



ASSOCIATION OF ORTHOPAEDIC TECHNICIANS REGIONAL MEETINGS

During the AOT road shows, one topic enthused about, was the idea of having regional AOT meetings around the country.

The idea would be that each designated region should hold at least 2 regional meetings per year and report back to the national committee of the AOT, with the convenor of each region attending the AOT executive meeting twice a year.

We believe this would be an effective way of collecting constructive feed back from the membership around the UK, whilst at the same time creating a positive and expansive networking system.

The meetings should be;

Informative
Educational

Help Promote Membership and communication between the membership and the National Committee
Raise the Profile of the Orthopaedic Technician and the level of Professionalism

They could be held in; Hospital meeting / casting rooms; The local pub; Hotels.

Meetings could be supported by companies who may wish to supply a meeting room in a hotel with sandwiches and refreshments in exchange for allowing them to present at the meeting.

Local medical, nursing and technician staff could be asked if they would like to give a lecture

Initial thoughts on the 5 regions, are:

- (A) London + South East England
- (B) Bristol + South Wales + South West England
- (C) North East England + Scotland
- (D) North West England + North Wales
- (E) Birmingham + Central England

Every effort should be made to cover the largest area possible and give the widest coverage.

Each loosely designated area, the '**Convenor**' can encourage meetings to move around a number of sites, and no member or technician (and a non-member), irrespective of region should be barred from attending unless there is due reason.

Encourage advertising of each meeting on the AOT Website.

The new structure of the AOT Committee would be as follows;

Chairman
Vice Chairman
Secretary
Treasurer
Membership Secretary
5 Regional Convenors

Advisor to the AOT
AfC / Union Advisor to the AOT

Overleaf :

Please write no more than 250 words on how you intend to promote the AOT and the Orthopaedic Technician profile.



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I, _____ would wish to

Signed : _____

Date :

Send both sheets - three pages - to : **Nigel Ford** AOT Secretary - address shown at the foot of page three.

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TERMS :

Each Region will have a Convenor and an Assistant Convenor.

There should be at least 2 regional meetings per year with a written and full report submitted to the Secretary within 10 working days, following the meeting.

The convenor, or the assistant convenor, will also be expected to attend national meetings in June (Annual Conference week) and September (Meet The Sponsors Weekend)

No expenses will be paid for regional meetings unless previously agreed by the Treasurer.

Standard expenses will be paid to attend national committee meetings as per the AOT constitution.

Regional Convenors **or** their nominated Assistant would be expected to attend conference each year as a working member of the National Committee. Standard expenses will be paid.

Regional committees will remain under the direction of the AOT Executive and may not make written or verbal statements in the name of, or on behalf of the Association, without prior agreement from the AOT Executive.

Each Regional Post must stand for election each year prior to the AOT Annual General Meeting.

The new convenor will be announced during the regions annual report.

When possible a new convenor and assistant should be elected each year.

The first term of office will be until June 2009, thereafter annually.

Each Convenor will be a member of the full AOT committee and therefore have full voting rights as per the constitution.

The AOT Executive Committee invite all interested members to write in to the Secretary, declaring their interest.

Application form below

The Executive will interview each short listed applicant and will announce the successful candidate on the AOT web site. Following the appointment the convenor will be directed to return to their region and appoint their Assistant Convenor.

I wish to be nominated for the position of Regional Convenor

Each post should have a proposer and seconder holding a current BCC Certificate

All nominees are required be a full member of the AOT for a minimum of 2 years and be a holder of the BCC Certificate.

(Please Print)

Region you wish to stand for? _____

Name _____

Hospital _____

E Mail : _____ contact number _(0) _____

Proposed by _____ contact number _(0) _____

Seconded by _____ contact number _(0) _____

Please send your completed application (Pages Two and Three) to :

Nigel Ford AOT Secretary
Fracture Clinic Level 1
Torbay Hospital
Torquay TQ2 7AA

Closing Date 31st August 2007