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The Venue

Rydges Southbank Townsville is located at 23 Palmer Street in the heart of the CBD boasting views of the marina and Castle Hill. A bar, pool, spa and complimentary onsite car parking are available. Visit www.rydges.com/Townsville for more information.

Accommodation

The conference committee has negotiated a special discounted conference rate at Rydges Southbank Hotel for delegates to the EHA (QLD) INC Annual State Conference whilst rooms are available. Please see EHA (QLD) INC customised web page to make your own accommodation bookings at <http://www.rydges.com/cwp/EHAQLD>

A credit card is required to guarantee your booking.
PLEASE BOOK EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT.

Social Functions

The 71st Annual Conference will be delivering a range of optional social activities - from morning walks to evening dinners, from Magnetic Island to Hervey's Range. Some activities for delegates and accompanying guests are included in conference registration, others by pre-booking and at own cost.

Welcome

Sunday, 4 September 2011 5.30 pm - Poolside, Rydges Southbank.

Conference Dinner

Tuesday 6 September 2011 6.30pm

The 71st Annual Conference Dinner will be held at Reef HQ Aquarium, Flinders Street.

Experience the wonders of the Great Barrier Reef at the world's largest living coral reef aquarium. Dinner will be provided with a backdrop of shimmering tropical fish, eerie predators and stunning live coral reef galleries. A diver will conduct an underwater show in the Predator tank to thrill guests. Reef HQ is the world's largest living coral reef aquarium and no doubt it will deliver a memorable dinner for all. Bus transport from Rydges Southbank. The dress theme is **BLUE!** Come dressed in your **best blue outfit**.

Social Activities - Booking and pre-payment essential: Conference Secretariat Margaret Hind

Mon 5 Sept	6.00am	Castle Hill Walk and Breakfast
	7.00pm	Roman Feast Buffet, Metropole Hotel
Tues 6 Sept	6.00am	Strand Walk and Breakfast
Wed 7 Sept	6.00am	Riverway Walk and Breakfast
	7.00pm	Seafood Buffet, Casino Aqua Restaurant
Thur 8 Sept	9.00am	Heritage Tea Rooms, Hervey's Range
	9.00am	Forts Walk, Magnetic Island

Accompanying Guests

The host city invites you to book some or all of the above Social Activities and also enjoy Townsville's beautiful Strand only a short walk away or take a day trip to Magnetic Island!

Registration

Full registration includes morning and afternoon teas and lunch and attendance at all conference sessions as well as the Welcome Reception, the Conference Dinner, conference satchel and Conference Proceedings. Only one (1) conference satchel will be issued on a shared registration. Conference programs will be available to all delegates.

Day registration includes morning and afternoon teas and lunch and attendance at all conference sessions for the day registered. Day registration includes a conference satchel. Day registrants wishing to attend any social functions will be required to pay the additional cost (see registration form and Activities Booking Form).

Student registration

Special registration rates are available for students studying full-time. Please email EHA (QLD) INC (qld@eh.org.au) to request a registration form.

Cancellation Policy

Cancellation fees are as follows –
Withdrawal of registration prior to 21 August - \$100
Withdrawal of registration between 21 August and 4 September– registration fee is non-refundable, however a substitute delegate may be registered.
Activities Bookings/Payments must be done pre-conference on the Activities Booking form.

Payment of registration fees

Fees will accompany registration forms unless prior arrangement has been made with the Conference Registrar. Payment can be made by cheque payable to Environmental Health Australia (Queensland) Incorporated, by credit card or by EFT as per bank account details on the invoice.



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Environmental Health - IN RESPONSE



Program

71st
Annual State
Conference

4 - 7 September 2011
at Rydges Southbank,
Townsville

* The Committee reserves the right to make any necessary changes.

Sunday, 4 September 2011

9.00 – 5.00pm **EHA Northern Group Conference**
Rydges Southbank
(NQ Regional Group Registration)

5.30 – 7.00pm **Welcome Function**
Poolside, Rydges Southbank
Welcome by Bruce Morton, President

Monday, 5 September 2011

6.00am **Social Activity:** Walk down Castle Hill,
Breakfast at Betty Blue & the Lemon Tart
Cafe. Bus provided, pre-booking essential

8.15 – 9.00am Conference Registration

9.00 – 10.30am **Welcome and Introduction to Conference**
Bruce Morton FEHA, President
EHA (QLD) INC
Cr Les Tyrell OAM, Mayor, Townsville City
Council

Keynote: Working Internationally in Disaster Management

Professor Gerry FitzGerald MD FACEM
FRACMA, School of Public Health,
Queensland University of Technology

Where to from now?

