

## Evidentially eviDent, members say

ADAVB members recently had the opportunity to get first hand knowledge about Australia's first dental practice based research network (DPBRN), eviDent at a Branch CPD event.

They were able to ask eviDent's co-ordinator, Ms Meaghan Quinn, questions about the network and find out how they could participate. Branch President, Dr Anne Harrison, was also at the stand distributing promotional material.

"We were delighted with the response," Ms Quinn said. "Members showed a genuine interest with a number wanting to be involved in some form of research."

eviDent is jointly supported by the Cooperative Research Centre for Oral Health

Science (CRC-OHS) and ADAVB. The network aims to move research out of the laboratory and into the practice.

Ms Quinn said she was not surprised by the very positive reaction, as members have altruistic aims of improving patient care and wanting to inform policy and implement research findings – the every essence of eviDent.

Interested in learning more about eviDent? Then contact Ms Quinn (8825 4603) or email [meaghan.quinn@adavb.org](mailto:meaghan.quinn@adavb.org)

*ADAVB President, Dr Anne Harrison (left) and eviDent's Co-ordinator, Ms Meaghan Quinn, with some promotional brochures. Photo JW*



## VALE - PETER CLARENCE READE, AM 23/2/1930 – 2/6/2009



Peter Reade, a solitary man who spent much of his life educating others as an outstanding academic in the world of dentistry, has died of cancer in hospital in Geelong. He was 79.

He built and nurtured the research arm of the profession during the 1970s and '80s while training many of today's leading clinicians and academics in Australia and from overseas.

Dr Reade, who was dean of Melbourne University's dental school, was also the author of scientific research unparalleled in Australia.

He significantly shaped the lives of many, in particular post-graduate students who flowed through the dental school from 1968 to this year.

Born in Adelaide into a family who were originally farmers on the Cape York Peninsula, he attended Adelaide Technical High School, where he was an excellent sportsman and head prefect.

He went on to graduate in dentistry in 1952, and briefly entered general private dental practice and taught part-time in conservative dentistry.

After 15 years of postgraduate training in Adelaide (PhD), and post-doctoral studies in London and at Harvard, in 1968 Melbourne University offered him the opportunity to form a new department of dental medicine and surgery.

He built a dedicated team of high quality academics and clinicians and for the next 24 years oversaw a robust and expanding training program for dental undergraduate and post-graduate students.

Most now hold positions of influence in many spheres of dental and medical science.

In 1992, Dr Reade retired from a full-time academic position and in 1994 he became professor emeritus and was honoured as a Member of the Order of Australia.

During his career he supervised two doctors of philosophy, 52 masters of dental science, and published more than 400 refereed scientific journal articles.

Dr Reade worked long and hard in dentistry but relaxed as a farmer and gardener.

Home was a small farm near Gisborne, where he grew crops and ran sheep, cattle and deer. His wife Ene, a microbiologist, was a constant support. Two daughters from an earlier marriage, Wendy and Kate, lived in Adelaide while his son, Tom, grew up on the farm.

Dr Reade loved vintage cars, and as an honorary life member of the Sporting Car Club of South Australia he always dreamt of fully restoring his beloved Bristol.

He never stopped striving to do his best, something never more evident than when he contracted cancer 12 years ago.

He continued to work and function against adversity, inspiring many.

He loved hard work, adventure and history. Exciting travel was always paramount, ranging from walking the Kokoda Track and other battlefields to working among Aborigines in outback Australia in the 1950s with his mentor, Professor Draper Campbell.

He kept his own council and rarely judged others openly. Although religious in his early years he moved away from this and found inner satisfaction through helping others.

He is survived by Ene, his three children and grandchildren.

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