

Outline for PFET Journal Club Topics

Plan:

- Monthly Journal Club Feb-Nov, no journal club in month of AHSS Annual Scientific Meeting
- 2nd full week of the month, rotating Monday to Thurs
- Topics are general topics - see subheadings for examples of what could be included
- Topic guidance is to ensure spread of curriculum is catered for, allowing that some curriculum topics don't make for good journal clubs
- Expert panel 3 invited consultants
All PFET fellows and panel can contribute
Other attendees: attendance not restricted but can only contribute by invitation (zoom hand up) controlled by PFET trainee coordinator
- Number of papers restricted to max 4 for discussion
- Journal Club information and articles are to be emailed to education@ahss.org.au 2 weeks prior to scheduled Journal Club for distribution to AHSS Membership.

Responsibilities of the PFET running the Journal Club and faculty members:

- We expect the PFET trainee running the journal club to take primary responsibility for the session.
 - The PFET committee has established a database of AHSS members willing to be contacted to participate as faculty.
 - Once you have a topic we recommend contacting someone (or several people) on the database with an interest in the topic to confirm that they are happy to be involved. Hopefully they can suggest other members to help make up the faculty.
 - Journal articles should be chosen by either the PFET trainee or the faculty members but we would hope that the faculty have at least confirmed that they believe the articles suggested will lead to robust discussion to make the journal club worthwhile.
 - If you are having trouble finding faculty or articles please let the PFET directors know.
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Time: 7:00 pm AEST

Jan-April/ 7pm Brisbane
 Oct-Dec: 8pm Melbourne and Sydney
 7:30pm Adelaide
 6:30pm Darwin
 5pm Perth

Apr-Oct: 7pm Brisbane, Melbourne, Sydney
 6:30pm Adelaide, Darwin
 5pm Perth

Curriculum Unit	Journal Club Topics
I Fractures, dislocations and carpal instability	MCPJ/ PIPJ trauma/ (phalangeal fractures) Fractures about the wrist TFCC/ ulnar wrist pain Carpal instability
II Nerve and tendon injury	Tendon injuries/ pathology
III Soft tissue cover and vessel injury	Soft tissue cover Soft tissue injury/ mutilating hand injury/ amputation
IV Nerve compression and tendon transfers	Brachial plexus/ nerve injury CP/ tetraplegia
V Arthritis/ Degenerative	Arthroplasty small joint Arthroplasty wrist Rheumatoid/ inflammatory arthritis (TFCC/ Ulnar wrist pain)
VI General hand conditions	Connective tissue disorders Infection Congenital Tumours
Other/ technical	Arthroscopy Pain Mx/ medicolegal/ occupational

Topics are broad general topics and it is expected a small subtopic will be focussed on for journal club discussion. The purpose of the journal club is not to cover an entire topic but to have focussed discussion on an area of interest. The purpose of assigning topics is to give some structure to the journal club and ensure a breadth of topics is covered.

Eg

‘Soft Tissue Cover’ includes finger tip amputations, flaps to the hand etc

‘Carpal instability’ includes scapholunate instability, perilunate dislocations, Keinbocks

‘Brachial plexus/ nerve injury’ covers any plexus injury/ investigation/ management, reconstruction, nerve transfer, peripheral nerve injury.

Topics and dates for 2024/25

No.	Month	Day/Date	Topic
2024			
1	Feb	Mon 26 th	Carpal instability
2	March	Tues 12 th	Rheumatoid/ inflammatory arthritis
3	April	Thurs 11 th	Cerebral Palsy/ Tetraplegia/ Spasticity
4	June	Mon 17 th	Infection
5	July	Tues 9 th	Tendon injuries/ pathology
6	August	Wed 14 th	Pain management/ medicolegal/ occupational
7	September	Thurs 12 th	TFCC/ ulnar wrist pain
8	October	Mon 14 th	Congenital
9	November	Tues 12 th	Soft tissue injury/ mutilating hand injury/ amputation
2025			
10	February	Wed 12 th	Fractures about the wrist
11	March	Thurs 13 th	Brachial plexus/ nerve injury
12	April	Mon 14 th	Carpal instability
13	June	Tues 17 th	Connective tissue disorders
14	July	Wed 16 th	Arthroplasty small joint
15	August	Thurs 14 th	Tumours
16	September	Mon 8 th	Soft tissue cover
17	October	Tues 14 th	Arthroscopy
18	November	Wed 12 th	Arthroplasty wrist