Graeme Newton, Chief Executive Officer,
Queensland Reconstruction Authority

10.30 – 11.00am Morning Tea

11.00 – 12.30pm **Role of professional bodies in
Continuing Professional Development**
Ray Burton, Chief Executive Officer,
Townsville City Council

Your future - looking outside the EH Square

Jon Gibbons, Director Corporate Services -
Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Whitsunday
Regional Council

Disasters through an incident management framework

Lauren Weller, Emergency Incident
Management Controller, Queensland Health

12.30 – 1.30pm Lunch

1.30 – 3.00pm

Learnings from 'Larry' into 'Yasi' and Beyond

Geoff Wilson, Manager Environmental
Health Services, Cassowary Coast Regional
Council

Asbestos in a Disaster Situation

Ian Kuhl, Consultant

Operation: Restore Townsville

Matthew McCarthy, Manager Waste
Services, Townsville City Council

3.00 – 3.30pm

Afternoon Tea

3.30 – 5.00pm

Environmental Health in the Military and Council in Cams

Lt Matthew Lokhorst, Environmental Health
Officer, Australian Defence Force, Army

Flooding in the Interior

Brenda Reardon, Environmental Health
Coordinator, Western Downs Regional
Council

Flooding at Lockyer Valley

Nina Bertram, Senior Environmental Health
Officer and Michael Lisle, Manager
Environmental Health, Lockyer Valley
Regional Council

5.15 pm

Annual General Meeting 'Raffles', Rydges Southbank

7.00pm

Social Activity Optional: Roman Feast
Buffet at Metropole Hotel
Pre-booking essential

Tuesday, 6 September 2011

6.00 am

Social Activity: Walk along the Strand &
Ephemera art display followed by Breakfast
at CBar Restaurant. Bus provided,
pre-booking essential

8.30 – 9.00am

Conference Registration

9.00 – 10.30am

Policing a Disaster – Can we learn from their learnings

Assistant Commissioner Henderson, Flood
Crisis Review Group, Queensland Police
Service

9.00 – 10.30am

Evacuation Centres

Tim McInerney, Emergency Services
Coordination(Capacity Development)
Australian Red Cross

Tsunamis and mass evacuations planning

Christopher Vakas, Disaster Planning
Coordinator, Fraser Coast Regional
Council

10.30 – 11.00am

Morning Tea

11.00 – 12.30pm

EHO Cadetship and Workforce Planning

Bruce Morton, Manager West Moreton &
Logan Public Health Units

EHO Cadet Progression

Darren Alsemgeest, Supervisor Vector
Control, Townsville City Council

EHO Cadets - Growing Your Own

Tamarah Rooker, Environmental Health
Officer, Townsville City Council

12.30 – 1.30pm

Lunch

1.30 – 3.00pm

Australian Institute of Animal Management and EHOs

Dr Dick Murray, Vet and Chairman Australian
Institute of Animal Management

Disasters and their effects on the Environment

Andrew Hannay, Coordinator Environmental
Management and NRM, Townsville City
Council

The World Will End in 2012: Responding to Change

Christine Blanchard, Environment & Health
Policy Advisor, Local Government
Association of Queensland

Issues for Sustainable Food Production

Ashley McCullough, Verification Team
Leader, Safe Food Production
Queensland

3.00 – 3.30pm

Afternoon Tea

3.30 – 5.00pm

Queensland Health and Local Government in Partnership - Workshop

Simon Critchley, Acting Senior Director
Environmental Health Branch, Queensland
Health

6.30 pm

**Conference Dinner
- Reef HQ Aquarium, Flinders Street
Environmental Health Excellence Awards**

Wednesday, 7 September 2011

6.00 am

Social Activity: Walk at Riverway followed
by breakfast at the CBar Café. Bus
provided, pre-booking essential

9.00 – 11.30am

Technical Tour 1 – Tour of the Townsville
Port, looking at the major environmentally
relevant activities that occur on the port
land, how they have expanded and how
they interface with the community. Tour will
be guided by Port Environmental officers.

Technical Tour 2 – Tour of the "environment"
work that is occurring around the Townsville
region. Tour will be guided by the Townsville
City Council Integrated Sustainability
department and will look at their award
winning work.

11.30 – 1.30pm

Guided tour of micro-brewery at Townsville
Brewery Pub followed by Lunch

Conference Close

7.00pm

Social Activity Optional: Casino Aqua
Restaurant Seafood Buffet Dinner
Bookings essential

Thursday, 8 September 2011 (for those staying on)

9.00am

Social Activity: Forts Walk Magnetic Island.
Cost approx \$29 for Ferry plus morning
tea/lunch. Bookings essential