

Wednesday 22nd June 2005
Stamford Plaza Melbourne
Buckingham Room
111 Little Collins Street
Melbourne, Victoria 3000

2:15pm Registration – Afternoon Tea

2:30pm Welcome

Tony Wohlers, SMUG President,

2:35pm SUGI now and in the future (with crystal ball)

David Johnson, Independent Consultant, DKV.J Consultancies

***Abstract** — Presenting highlights from SUGI 30 at Philadelphia, and some expectations for next year's SUGI in San Francisco. We'll look at SUGI's strengths and offerings and discuss some of the features of the conference. We'll also look at the best way to get value from attending the world's largest SAS User Group meeting, and discuss whether the Australian involvement could be increased, and what lessons might be learned in Australia.*

***Bio** — David Johnson is an independent SAS consultant who works in Australia, England and Europe. He works primarily with web reporting, production systems, data warehouse, process re-engineering and Applications development. He has presented at SMUG, SUGA, SeUGI, Views and SUGI. He was co-chair of Posters in Philadelphia and will chair Applications Development in San Francisco.*

3:20pm What's new at SAS?

James Foster, Senior Technology Architect, SAS Institute Australia

***Abstract** – SAS 9 has brought with it significant changes to the way SAS software can be installed and configured. Concepts such as using a SAS Software Depot, the SAS Software Navigator and installation plan files will be discussed.*

In addition, we will also look at upcoming releases, such as Service Pack 3. There will also be opportunity for Q & A.

***Bio** — James is part of the SAS team in Melbourne and is responsible for thought leadership in creating and implementing technology road maps for SAS customers in both the sales and delivery cycles. Prior to working for SAS, James was a SAS customer for many years, with a background in Data Warehousing, ETL development and Business Intelligence.*

3:45pm ETL Framework

John Gilbert, Independent Consultant, Marabou Pty Ltd

***Abstract** – Many data warehouses have significant problems with the processes that extract, transform and load the data (the ETL processes). These problems are often due to the design of the processes rather than the architecture or technology that is being used.*

This presentation outlines an ETL framework that applies traditional IT design principles to add rigour and structure to ETL design that can provide significant value to clients implementing data warehouse solutions. The framework is product-neutral and does not consider the different design and implementation issues that may arise for different ETL software products.

The intended audience of this presentation is primarily ETL designers/developers. It is aimed at providing them with a high-level framework for designing ETL solutions. It is also intended for data architects and data modelers who define the data models and data mappings that are used by the ETL designer. It will give them an insight into the ETL design process and an understanding of how their logical data models and mappings are physically implemented.

***Bio** – John has over 17 years experience in the IT industry and works as a strategist/data architect in the delivery of data warehouse and business intelligence solutions.*

4:30pm Door Prizes

One lucky attendee will win a free SAS course! The only obligation is to present a short report to a SMUG meeting about the course.

4:45pm Finish

Please register your attendance for the SMUG meeting by calling **Shona Kelly** on **(03) 9864 8232** or email us at smug@oz.sas.com by Friday 17th June 2005.

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