



AN INTRODUCTION TO FORENSICS – SEMINAR SERIES 2018 SPEAKER PROFILE

James (Jim) Munday and Belinda (BJ) Jones with Bruce Smith Barrister

Jim Munday joined the (UK) Metropolitan Police Forensic Science Laboratory in 1972 working with forensic analysis relating to drugs and toxicology, criminalistics, crime scene examination and evidence retrieval before transferring in 1979 to the specialist Fire Investigation Unit. He remained in that role with what became known as the (UK) Forensic Science Service till 1998 when he commenced his own firm. He has examined the scenes of more than 1800 fires and explosions including over 350 fatalities as well as providing expert opinions in criminal, civil and coronial proceedings and giving evidence in Courts numerous times.

Belinda Jones did her BSc (App Chem) in validating Canine Accelerant Detection in a program with NSW Fire Brigade and her MSc (Forensic Science) in relation to Accelerants for the Development of a Biosensor. She worked as a crime scene investigator with NSW Police Service for 5 years dealing with evidence collection including gross and trace DNA, clothing, finger prints, scene and victim photography and completion of forensic procedures including a secondment to Westmead Laboratory for sample identification. She then worked for a leading insurer as a fire investigator before joining Jim Munday as a principal investigator. She has examined over 400 incident scenes including structures, vehicles and machinery including mining and ship/boat machinery.