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ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AUSTRALIA (VIC) INC.

2ND ANNUAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SYMPOSIUM

CRISIS AND OPPORTUNITY

THE CHANGING FACE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

19-21 OCTOBER 2011
Comfort Inn Country Plaza, Halls Gap



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Program

Pre Symposium Workshop & Evening - Wednesday 19 October 2011

10.00-4.00 Wastewater Day

Please see separate Wastewater Day program for information and registration. Discounted registration applies if attending Wastewater Day and Symposium.

5.30-8.30 Welcome to Country - 'The Story of Creation'

Early Registration and Welcome Function. Drinks and finger foods provided. Whale Room and the Dreamtime Theatre, Brambuk Cultural Centre, 277 Grampians Road, Halls Gap

Day 1 Thursday 20 October 2011

8.00am Registrations**8.40am** Official Welcome by Cr Ray Hewitt, Mayor of Northern Grampians Shire**8.45-9.15** 'Public Health impact of 2011 Floods on the Grampians and Halls Gap'
David Roberts
Parks Victoria**9.15-10.15** 'Crisis and Opportunity in the Queensland Floods'
Tudor Tanase, Manager of Environmental Health Services
Hinčinbrook Shire Council, QLD**10.15-10.45** Morning Tea**10.45-11.15 Workshop A1**
'Recovery in Northern Grampians'
Greg Little, Municipal Recovery Manager
Northern Grampians Shire**Workshop A2**
'Whooping Cough and Prevenir Immunisation Update'
Michael Bachelor, Manager of Immunisation
Department of Health**Workshop A3**
'Hoarders and Squalor Syndrome'
Julie Harris
Metropolitan Fire Brigade**11.15-11.45 Workshop B1**
'Halls Gap Evacuation and Landslip Plan'
Kathleen Gosden, Manager of Environment and Emergency Services
Northern Grampians Shire**Workshop B2**
'HPV Program'
Heather O'Donnell
Cancer Council of Victoria**Workshop B3**
'Impact and Risks of a Meth Lab Discovery'
Jenny Bowman
Jena Dyco**11.45-12.15 Workshop C1**
'Flood Recovery Project in Grampians Region'
Katherine Gillespie
Department of Human Services**Workshop C2**
'Food Act Update'
Gary Smith
Department of Health Food Unit**Workshop C3**
Student Presentations**12.15-1.05** Lunch**1.05-2.05** 'Taking Notes - Gathering Evidence and Managing Liability'
Maria Maci (Associate) and Louisa Dicker (Lawyer)
Macpherson+Kelley Lawyers**2.10-2.45** Travel to Technical Tours**3.00-4.30 Tour 1**
Stawell Gold Mine & Stawell Water Harvesting Project
'Tour of Facility Examining Approaches to Risk Management and Stawell Water Harvesting Project'
Surface tour of Northgate Pty Ltd's underground mining site looking at their processing facility, cyanide storage and remediation. Tour will also include the Stawell Water Harvesting project.**Tour 2**
Seppelts Winery, Great Western
'Seppelt's Processing Area and Treatment Plant; Great Western Sewer Scheme and Wastewater Reuse'
Gain an insight into 150 years of winemaking with an underground tour of Seppelt's famous labyrinth of underground tunnels called 'The Drives' which include the processing and storage facilities. The tour will also incorporate the wastewater facilities which will be utilised in an innovative sewerage scheme for the township of Great Western.**4.30-5.00** Return to Venue**5.00pm** Close of Day One**5.15pm** EHA Annual General Meeting**7.00pm** Pre-Dinner Drinks
Halls Gap Valley Lodges Function Centre**7.30-12.00** Macpherson+Kelley Lawyers Dinner Dance - theme 'Fashion Disasters'
Presentation of Environmental Health Excellence Awards
Courtesy bus service provided from accommodation
Entertainment by 'The Groove Gorillas'

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Day 2 Friday 21 October 2011

