

**Asian
Physics
Olympiad**

Adelaide, Australia | 5–13 May 2019

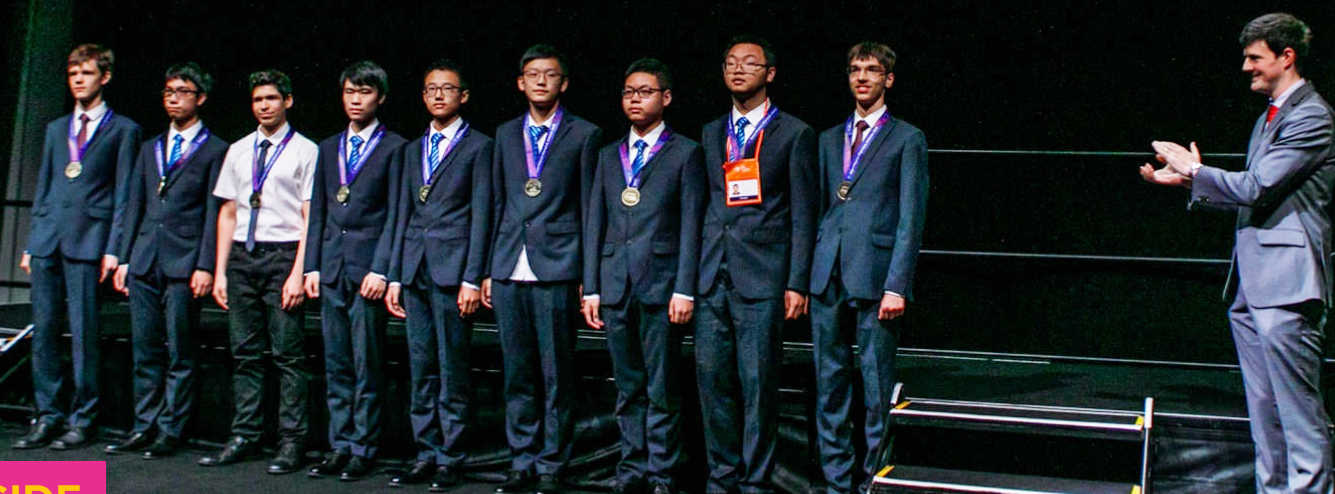
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Gravitas was inspired by the Latin word for 'Gravity', it being the fundamental force of nature that holds our universe together - much like the passion for physics that binds people of diverse backgrounds and aspirations at a momentous occasion like APhO.



RAISING THE BAR



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Top performing students bring home coveted medals

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Excitement builds up at awards ceremony

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CLOSING CEREMONY

HIGHLIGHTS

THE APhO 2019 COMPETITION MAY BE OVER, BUT IT SHALL NOT BE FORGOTTEN

Over the past week, all eyes were on Adelaide as Asia's top physics students came together in a merging of knowledge, cultures and creation of new friendships. This took place at the much talked about Asian Physics Olympiad 2019 that finally came to an end last night after the competition winners were crowned.

Throughout the week, it had been clear that the competition was more than an event that put physics knowledge to the test. Students spent time getting to know one another and working field investigations together, in turn sharing knowledge and creating lasting memories.

"You being here demonstrates your abilities, and commitment to learning and challenging yourself with healthy competition, which sets you up for the future. By coming here to connect with others and to build a collaborative skill that are essential for all modern occupations, you are setting yourselves on excellent paths.

"The contacts you take away from here are every bit as important as the academic learning you've done to get here," said Dr Matthew Verdon, Chair of APhO Academic Committee in his address at the ceremony.

This year's competition saw 9 gold, 16 silver and 33 bronze medalists. The ceremony was streamed live on Facebook, which engaged viewers from all over the world.

Before the ceremony concluded, the host city of the next APhO was announced and a short video presentation was delivered by the Taiwanese organiser.

The ceremonious affair ended beautifully with a captivating performance of Kaurana and Narungga man Jack Buckskin and the Kuma Kaaru dancers who bid farewell to the delegates through a special indigenous dance.



SPECIAL PRIZE WINNERS

- OVERALL WINNER**
GRIGORII BOBKOV, RUSSIA
- THEORETICAL WINNER**
RUOYU YAN, CHINA
- EXPERIMENTAL WINNER**
RASSUL MAGAUI, KAZAKHSTAN
- BEST FEMALE PERFORMER**
SHU GE, SINGAPORE
- BEST AUSTRALIAN PERFORMER**
STEPHEN CATSAMAS

PRESIDENT'S AWARDS WINNERS

- BEST MALE PERFORMER**
GRIGORII BOBKOV, RUSSIA
- BEST FEMALE PERFORMER**
SHU GE, SINGAPORE
- MOST CREATIVE THEORETICAL SOLUTION**
GRIGORII BOBKOV, RUSSIA
- MOST CREATIVE EXPERIMENTAL SOLUTION**
CHUN-WANG CHAU, HONG KONG
- MOST DESERVING MALE**
SIMON YUNG, AUSTRALIA
- MOST DESERVING FEMALE**
ROSEMARY ZIELINSKI

AUSSIE WORD OF THE DAY

'HOOROO'

Commonly used in Australia to say 'goodbye'.

E.g. "Hooroo, see ya real soon!"

WEATHER



Partly
cloudy

High 19° Low 11°

Stay warm and wishing you
all a safe flight home.

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Kaurna miyurna, Kaurna yarta, ngadlu taminthi

The Asian Physics Olympiad Committee acknowledges that we are meeting on the traditional country of the Kaurna people of the Adelaide Plains. We recognise and respect their cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship with the land. We acknowledge that they are of continuing importance to the Kaurna people living today.

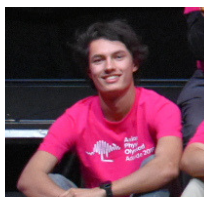
MESSAGES FROM OUR TEAM GUIDES



NISHKA TAPASWI

India

"I just want to thank all the teams for coming and being such lovely students. I hope they had the best week and I know they're going to do amazingly in the future."



**ALISTAIR DE
VROET**

Cambodia & UAE

"Cambodia is such a fun team to get to know. We discussed all sorts of subject matters. I wish them all the best in the future and I also really want the team of United Arab Emirates to know that they should be very proud of what they were able to do in such a short time. I'd like to thank them for how well they participated in all the events."



**DIAN DINI
PRIMADANI**

Singapore

"Sometimes you get very concerned about the results and the competition, but you don't have to. The most important thing is that you helped each other as a team and now you've all become better. The achievement you've made at your age is outstanding. I hope all students enjoyed APHO 2019 and will positively impact the society in the future."

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CONGRATULATIONS ON COMPLETING APHO 2019

Adelaide has been proud to host you and watch on as you have challenged yourselves, stretched your intellectual capability and connected with people from all over the world.

We hope you have enjoyed your stay in Adelaide and come back to visit—or even join us at the University of Adelaide on our quest to push the boundaries of understanding and discovery in physics.

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