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Chairperson's Report

Last meeting in May was cancelled due to flooding in Brisbane. Thankyou to all for your cooperation in re-scheduling for today. Since our last meeting we seem to have had our enquiry line coordinator's / AMTA QLD email 'hacked' resulting in a flood of spam email and resulting complaints from RMTs. To rectify this we have opened a new account and advised both National and all members.

Work experience enquiry – despite our enquiry line coordinator's efforts in March to create a register of RMT's willing to take on volunteers / work experience students, in her recent absence I responded to an enquiry at National's request to a non-music therapy university student for work experience stating that her best approach was to use our website's search option to find a therapist in her area and chosen work area and to make direct contact. RMTs are requested to contact Lisa Freeman at amta.qld@gmail.com to advise their interest in being contacted to accept volunteer or work experience students.

Our National Conference will be held in Sydney on September 19th & 20th, with the PDS for RMTs only on the 17th & 18th. During this time, the AMTA National AGM will be held on the Saturday (19th) and I encourage all members to attend if possible.

Following our National AGM, financial reports will be available enabling us to conduct our State AGM. I anticipate that this will be in late September or early October 2009. Current elected members will need to consider their availability to continue in their positions. Members should start to consider their own interest or identifying others who may be ready to represent the AMTA in Queensland. Nominations for elected and general mem-

bers will be emailed at least 7 weeks prior to the AGM, which will be required to be returned 3 weeks prior to the meeting. Please check your emails from AMTA-QLD for further information on our AGM.

We recently hosted a workshop in Creative Acoustic Guitar Loops conducted by Professor Robert Krout, on Wed 8th April at St Leo's College St Lucia. This workshop was well attended and enjoyed. I encourage all members to take an active interest in attending and getting the most from professional development opportunities delivered by AMTA-QLD. On this note, I encourage all RMTs and students to attend an exciting presentation on music therapy research by Dr Barbara Wheeler in July. Funded by AMTA-QLD at no cost to members, this presentation will be held on Saturday morning, 18th July 2009 at Playgroup Queensland, 86 Orchid St Enoggera from 9am to 1pm. Morning tea will be provided and we Hope to see you there!

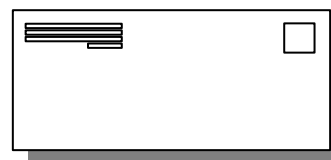
Thankyou to Lorna Sherwin for providing several websites providing information on potential sites for an RMT retreat. I look forward to discussion on this subject.

Recently an email was sent out regarding a web site scheduling set fees for allied health professionals. Please note that this email related to schedules set by Workers Compensation and as such, would refer only to services provided to Worker's Compensation. This matter has been referred to our National Liaison Nyssa McPhail, who is establishing a task force to consider fees chargeable by RMTs.

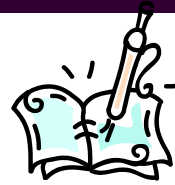
Rob McGrigor
Chair, AMTA-QLD

Please note change of AMTA-QLD postal address:

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Save the date....



AMTA-Qld AGM

This year's AGM will be held on **Saturday 10 October**. The AGM is a great opportunity to catch up on what's been happening in your committee for the past year, and a chance to become more involved in your state branch. **Everyone welcome!**

Application forms for positions will be sent out by 22 August. If you wish to be considered, these forms **MUST** be returned to AMTA-Qld by 19 October.

Check your emails for further details!

"The Reclaimers" Street Orchestra Project

Mission Australia, Brisbane City Council, Red-link and Community are providing members of the general public with the opportunity to construct stringed, percussion and wind instruments. During these sessions there will be both small and large group music making and food is provided. For further information please contact Charles Neville on 0439767159 or at charles@cyberferal.com.

The details for the events are below:

Days: Mondays and Thursdays
Dates: June 15 – Sept 30 2009
Time: 9am – 3pm
Address: Under Community Hall, Bedford Park, Love Street, Spring Hill



ATTENTION ALL RMTs!!!

Do you like good food and company?

We are asking for expressions of interest for a RMT social breakfast on the **8th of August**

at the Spoon Deli
 Paddington at 10am.

Please contact Lisa
 (lisamarie_bartlett@hotmail.com) if you think
 would be interested in attending such an
 event...



Professional Development & Other Useful Opportunities....

