

# Scottish Society of Anaesthetists

## Annual Spring meeting

### Peebles Hydro Hotel



## Programme: Thursday 23 April 2026

09:00-09:25	Registration, coffee and trade exhibition	
09:25-09:30	Presidential Welcome	Dr Ken Barker
<b>Session 1</b>	<b>Focus on Emergency Theatres</b>	<b>Chair: Dr Ken Barker</b>
09:30-09:55	Scottish Emergency Laparotomy Work	Dr Gemma Scotland
09:55-10:20	Emergency Surgery – Why the Wait?	Dr Carolyn Johnston
10:20- 10:45	Perioperative Risk Prediction: You have the right to remain silent	Dr Alfie Lloyd
10:45 – 11:00	Q+A	
11:00- 11:30	REFRESHMENTS and trade exhibition	
<b>Session 2</b>	<b>Breaking down barriers</b>	<b>Chair: Dr Katie Lake</b>
11:30-11:55	Anti-racism in Anaesthesia	Dr Krithi Ravi
11:55-12:20	Medecin sans frontieres	Dr Christian Hillstrom
12:20-12:30	Q+A	
12:30-13:30	LUNCH and trade exhibition	
13:10-13:30	<b>AGM – all SSA members welcome</b>	
<b>Session 3</b>	<b>Medical Updates for Anaesthetists</b>	<b>Chair: Dr Gavin Scott</b>
13:30-13:55	Periop Diabetic Management	Dr Marcus Lyall
13:55 – 14:20	Functional Neurological Disorders	Dr Neil Ramsay
14:20 – 14:45	Periop Management of Anticoagulants	Dr Catherine Bagot
14:45-15:00	Q&A	
15:00-15:20	REFRESHMENTS and trade exhibition	
<b>Session 4</b>	<b>Work and Health Matters</b>	<b>Chair: Dr Niels Weidenhammer</b>
15:20-15:45	RCOA Update	Dr Sarah Thornton
15:45-16:10	Work-Life Balance: Does it Exist	Prof Colin McCartney
16:10 – 16:35	Practitioner Health, Addiction and Anaesthesia	Mr Richard Jones
16:35-16:45	Q+A	
16:45-17:15	DRINKS reception	
<b>Session 5</b>	<b>President's Session</b>	
17:15-17:45	Presidential address	Dr Paul Fettes

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09:00-09:30	Registration, coffee and trade	
09:30-09:35	Presidential Welcome	Dr Paul Fettes
<b>Session 1</b>	<b>Around the Specialties</b>	<b>Chair: Dr Kathryn Hill</b>
09:35- 10:00	Acute Pain in ICU: An Uncomfortable Relationship	Dr Claire Young
10:00-10:25	Beyond the Block – Delivering Service Innovation in Practice?	Dr Dave Macpherson
10:25-10:50	Long term sequelae of PDPH	Dr David Nesvadba
10:50-11:00	Q&A	
11:00-11:25	REFRESHMENTS and trade exhibition (poster judging)	
<b>Session 2</b>	<b>“Scottish” Anaesthetists Abroad</b>	<b>Chair: Dr Emma Bhatti</b>
11:25-11:50	Anaesthesia: A Scandinavian Perspective	Dr Cara Marshall
11.50-12:10	From Glasgow– Perth Australia	Dr Charlotte Heath
12:10-12:30	Paeds and Fellowships in Oz	Dr Angela Baker
12:30-12:40	Q&A	
12:40-13:40	LUNCH and trade exhibition (poster judging)	
<b>Session 3</b>	<b>QI and Resident Presentations</b>	<b>Chair: Dr Laura Irwin</b>
13:40-14:05	QI – with a small “q”	Dr Steven Young
14:05-14:30	Resident Oral Presentations	Abstract winners
14:30-15:00	REFRESHMENTS and trade exhibition	
<b>Session 4</b>	<b>SSA Grants in Action</b>	<b>Chair: Dr Gary Thompson</b>
15:00-15:20	ATACC Course and Beyond	Dr Nick Wilson
15:20-15:40	Clinical Debriefing	Dr Emma Phillips
15:40-15:50	Q&A	
15:50-16:00	Prizegiving	SSA Exec
<b>CLOSE OF MEETING</b>		

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