

Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> December 2005  
 PricewaterhouseCoopers Building  
 Level 10  
 201 Sussex Street  
 Sydney NSW 2001

5:15pm **Registration**

5:30pm **Tips for Dealing with Large Data Set**

*Stephen Hanks, CRM Team Leader*

OPSM

***Bio** – Stephen Hanks is a technical SAS specialist with over 10 years SAS experience. He started using SAS as a statistician with the Health Insurance Commission, and has since used SAS for other tasks including statistics, data warehousing and CRM. Stephen has worked in a variety of industries including government, insurance, banking and retail and is currently employed as CRM Team Leader at OPSM.*

***Abstract** – This presentation will show a small collection of ideas and tips to assist in writing SAS code with large data sets and where the timing of jobs is of importance. Most of the tips are simple Base SAS ideas for greater efficiencies however there will be a quick discussion on how SPDS and SPDE can be used.*

6:00pm **Enterprise Miner 5.2: Integrated Data Mining Solution – new features and approaches**

*Yuri Zbrutsky, Senior Technical Specialist*

SAS Australia & New Zealand

***Bio** – Yuri joined SAS in February 2005, having previously worked as a freelance Data Analyst for Intel Asia Pacific. Previously he worked in Germany for four years as a Software Engineer and IT Consultant in ATOSS Software. Some of his major projects included Lufthansa Systems and Austrian Post. He holds a Bachelor of Computer Science and Master Of Applied Financial Mathematics.*

***Abstract** – This presentation demonstrates the new features and architecture of SAS Enterprise Miner 5.2. SAS Enterprise Miner 5.2 is a continuation of SAS multi-technique and multi-purpose visual data mining tool. The focus of the new system is to deliver additional advanced visualizations, new interactive data preparation facilities, improved integrated architecture, enhanced client and server performance, as well as new and enhanced tools.*

6:20pm **SAS Keyboard Macro Files – A great way to share**

*Stuart Dennon, Programmer*

Sysware Consulting

***Bio** – Stuart Dennon has worked as an analyst and SAS programmer since 1995 on a variety of projects ranging from CRM to Data Warehousing, and is currently engaged with St George Bank on their SAS Basel II system implementation. Stuart has taught SAS programming to staff and research students at both Sydney University and UNSW and is completing a PhD in the School of Banking and Finance at the University of NSW, looking at what the Nokia stock price bubble can tell us about contemporary theories in behavioural finance.*

***Abstract** – The SAS Keyboard Macro File (KMF) is a wonderful feature that is very useful for automating repetitive coding tasks and for storing SAS syntax. KMF's are especially good for storing and sharing "code snippets" that do useful things. Stuart will introduce the KMF feature and walk through some examples to show how KMF files can facilitate getting data into SAS and doing something with it. Bring along your favourite SAS tip, technique, or code snippet on a USB memory stick and we will build a KMF on the day for subsequent distribution via the SNUG website.*

6:40pm **Christmas Drinks**

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Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2005

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