34th AMTA NATIONAL CONFERENCE

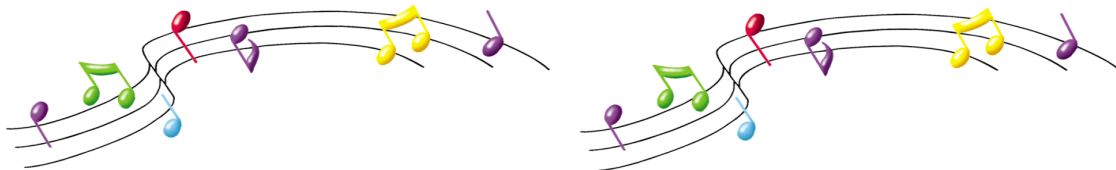
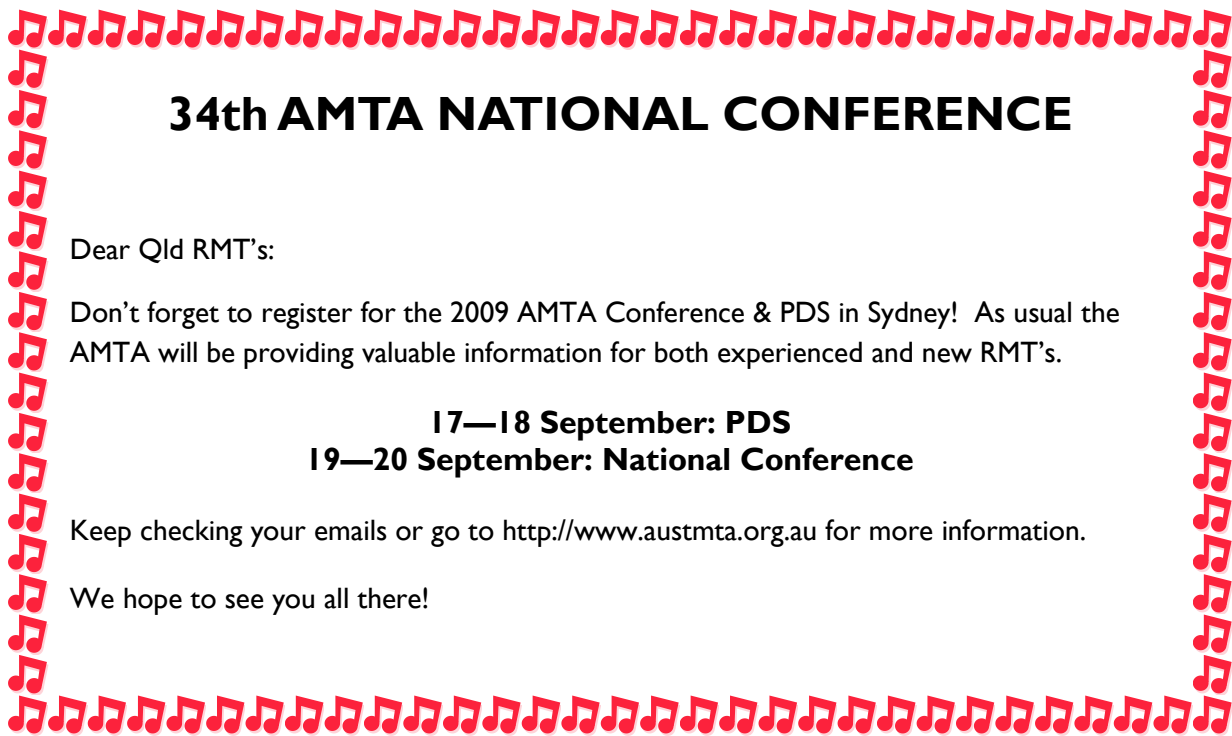
Dear Qld RMT's:

Don't forget to register for the 2009 AMTA Conference & PDS in Sydney! As usual the AMTA will be providing valuable information for both experienced and new RMT's.

17—18 September: PDS
19—20 September: National Conference

Keep checking your emails or go to <http://www.austmta.org.au> for more information.

We hope to see you all there!



Counselling Workshop : EOI for experienced RMT's

Attention AMTA members:

This just a friendly reminder that we are sending out an expression of interest for all experienced RMT's as whether to conduct a follow-on workshop from the previously run counselling workshop.

If you are interested please contact

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The AMTA Qld Branch is proud to present...

Dr Barbara Wheeler MT-BC

**"Music Therapy Research:
Essential To Our Work"**

This fascinating workshop will provide an overview of current Music Therapy research, followed by an interactive workshop discussing participants' own ideas for research projects.

Please bring along your current and future research ideas to discuss

Saturday 18th July,

8:30am – 12:30pm

Location: Playgroup Queensland: 86 Orchid St
Enoggera
Morning tea will be provided.

As a thank you for supporting your State branch this financial year, this seminar is FREE to all members.

Dr Barbara Wheeler is currently the director of the Music Therapy program at the University of Louisville, Kentucky USA. She edited two internationally acclaimed books: "Music Therapy Research: Quantitative and Qualitative Perspectives" and "Music Therapy Research, 2nd Edition", recognised as the most comprehensive textbooks on music therapy research to be published.

Barbara's own research has lead her to obtaining her PhD in Educational Psychology, as well as publishing numerous articles and chapters on Music Therapy with a variety of client populations. She is also the Interview Co-editor of Voices: A World Forum for Music Therapy (www.voices.no).

This workshop will be ideal for anyone currently engaged in research or considering a research project in the future. Or just come along to hear about the most recent international trends in music therapy research.

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