**2023 ACRS South Australian Chapter Report – Year in Review**

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Lisa Wundersitz (CASR) (joined Aug 2023)

**Professional Development Events**

Emergency Services Driving – Driver Development and Road Safety – Friday 3 March 2023

An interesting presentation was given by Andrew Hillier (Manager Operational Driving, South Australian Ambulance Service) to around 20 people plus those watching on-line. Andrew focused on the challenge of driver training in the ambulance service by outlining the DRIVE or Defensive & Response Vehicle Education method, teaching low risk approaches in a high risk environment, and the outcomes from implementation. He went on to introduce the Collaboration for Ambulance Driver Development – Australasia (CADDA). Attendees asked many questions after the presentation concluded, including the use of a driver training simulator.

South Australia’s Road Safety Action Plan 2023-25 – Friday 14 April 2023

Over 50 in-person and 18 on-line attendees heard Sarah Clark (Director Road Safety Policy and Research, Department for Infrastructure and Transport, SA) present an overview of South Australia’s Road Safety Strategy 2021-31 and its targets, followed by a comprehensive look at South Australia’s Road Safety Action Plan 2023-25. Sarah focused on the wide suite of performance measures and focus areas. People were very engaged with many questions being asked.

Road Corridor Safety Assessments - AusRAP, AiRAP and Imagery – Tuesday 9 May 2023

There was much interest in the room and online for presentations by Matthew Vertudaches – Senior Traffic Engineer, RAA(SA), and Peter Jamieson and Tony Campbell from Anditi. Matthew set the scene with a comprehensive overview of the AusRAP process used by the Royal Automobile Association. It was very interesting to then learn about opportunities for automating some of the AusRAP data collection processes using the mobile LiDAR and road corridor imagery capture technology offered by Anditi’s AiRAP system. Real world application of the AiRAP technology in the City of Onkaparinga and other locations were of particular interest.

Young drink drivers risk-taking behaviour – P.A.R.T.Y. Program & SAPOL – Tuesday 25 July 2023

Around 50 people attended either in person or on-line to hear Sofia Carlmark – Statewide Manager P.A.R.T.Y Program SA provide an excellent outline of the program which is aims to Prevent Alcohol and Risk-Related Trauma in Youth (P.A.R.T.Y). Originating in Canada, the program has grown to cover many nations including the US, Germany and Australia. In SA the program has support from several sponsors including AAMI, Government of South Australia health, police, emergency services and Road Safety. Sofia took the audience through how the participating youth experience the impacts of risky decisions in hospital settings, outlined the program’s reach and feedback from participants.

Senior Constable Peter Bulmer from the SAPOL Road Safety Section then gave a brief but comprehensive overview of current drink-driving enforcement and outlined the Fatal Five in an interactive manner.

Thank you to the Department for Infrastructure and Transport for provision of the venues and to The University of Adelaide and Department for Infrastructure and Transport for hosting the Zoom and Microsoft Teams platforms utilised for the webinars. Seminars / webinars are available on the ACRS YouTube Channel.

**Submissions**

* [PlanSA Greater Adelaide Regional Plan discussion paper](https://acrs.org.au/wp-content/uploads/ACRS-Submission-on-draft-Greater-Adelaide-Regional-Plan_final.pdf)
* [Infrastructure SA’s discussion paper on South Australia’s next 20-year Infrastructure Strategy](https://acrs.org.au/wp-content/uploads/ACRS-Submission-on-South-Australias-next-20-Year-State-Infrastructure-Strategy.pdf)