters Hotel;
Cnr Markeri St/ Sunshine Boulevard**

Saturday Speakers:

Prof Chris Del Mar: Dean of Medicine, Bond University
Clinical Scepticism and Evidence-based Medicine

Dr Hugh Crone: Biochemist & Toxicologist (formerly of the Dept of Defence Science)
Knowledge and Beliefs in the New Age

Dr Colin Key: Physicist/Astronomer
The Perils of Part Time Power

Prof. Robert Henry: Southern Cross University
The Social Impact of Biotechnology – A Scientist's View of G M Food

Assoc Prof. Adrian Kelly: Psychologist, University of Qld
Myths, Controversies and the Application of Science to the Treatment of Alcohol Problems

Barry Williams: Editor of *the Skeptic*
Conspiracy Theories for Every Occasion (if they don't get at him first)

Prof. James Allan: Lawyer, University of Qld
Some Scepticism About Human Rights

Sunday Speakers:

Peter Bowditch: VP Australian Skeptics, proprietor of ratbags.com
Financial Scams and Cult-like Mind Control in Multi-level Marketing
A Panel of Secondary School Students
Critical Thinking is Cool!

Assoc. Prof. Tim Van Gelder: Dept of Philosophy, Melbourne University
How (Not) to Teach Critical Thinking

Geraldine Moses: Pharmacologist
Alternative Medicines: Do They Work?

Loretta Marron – The Jelly Bean Lady: Physicist/Health Information Researcher
The Power of One

Assoc Prof Jeff Brand: School of Communication & Media, Bond University
Psychologists v the Courts: A Skeptical Look at the Effects of Violent Video Games on Aggression in Society

Dr William Grey: Philosopher, University of Qld
Hume on Miracles

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Australian Skeptics 2005 National Convention Gold Coast 13th -14th August Registration

Registration for Saturday *and* Sunday.

- \$100.00
 \$90.00 - Early Bird (if paid before July 15)

Saturday only Registration

- \$55.00
 \$50.00 Early Bird (if paid before July 15)

Sunday only Registration

- \$55.00
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Saturday Night Convention Dinner

- \$45.00

Note: Charges include morning and afternoon tea and a light lunch daily.

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