- 8.00am** Registrations
- 8.30-8.45** 'EHA Aboriginal Health SIG'
Steve Sodomaco
- 8.45-9.15** 'Prescribed Accommodation - Rooming Houses'
Stacey Lawrence
Morland Shire Council
- 9.15-10.15** 'Crisis and Opportunity in Emergency Situations'
Bruce Esplin
Former Emergency Services Commissioner
- 10.15-10.45** Morning Tea
- 10.45-11.15** **Workshop D1**
'Wind Farms and the Senate Enquiry'
Melanie Robinson
West Wind P/L
- Workshop D2**
'Vector Borne Disease in Times of Crisis'
Rodney Moran
Department of Health
- Workshop D3**
'The Relevance of Addressing Food Security as an Opportunity Prior to Crisis'
Leah Galvin, VLGA
Meagan Ward, Grampians and Pyrenees PCP
- 11.15-12.15** Compliance with Harmonised OH&S Laws and Emergency Management'
Andrew Douglas, Principal
Macpherson+Kelley Lawyers
- 12.15-1.15** Lunch
- 1.15-1.45** To be confirmed
- 1.45-2.15** 'Radiation Exposure Linked with Earthquake in Sendai Japan'
Noel Cleaves
Environmental Health Unit, Department of Health
- 2.15-2.45** 'Emergency Management and the Coroner's Court'
David Hogan
Coroner's Court
- 2.45-3.15** 'It Ain't Necessarily So - Food Based Additives'
John Ward & Murray Murphett
Department of Health
- 3.15-3.30** Conference Close



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Information

The Venue

Centrally located the Comfort Inn Country Plaza Halls Gap combines conference facilities with the timeless pleasures of country hospitality & the tranquility of the Australian Bush. Spectacular natural scenery & native fauna will help to ensure a peaceful & relaxed atmosphere. Our property features a fully licensed restaurant, breakfast cafe, gymnasium, outdoor pool and conference facilities that can seat up to 150 delegates. Our well appointed room make it one of the most popular destinations to spend a night or two, whilst staying in the heart of the Grampians National Park.

Accommodation

There is a variety of accommodation located in Halls Gap including hotels, motels, backpackers and individual cabins. Accommodation at reduced rates is available at the conference venue but places are limited and must be booked by 5pm on 30 September. Delegates are responsible for organising their own accommodation, please book early to avoid disappointment.

Comfort Inn Country Plaza

141-149 Grampians Road, Halls Gap, VIC 3381
Phone: 03 5356 4344
Standard Spa Room - \$120

Pinnacle Valley Holiday Lodge

21 Heath St, Halls Gap
Phone: 03 5356 4249
Standard Room with kitchenette - \$110 (double), \$105 (single)
Twin Room - \$115

Halls Gap Kookaburra Motel Lodge

26-28 Heath Street, Halls Gap
Phone: 03 5356 4395
Single - \$89, Double - \$94

The Grampians Motel

394-404 Grampians Road Halls Gap, Victoria 3381
Phone: 03 5356 4248 or 0407 266 608
Standard Room - \$110, Deluxe Room - \$125

Halls Gap Visitor Information Centre

Ph: 1800 065 599 Fax: (03) 5356 4295
Email: hallsgap.info@ngshire.vic.gov.au

Social Functions

The 2nd Annual Professional Development Symposium includes a range of optional social activities including:

Welcome

Wednesday 19th October 2011, 5.30pm at Brambuk Cultural Centre, Halls Gap

Symposium Dinner

Thursday 20th October 2011, 7.30pm at Halls Gap Valley Lodges and Function Centre Proudly sponsored by Macpherson+Kelley Lawyers the conference dinner is a great opportunity to unwind after the days activities and network with colleagues. The Halls Gap Valley Lodges is situated at the base of the mountains with breathtaking views from the verandah. The dinner will be a memorable event with the theme for the night being 'Fashion Disasters'.

Registration

Full Registration

Members: \$495
Non-Members: \$745
Full registration includes attendance to both days of the symposium, the welcome function and symposium dinner, morning and afternoon teas, lunch and delegates pack.

Day Registration

Members: \$295
Non-Member: \$395
Day registration includes attendance to the selected day, morning and afternoon teas, lunch and delegates pack. Day registration does not include attendance to the symposium dinner. Day registrants wishing to attend the symposium dinner will need to pay the additional costs (see registration form).

Student Registration

Cost: \$110
Special registrations for students are only available to students working in the public health field. If you are unsure if you meet this requirement please contact the EHA Executive Officer, Bernadet Ferraro.

Wastewater Day

If delegates are attending both the Wastewater Day and Symposium, registration for the wastewater day is discounted to:

Members: \$150
Non-Members: \$200

Additional Options

Additional Symposium Dinner Ticket: \$110
Additional Delegates Pack: \$55

Cancellation Policy

Cancellation fees are as follows:
Withdrawal of registration prior to 7 October 2011: \$100
Withdrawal of registration after 7 October 2011: Registration fee is not refundable

Payment

Fees must accompany all registration forms unless arrangements have been made with EHA (Vic) Inc Executive Officer. Payment can be made by cheque payable to Environmental Health Australia or by Credit Card.

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