



*Dear Colleague*

## What's new at Braemar?

Michael Woodfield is a New Zealand trained and qualified Plastic, Reconstructive and Cosmetic Surgeon with specialised training from world renowned surgeons in hand and microvascular surgery, paediatric plastic surgery and cosmetic surgery.



Now resident in Hamilton, Mike is passionate about providing the highest standard of surgical expertise and care for the people of the Waikato, Taranaki and Bay of Plenty regions.

Mike is currently on the Council of the New Zealand Association of Plastic Surgeons, and is a member of the Australasian Society of Aesthetic Plastic Surgeons. As part of being a Consultant Plastic Surgeon at Waikato Hospital, Mike is a member of Multidisciplinary Working Groups on Melanoma Skin Cancer, Head and Neck Cancer, Vascular Anomalies, Non-melanotic Skin Cancer, and Cleft Lip and Palate Surgery. He is also involved in the ongoing teaching and training of future plastic surgeons.

Providing the highest standard of surgical care, Mike is an affiliated provider with Southern Cross Healthcare and a regular provider of surgery for ACC.

Mike graduated from Otago Medical School in 1998, and was President of his class. He went on to complete a Diploma in Paediatric Medicine from the University of Auckland before pursuing surgical training. He gained valuable experience in general surgery, paediatric surgery and neurosurgery before completing his Plastic and Reconstructive surgical training and becoming a Fellow of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons (FRACS) in 2010.

After achieving his FRACS, Mike was appointed as a Consultant Plastic Surgeon at Middlemore Hospital in Auckland.

He then chose to pursue further fellowship training in Melbourne,

Australia, at the Royal Children's Hospital. Working with leading plastic surgeons Mike specialised in paediatric plastic surgery and hand and microvascular surgery. He gained specific experience in brachial plexus reconstruction, complex hand surgery, congenital hand surgery, microtia, and smile reconstruction for facial palsy.

While in Melbourne Mike was also involved in numerous cosmetic procedures including facelifts, eyelid rejuvenation, advanced rhinoplasty, breast augmentation and reduction, body contouring and abdominoplasty. Mike also held a Plastic Trauma Consultant post at the Epworth Hospital in Melbourne.

When not busy with surgery, Mike is busy at home with his four young children, or can be found relaxing with a fishing rod, or, more infrequently now, a surfboard or skis.

*Braemar wishes all GPs a very festive holiday season.*

## Best wishes for 2014

The end of 2013 is fast approaching and most of us will then have the opportunity to relax and enjoy the company of family and friends over the festive season.

It has been another busy year at Braemar as we introduced new services and welcomed new Specialists to our hospital.

The introduction of Cancer Care and Breath Testing during the year will be followed by a Colonoscopy Screening service in the New Year.

We welcomed Mike Woodfield (featured in this newsletter), Anna Goodwin (Medical Oncology) and Mr Rafique (General Surgery and Endoscopy) during 2013.

GP seminars, led by Dr Lynda Priest, covering a variety of aspects were very well attended by GPs. More are planned for next year. If there are certain aspects of Specialist care that you would like covered please do let us know (email Tracey.Noorland@braemarthospital.co.nz)

Braemar Hospital has been an enthusiastic supporter of the Waikato Breast Cancer Trust's Pink Walk for many years. Braemar Hospital is the Gold sponsor of the

walk joining many other Waikato organisations supporting the cause. For the eighth year running the Hamilton lakeside and Innes Common turned pink as men, women, children and dogs dressed in all shapes and shades of fancy dress pink participated.

We continue to receive outstanding feedback through our patient satisfaction surveys. We do take patient feedback very seriously and act accordingly when suggestions for improvement are made.

We will be celebrating the 5th anniversary of the opening of our new hospital next April. The integration of the day hospital into the main hospital has gone very well with staff and specialists enjoying the benefits of being on one site.

We thank you for your support and send our best wishes for 2014.

Kind Regards,



Pat Bary – Chairman

## Dr Michael Woodfield

### Qualifications

FRACS (Pl Rec Surg) 2010  
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MB ChB 1998 Otago  
BSc 1993 Otago

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### Areas of Specialisation

Melanoma and Skin Cancer  
Breast Surgery  
Hand Surgery  
Paediatric Plastic Surgery  
Reconstructive Surgery  
Cosmetic Surgery

### Specialist Training

Fellow of the Royal Australasian  
College of Surgeons (Plastic and  
Reconstructive Surgery)

Royal Australasian College  
of Surgeons, New Zealand

Paediatric Hand and  
Microvascular Fellowship, Royal  
Childrens Hospital, Melbourne,  
Victoria, Australia

### Positions & Memberships

Council Member, New Zealand  
Association of Plastic Surgeons

Member, Australasian Society of  
Aesthetic Plastic Surgeons

### Currently Working at Braemar Hospital?

Yes

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