**Australian Acoustical Society Technical Meeting**  
Queensland Division

**Date:**  
6:30pm March 7, 2012

**Topic:**  
Learning about Leisure Noise: An overview of recent research at NAL

**Speaker:**  
Dr Elizabeth Beach  
Research Psychologist  
National Acoustic Laboratories  
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**Technical Meeting Summary:**  
In this talk, Elizabeth will outline recent research undertaken by the Hearing Loss Prevention Team at the National Acoustic Laboratories. She will provide an overview of studies into young adults’ leisure noise exposure, the main sources of leisure noise, development of a new leisure noise database, and encouraging earplug use in nightclubs. She will also talk about plans for future studies.

**Speaker Bio:**  
Elizabeth is a researcher at the National Acoustic Laboratories. She began working in the area of Hearing Loss Prevention in 2009 after completing undergraduate studies in Linguistics and Psychology at the University of Sydney, and a PhD in Psychology at UWS. Her main area of research is leisure noise and its impact on the overall noise exposure of young adults. She has a particular interest in noise exposure in the music and entertainment industry.

**Venue:**  
Queensland Irish Club  
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