

Grass Roots to Mountain Tops



ANPSA BIENNIAL CONFERENCE - Wrest Point - 15th to 19th January 2018

Registrations for the Conference are coming in steadily and are up to about 110 already, three weeks before the Early Bird closing on 30th September 2017. Some pre and post conference tours are already full. The ANPSA Website, www.anpsa.org.au, has lots of information but the program below will give you an insight to the excellent range of speakers and topics.

The Conference will be opened by Her Excellency Professor the Honourable Kate Warner, AC, Governor of Tasmania, who will also host a reception at Government House on Monday evening. What a special something to offer our interstate visitors as well as Tasmanians.

Wrest Point is a beautiful setting for the conference and we will be centred on the Boardwalk overlooking the Derwent River with the talks next door in the Wellington Room. The speaker program will occupy half a day with excursions on the other half. After lunch at Wrest Point on Monday to Thursday and before lunch on Friday all participants will board the buses and rotate around all 5 excursion sites, including the Royal Tasmanian Botanical Gardens including the Seedbank and Nursery, Mt Wellington, Inverawe and Kingston Wetlands, Tasmanian Bushland Garden and the Lauderdale salt marshes with garden visits en route some days.

The A J Swaby address delivered by James Wood and open to the public, will be on Tuesday night and the Conference Dinner on Thursday.

AND REMEMBER THAT EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION CLOSSES ON THE 30th SEPTEMBER 2017

AUSTRALIAN NATIVE PLANTS SOCIETY (ANPSA) CONFERENCE



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WREST POINT HOTEL CONVENTION CENTRE, HOBART 15-19th January 2018

MONDAY 15TH

- 8.00 - 9.00 REGISTRATION
- 9.00 - 9.15 Welcome to Country by a representative of the Aboriginal community.
- 9.15 - 9.30 Official Opening by Her Excellency Professor the Honourable Kate Warner, AC,
Governor of Tasmania.
- 9.30 - 10.30 Keynote speaker Professor Jamie Kirkpatrick - Alpine vegetation of Tasmania.
- 10.30 - 11.00 Morning tea
- 11.00 - 11.45 Mark Fountain, RTBG 200 years of the Royal Tasmanian Botanical Garden.
- 11.45 - 12.30 Nick Fitzgerald - The Subantarctic flora and vegetation of Macquarie island.
- 12.30 - 1.30 Lunch
- 13.30 - 17.00 Conference excursion
- 17.45 Buses leave for Government House
- 18.00 - 19.00 Reception at Government House

TUESDAY 16TH

COASTAL

- 9.00 - 9.45 Vishnu Prahalad - A virtual tour of the Tasmanian coastal saltmarsh wetlands.
- 9.45 - 10.30 Dr Tonia Cochran - Gondwanan flora: a global collection within a local natural ecosystem.
- 10.30 - 11.00 Morning tea

GRASSLANDS AND FLOWERS

- 11.00 - 11.45 Louise Gilfedder - Tasmanian native grasslands.
- 11.45 - 12.30 Phil Collier - Managing a native orchid hot-spot: learning about the plants and their needs.
- 12.30 - 1.30 Lunch
- 13.30 - 17.00 Conference excursion.
- 19.45 **A.J. SWABY LECTURE** by James Wood RTBG, The Seed Bank Story

Preceded by the presentation of the ANPSA National Plant Award

WEDNESDAY 17TH

DRY BUSHLAND AND GARDEN

- 9.00 - 9.45 Sebastian A Burgess, The Tasmanian Island Ark:
Ecological and Cultural Restoration of the Tasmanian Midlands.
- 9.45 - 10.30 Dr Tanya Bailey, Research on the Midlands restoration
- 10.30 - 11.00 Morning tea
- 11.00 - 11.45 Brief presentations on local grassroots projects:
Dr Keith Corbett on the Bushland Garden,
Daphne Longman on Heritage Forest,
Riitta Boevink-Bluewater Crescent; How to surreptitiously introduce locals to native
gardens
- 11.45 - 12.30 Dr Tim Wardlaw, "Living in the Goldilocks zone:
A look inside one of the world's tallest and most productive natural forest ecosystems.
- 12.30 - 1.30 Lunch
- 13.30 - 17.00 Conference excursion
- 17.00 On the Boardwalk, Study Group displays and meetings.

THURSDAY 18th

RAINFORESTS AND CLIMBING UP

- 9.00 - 9.45 Mark Wapstra,
Tasmanian ferns and fern allies: diversity, habitats and conservation management"
- 9.45 - 10.30 Fred Duncan - Tasmanian rainforests and its Gondwanan heritage.
- 10.30 - 11.00 Morning tea
- 11.00 - 11.40 Patrick Dalton - Mosses, liverworts and hornworts, their contribution to the plant world.
11. 40 -11.50 Study groups, general introduction by Ben Walcott/Jane Fountain
- 11.50 – 12.00 Container growing study group by Lynne Mockridge
- 12.00 - 12.15 Isopogon and Petrophile Study group by Catriona Bate and Phil Trickett
- 12.15 - 12.30 Waratah and Flannel Flower study group by Maria Hitchcock
- 12.30 - 13.30 Lunch
- 13.30 - 17.00 Conference excursion
- 7.30 pm **CONFERENCE DINNER** at Wrest Point

FRIDAY 19th

9.00 - 12.30 Conference Excursions - **IN THE MORNING**

12.30 - 13.30 Lunch

13.30-14.15 Sib Corbett - In our backyard – Mt. Wellington.

14.15-14.30 Next conference by Wildflower Society of Western Australia

14.30 – 15.30 Information / discussion panel on the future trends of the organization.

15.30 - 15.45 Closing ceremony by the Conference Convenor.