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21st Australasian Weeds Conference Special

The conference is a must-attend for all weeds researchers, field practitioners and industry specialists in the cropping sector. Bringing together more than 250 delegates, it provides a valuable opportunity to network with peers from around the world, engage with industry sponsors, listen and participate in presentations and field trips on a variety of topics, including:

- New technologies in weed management
- Biological, mechanical, and chemical weed control and research
- Herbicide resistance
- Weeds of crops and pastures
- Environmental weeds and Weeds of National Significance

Program highlights for this year

- Hear from our international **keynote speaker Professor Anthony DiTommaso** from Cornell University, USA on climate change and weed migration. What is our current situation and what does the future hold?
- Attend a conference session devoted to the latest new and novel chemistries from a range of life science

companies that are about to hit the Australian market.

- Tuesday September 12 has, as one of the themed sessions, a focus just on outcomes from the Grains Research and Development Coorporation (GRDC) weeds investments.
- Get firsthand access to **new and innovative weed management techniques** including cutting edge new technologies such as machine learning and weed identification/speciation, chaff lining/tram lining and more.
- Explore the current research on **Weeds of National Significance** and their impact on the environment. How can we better manage these persistent weeds for better drinking water.
- Discuss the learnings and research behind **New Zealand's aquatic weed eradication programs** using biological control agents.
- Hear from **keynote speaker Dr Peter Turner**, Team Leader Invasive Species Policy and Programs, Department of Primary Industries, on how to harness the power and passion of weed management for improved weed biosecurity in NSW.

<u>Register your attendance</u> to the 21st Australasian Weeds Conference and secure your early-bird registrations before 13 August. Weed Society Members receive a \$100 discount on registrations.

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GARDEN FERRIES TOUR

Experience the best of Sydney harbour, Taronga Zoo and the Royal Botanic Gardens. Your ticket includes lunch, a two-day ferry pass for one person (valid 13-14 September), entry and tour of the Gardens including the Herbarium plus entry to Taronga zoo. Comfortable shoes and a medium fitness level are required.



LIFE'S A BEACH TOUR

Explore Sydney's Northern Beaches, including Long Reef Headland, Pittwater's Western Foreshore and North Head. Your ticket includes ferry transportation, morning tea and lunch, Yamaha Sky Helicopter demo plus a guided tour of Bushcare Rocky Point and North Head. Comfortable shoes and a medium fitness level are required.



WEEDS AND WORLD HERITAGE TOUR

Travel to the beautiful Blue Mountains via Bilpin Fruit Bowl. This tour includes a tour of the Blue Mountains Botanic Garden, Govetts Leap, Echo Point (with abseiling

The Weed Society of New South Wales Inc. PO Box 8040 Kooringal NSW 2650 Website: <u>www.nswweedsoc.org.au</u> demonstration) and Wentworth Falls (with bio-retention system talk). Your ticket includes all transportation, tours and lunch at the Potager in Mt Tomah.



WARATAHS AND WILDFLOWERS TOUR

Join National Parks & Wildlife Service Discovery Guides and Rangers on an immersive visit to the wildflower wonderland of Muogamarra Nature Reserve, on the northern outskirts of Sydney. Your ticket includes transport, guided walks within Muogamarra Nature Reserve, packed lunch and afternoon tea. Comfortable shoes, sun protection, day pack, water bottle and medium fitness required.



BIOSECURITY IN THE SOUTH WEST TOUR

Visit NSW's premier quarantine and biosecurity facility, the Elizabeth Macarthur Agricultural Institute, as well as the Plantbank science and research facility at the Australian Botanic Garden Mount Annan. Your ticket includes transportation, entry into the institute and gardens, and presentations on Tiger Pear bio-control and African Olive and Serrated Tussock.



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