Biometrics by the Beach
The International Biometric Society Australasian Region conference
Novotel Pacific Bay Resort, Coffs Harbour, NSW
2 - 6 December 2007

Scientific program
Main conference theme: Biometrics safeguarding our future: our health and our air, land and water

Invited speakers:
- Peter Diggle (Lancaster University, UK and Johns Hopkins University, USA)
- Allan Donner (University of Western Ontario, Canada)
- Nick Horton (Smith College, USA)
- Kerrie Mengersen (Queensland University of Technology)
- Russell Millar (University of Auckland)
- Ross Sparks (CSIRO Mathematical and Information Sciences)
- Ari Verbyla (CSIRO Mathematical and Information Sciences and The University of Adelaide)
- Jim Zidek (University of British Columbia, Canada).

Contributed oral or poster presentations related to the conference theme or on other biometrical topics are welcome, with abstracts due by 3 August 2007.

Short courses (11am - 5.30pm Sunday 2 December 2007)
- Course 1: Model-based geostatistics, presented by Peter Diggle
- Course 2: Bayes for beginners, presented by Kerrie Mengersen

Social program
- Welcome reception (Sunday 2 December) - at the Novotel resort
- Optional organised social activities (Tuesday 4 December) including a guided walk in Dorrigo National Park, a kayaking adventure, a visit to picturesque Bellingen and a local winery, or learning some circus skills.
- Conference dinner (Wednesday 5 December) - at the Pet Porpoise Pool in Coffs Harbour.

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We look forward to seeing you there!