2014 ASE UNDERGRADUATE ESSAY COMPETITION

Topic: “Should retention of a tooth be an important goal of dentistry? How do you decide whether to retain and restore a tooth requiring endodontic treatment or extract and if possible replace the tooth.”

Eligibility: Students in the last two years of Undergraduate (e.g. BDsc, BDS) or Graduate-entry (e.g. DMD, DDS) Dentistry degree courses at an Australian, New Zealand or Fijian University.

Prizes:

* First Prize: $1,500
  Plus a framed certificate. The winning essay will also be published in the Australian Endodontic Journal, at the discretion of the Editor.

* Second Prize: $750 plus a framed certificate.

Each prize winner will also receive one year's free subscription to the Australian Endodontic Journal.

Closing Date: 5th September 2014.

Essays must be submitted to the Lecturer-in-charge of Endodontics at each Dental School by this date.

Conditions and Notes:

1. Essays must not exceed 3000 words with a maximum of 50 references. Essays should be typewritten and double spaced on one side only of A4 size paper.

2. Essays must conform to the "Guidelines for Contributors" for the Australian Endodontic Journal as published in each issue of the journal.

3. Submitted entries from each Dental School will initially be assessed by the Lecturer(s) in charge of Endodontics at that School. The Lecturer will choose the best 2 essays from each School that will then be forwarded to the Federal office of the ASE Inc. for judging. Entries must reach the ASE Inc. Secretary/Treasurer by 5th September 2014.

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4. Two copies of the entries from each State must be submitted and no names or identifying marks should appear on the essay. Two hard copies of the entries should be accompanied by two computer diskettes or CDs, and two hard copies of any attachments (eg radiographs). The candidate's name, email address, home address and University name should appear on a separate page loosely attached to the essay, and not identified on the entry in any way.

5. Essays will be coded for anonymity and sent to two judges appointed by the ASE Inc. Federal Executive. The decisions of the judges shall be final.

6. All essays must be submitted by one individual only. Joint submissions will not be considered.