



## Friday 15 May 2026

8.00am – 5.00pm	ALS 2 facilitated by ACRRM – register here <a href="https://mycollege.acrrm.org.au/search/find-college-event/details?ID=38050">https://mycollege.acrrm.org.au/search/find-college-event/details?ID=38050</a>
8.00am – 5.00pm	The Chronic wound management for GPs workshop – hosted by RACGP. Register here: <a href="https://www1.racgp.org.au/events/booking/registration?eventid=NRF2526_23">https://www1.racgp.org.au/events/booking/registration?eventid=NRF2526_23</a>
2.00pm – 5.00pm	<b>Mini Careers Fair</b> – opportunity for medical students and prevocational doctors to learn more about training and career opportunities available in rural Victoria.
6.30pm – 8.30pm	<b>VRHC26 Welcome Reception</b> – Sea Life Aquarium

## Saturday 16 May 2026

8.30am	Opening Plenary Session Welcome to Country RDAV President Dr Louise Manning Address Gold Partner Address - Dr Rod Martin President ACRRM Opening Key Note - More than a 'head knock'. Sports-related concussion, CTE, and the rural doctor. Prof Alan Pearce
10.15am – 11am	Morning Tea – foyer

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11am – 12noon	<b>Women’s Health – menopause treatment plans for RG context</b> Dr Carmen Brown	<b>Perioperative Care – RG approach to Quality and Safety</b> Dr Rob Phair	<b>Find my mentor &amp; making the most of the opportunity – Panel discussion.</b>	<b>You should ask that!! – A panel of future rural doctors will answer all the questions of senior rural doctors &amp; recruiters on how to attract, support and get the most out of the future workforce.</b>
12.00pm – 1.00pm	<b>Improving Access to Fertility Care for Rural and Regional Patients</b> – Practical Pathways for General Practice Dr Anju Agarwa Fertility Specialist Monash IVF	<b>Urology Update –</b> Dr Janelle Brennan	<b>Family History Matters: Assessing and Managing Inherited Cancer Risk</b> Michael Bogwitz Senior Genetic Counsellor Cabrini Family Cancer Clinic Hospital	<b>Suturing Workshop</b> Drs Dorothy Chua & Quinton
1pm – 2.00pm	<b>Lunch</b>			
2.00pm – 3.00pm	<b>Plenary Speaker – Prof Jenny May National Rural Health Commissioner</b>			
3.15pm – 4.00pm	<b>RDAV Forum – La Trobe Room.</b> Members and Non-Members Welcome. Key issues impacting on rural doctors & advocacy priorities. La Trobe Room	<b>Afternoon Tea – Foyer Area</b>		

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4.00pm – 4.45pm	<b>Abortion Stigma</b> Dr Louise Manning	<b>Management of Sexual Assault</b> Dr Stephanie MacPherson	<b>Women Can Play Ball Too: Kicking Goals by Bringing Female Specialist Expertise to Rural Victoria</b> Dr Melissa Beitner	<b>The retention equation = training + belonging + opportunity</b> Dr Dorothy Chua, Dr Quinton Smith and Dr Glenn Davies
6.00pm – 7.00pm	<b>RACGP Member Pre Dinner Function – La Trobe Room</b> Register here <a href="https://www1.racgp.org.au/events/booking/registration?eventid=NRF2526_24">https://www1.racgp.org.au/events/booking/registration?eventid=NRF2526_24</a>			
6.30pm – 11.00pm	<b>VRHC26 Predinner Drinks &amp; Gala Dinner</b> – Pullman on the Park Ballroom. Thank you to our Gala Dinner Partner RWAV.			

## Sunday 17 May 2026

7.00am to 8.00am	ACRRM Member Networking Breakfast – La Trobe Room Register Here: <a href="https://mycollege.acrrm.org.au/search/find-college-event/details?ID=40509">https://mycollege.acrrm.org.au/search/find-college-event/details?ID=40509</a>
8.45am – 10.00am	Day 2 Plenary – What is next for Rural Generalism in Victoria? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• VRGP – Helen Finneran, Manager VRGP</li> <li>• ACRRM – Katrina Vazzoler, Training Network Coordinator</li> <li>• RACGP - Dr Christie Rodda, Deputy Chair RACGP Rural</li> <li>• RDAV – Dr Louise Manning RDAV President</li> <li>• RDAA – Dr Sarah Chalmers RDAA President</li> </ul>
10.00am – 10.30am	Morning tea - Foyer

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10.30am – 11.30am	<p>F*%ked Up? What's next? From mistake to recovery. Dr Emily Harrison</p> <p>Junior Ballroom</p>	<p><b>You Can't Ask That – but today you can.</b> For medical students &amp; prevocational doctors get your questions answered by registrars and new Fellows you have survived and thrived in rural training. La Trobe Room</p>
11.35 – 1.00pm	<p>Closing Plenary – Improving Aboriginal Health through cultural solutions Dr Simon Quilty Wilya Janta</p>	
1.00pm	<p>Travelling lunch</p>	

*Please note program is subject to change.*

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