



Conference Program

Monday 26 th August 2019			
3:00	Conference Registrations Open Upstairs Foyer at Newcastle Exhibition & Convention Centre (NEX) 309 King Street Newcastle West		
3:00	Intro to Newcastle Walking Tour – Departing from NEX		
3:30	Iconyx Weedmap Meeting – Vivid Room, NEX		
5:30 - 7:30	Welcome Reception The Avenue – 1 st Floor, NEX		
Tuesday 27 th August 2019			
	Opening Session		
Chair	Brett Miners – LLS & State Weeds Committee		
8:30	Welcome to Country		
8:35	Welcome to the Conference – Lord Mayor Nuatali Nelmes		
8:40	Opening of the Conference – TBC		
9:00	Keynote Speaker – Dr Kristine French – University of Wollongong		
9:30	Plenary Speaker – Dr Andrew McConnachie – DPI Orange		
10:00	Morning Tea and Trade Display		
	Mid-Morning Session		
	Concurrent Sessions		
	Room - The Extra	Room – The Arena	Room - The Vivid
	Theme - Biocontrol	Theme – We In Weeds	Theme – Risk Management
Chair	Terry Bignell	Ian Turnbull	Wendy Bushell
10:30	Dr Louise Morin Major biological control initiative for environmental weeds in NSW: update and future investments	Richard Carter Innovation In Australian Weed Management	Rod Ensbey Managing Cross Border Priority Weeds
10:50	Troy Brown NSW Weed Biological Control Taskforce – collaborating to maintain a functional biocontrol agent delivery pipeline	Stuart Henry Sydney Flower Markets: A Unique Weed In A Sea Of Beauty	Sam Porter Operationalising the NSW WRM
11:10	Jenny Schabel Investigating <i>Opuntia aurantiaca</i> (tiger pear) infestations in Greater Sydney and observations following cochineal biocontrol release	Garry Herbert Illegal Release of Weeds	Dr Matt Sheehan Weed Risk Management – what it can do for you
11:30	Dr Stephen Johnson What is the deal with biological herbicides?	Dr Rajendra Shilpakar Sydney WeedAPP - an example of web GIS to enhance regional scale collaborative weed management	Philip Blackmore Successes and Pitfalls a review of four historical weed incursions with lessons for the future.

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11:50	Dr Ben Godden Wandering trad (<i>Tradescantia fluminensis</i>): impacts on native vegetation and prospects for fungal biocontrol	Dr Matt Sheehan Making the most of mandatory documents	Michael Michelmores Weed risk management for district & property programs and to determine biosecurity duty
12:15	Lunch and Trade Display		
	Mid-Afternoon Session		
Chair	Jordan Skinner		
1:00	Plenary Speaker – Craig Perring - The Nursery & Garden Industry		
1:30	Plenary Speaker – Carmen Castor - University of Newcastle		
1:50	Gold Sponsor – Hunter Local Land Services		
1:55	Hunter Regional Weeds – Lorna Adlem - Stop Weeds at the Gate		
2:10	Afternoon Tea and Trade Display		
	Afternoon Session		
	Concurrent Sessions		
	Room – The Extra	Room – The Arena	
	Theme – Weed Management	Theme – Innovative Weed Control	
Chair	Maria Edmonds	Dean Semit	
2:40	Dr Nicholas Gill Track users' weed hygiene practices and attitudes in Kosciuszko National Park	Gary Leeson Turning Weeds Brown with Green Science	
3:00	Matthew McGrath Weed Hygiene Station	Jeremy Winer Holistic weed control practice for urban storm water catchments. Global trends, methods, limitations and cost benefits	
3:20	Kristen Mallinson Comparison of control techniques for <i>Opuntia aurantiaca</i> (Tiger Pear) in coastal valley grassy woodland	Tony Cook Preventing Woody Weed Spread by Stopping Seed Set	
3:40	Julia Rayment Invasion of Exotic Perennial Grasses into Threatened Ecological Communities in NSW	Amali Welgama How to Control Herbicide Resistant Weeds with Innovative Herbicide Strategies?	
4:00	Sessions End		
4:10	Weed Officers Meeting – The Arena		
6:30	Social Networking Pub Meal Honeysuckle Hotel, Lot 31 Lee Wharf C, Honeysuckle Drive, Newcastle		
Wednesday 28th August 2019			
	Opening Session		
Chair	Kim Hignell		
8:30	Keynote Speaker – Dr Sarah Richmond - Griffith University		
9:00	Plenary Speaker – Dr Elissa van Oosterhout – DPI Grafton		
9:30	Concurrent Sessions		
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	Theme – Weed Management	Theme – Alternative Weed Management	Theme – Peri Urban
Chair	Rod Ensby	Lorna Adlem	Eric Pasenow

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9:30	Mathew Warren Invasive Pests Control Scheme: a new approach to managing pests at the local government level	Den Barber Yellomundee Firesticks - Aboriginal Cultural Burning of weeds in Shaws Creek Aboriginal Place	Philip Hansen Town vs Country - the Biosecurity Act 2015 in conflict	
9:50	Charles Mifsud Frogbit (<i>Limnobium laevigatum</i>) detection and eradication in New South Wales	Dr John Van Der Kallen Novel Technique for Weed Management: Ecopigs	Dave Whiteman Weed Inspections in a Peri-Urban Landscape within the Greater Blue Mountains World Heritage Area	
10:10	Matt Bell A model for effective tenure-blind aquatic weed control	Hillary Cherry Adaptive management and accelerated commitment facilitate NSW Hawkweed Eradication	Lynette McLeod Weed management activities by peri-urban landholders: A state-wide perspective	
10:30	Morning Tea and Trade Display			
From 10:35	Field Trip	Field Trip	Field Trip	Field Trip
	No. 4 Hunter Tour Hunter Valley Boarding 10:35	No.3 Coast Tour Port Stephens Boarding 10:45	No.1 Country Tour Maitland Boarding 10:55	No.2 City Tour Newcastle & Lake Mac Boarding 11:05
4:00	Field Trips Return			
6:00 - 11:00	Conference Dinner The Arena - NEX			
Thursday 29 th August 2019				
8:00 – 9:30	Breakfast BBQ The Station – Cnr Scott & Watt Sts Newcastle			
10:00	Morning Tea and Trade Display			
	Mid-Morning Session			
	Concurrent Sessions			
	Room – The Arena		Room – The Extra	
	Theme – We in Weeds - Community Engagement		Theme – Innovations & Technology	
Chair	Terry Inkson		Doug Campbell	
10:20	Jodie Bartlett-Taylor Soft skills doing the hard work		Victor Galea and Peter Riikonen An environmentally sustainable way to control trees and shrubs with encapsulated dry herbicides.	
10:40	Wendy Gibney Increasing community engagement in green cestrum control on rural and urban properties in Maitland LGA		Philip Milling UAVs - Another tool for the urban and rural weed controller	
10:00	Kerrie Guppy Working collaboratively with community groups opposed to herbicides		Dr David Gopurenko Portable DNA diagnostics for onsite identification of Chilean needle grass and serrated tussock	
11:20	Jo-anna Skewes Community Approach to Cactus Control		Lynette Terrett We in Weeds: Using Smart technologies for NSW BIS	
11:40	Mathew Savage Abstract/Hudson Pear (<i>Cylindropuntia pallida</i>) management: An integrated approach underpinned by the community		Daniel Firth Advanced Remote Rewind Hose Reel interfaces can reduce chemical waste, improve operator safety and efficiency	
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Chair	Brad Shultz	Leigh Ernst
1:00	Pauline Sykes Martindale Creek Catchment Landcare	Wendy Bushell Control of <i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i> in the Wallamba River
1:20	Bob Doyle Gresford District Landcare – Riparian Weeds	Jyri Kaapro Indaziflam, a new herbicide for industrial vegetation management
1:40	Sita Tiwari Abundance and distribution of weeds in seed banks of vegetable fields of Australia	Warren Braybon Aquatic Surfactant for Addition to Products approved for use in Aquatic Situations
2:00	Carol Harris Management of <i>Nassella neesiana</i> using essential oil products	Tony Cook Blue Heliotrope herbicide research summary
2:20	Dr Gurwinder Singh Conversion of alligator weed into porous activated biocarbons with high surface area for various applications	Alana Trott Investigating the efficacy of Pine oil on natural area weeds
2:40	Afternoon Tea and Trade Display	
	Afternoon Session	
Chair	Birgitte Verbeek	
3:00	The Great Debate	
	Topic: Tenure neutral control successfully puts the We in Weeds	
	The Affirmative	
	The Negative	
4:00	Conference Summary – Sid Lyle	
4:15	Closing of Conference – Dean Semit	
4:20	Conference Closes	

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