

2016

**NSW VERTEBRATE
PEST MANAGEMENT
SYMPOSIUM**

25th - 27th October 2016
Red Oak Function Centre,
Turners Vineyard, Orange, NSW
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PROGRAM

(correct at 25th August, subject to change)

PROGRAM - Day 1

Tuesday 25th October

11.00am Registration

11.45am Lunch & Trade Exhibition

12.45pm **Welcome to Country**

12.55pm **Official Welcome**

Clr Reg Kidd, *Orange City Council*

1.05pm

Observations from 40 Years of Vertebrate Pest Research

Glen Saunders, *NSW Department of Primary Industries*

1.25pm

Where to From Here for Pest Animal Management and Research in NSW?

John Tracey, *NSW Department of Primary Industries*

1.40pm

"It's All About the People": Capacity Building for Invasive Species Management

Tanya Howard, *AgLaw Centre*

1.52pm

Taking Community Engagement to the Community

Barry Davies, *Department Environment, Land, Water and Planning*

2.04pm

Re-thinking Strategies for Improving Engagement and Participation in Pest Animal Management

Lynette McLeod, *University of New England*

2.16pm

Community / Government Engagement - Building Working Partnerships for Wild Dog Control in the Upper Hunter

Rachel-Ann Wilcher, *National Parks and Wildlife Service*

2.28pm

How Can Recreational Hunting Help Control Pests on Public Land – Can We Even Tell?

Andrew Bengsen, *NSW DPI, Vertebrate Pest Research Unit*

2.40pm

Practitioner Involvement in Bottom-up Driven Research: the Research Perspective

Guy Ballard, *NSW Department of Primary Industries*

2.52pm **Practitioner Involvement in Bottom Up Driven Research: the Practitioner Perspective**
Michael Leane, *Riverina Local Land Services*

3.05pm **Afternoon Tea & Trade Exhibition**

3.30pm **National Wild Dog Action Plan 2014-2019**
Greg Mifsud, *Invasive Animals Cooperative Research Centre*

3.42pm **North Eastern Pest Animal Advisory Committee (NEPAAC) – Interagency Collaborative Approach to Invasive Species Management in North East NSW**
Lisa Wellman, *NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service*

3.54pm **Wild Dogs in the Peri-Urban Space**
Dean Chamberlain, *North Coast Local Land Services*

4.06pm **A Dogs Breakfast: Exploring the Complexity and Issues of Peri-urban Wild Dogs on the Coffs Coast**
Mark Robinson, *North Coast Local Land Services*

4.18pm **Potential Spread of Canine Rabies in Australia: Implications for Pest Animal Management**
Jessica Sparkes, *University of New England*

4.30pm **Panel Discussion**

5.00pm **Close of Day One**

PROGRAM - Day 2 **Wednesday 26th October**

8.30am **Registration**

9.00am **Welcome to Day Two**

9.10am **Plenary Address**
Gregory Andrews, *Threatened Species Commissioner, Department of the Environment and Energy*

9.30am **Invasive Animals CRC to the Centre for Invasive Species Solutions: Innovations and Future Directions**
Andreas Glanznig, *Invasive Animals Cooperative Research Centre*

9.45am **Questions**

9.52am **Releasing the Biocontrol Agent RHDV K5: Processes, Progress and Community Engagement**
Tarnya Cox, *NSW Department of Primary Industries*

10.04am **Felixing Feral Cats: Field Trials of a New Automated Control and**

Monitoring Tool

John Read, *Ecological Horizons Pty Ltd*

10.16am **Developing a Target Selective Bait Delivery Technique for Potential Control of Feral Goats and Deer**
Rob Hunt, *NSW National Parks & Wildlife Service*

10.28am **Feral Cat Control and Impact on Biodiversity**
Peter Evans, *Central Tablelands Local Land Services*

10.40am Morning Tea and Trade Exhibition

11.10am **Feral Pig Meat Baiting Field Trials in Western NSW**
Tony Crittle, *NSW Department of Primary Industries*

11.22am **Improving Ground Shooting Operations Using Specialist Equipment**
Grant Eccles, *NSW National Parks & Wildlife Service*

11.34am **An Investigation into the Use of Thermal Cameras for Detecting Feral Pigs During Aerial Surveys of the Lowbidgee Floodplain**
Suzanne Holbery, *Riverina Local Land Services*

11.46am **Community Mapping of Pest Animals with the FeralScan App**
Peter West, *NSW Department of Primary Industries*

11.58am **Opportunities to Improve Pest Species Mapping Through the Use of Ultra-high-definition Aerial Survey Techniques**
Suzanne Holbery, *Riverina Local Land Services*

12.10pm **Panel Discussion**

12.30pm Lunch and Trade Exhibition

1.30pm **Supplementary Pest Control Program – How Does It Work?**
Craig Arms, *NSW National Parks & Wildlife Service*

1.42pm **Predator management keeps failing. What can be done about it?**
Guy Ballard, *NSW Department of Primary Industries*

1.54pm **Fox Control, Other Management and Recovery of Threatened Beach-nesting Shorebirds in NSW 2001-2015**
Paul Mahon, *NSW National Parks & Wildlife Service*

2.06pm **Eradication of Rabbits and Rats from Broughton Island, NSW: a Local Perspective**
Adam Fawcett, *NSW National Parks & Wildlife Service*

2.18pm **Fox Control and Monitoring to Protect Brush Tailed Rock Wallabies in Wollemi National Park**
Neil Stone, *NSW National Parks & Wildlife Service*

- 2.30pm **NSW Fox Threat Abatement Plan Case Study: Beach Nesting Shorebirds at the Manning River Entrances**
Adam Fawcett, *NSW National Parks & Wildlife Service*
- 2.42pm **Monitoring Response of Pest Populations to Integrated Management as Part of the Supplementary Pest Control Trial in NSW National Parks**
Adam McSorley, *NSW National Parks & Wildlife Service*
- 2.54pm **Bite-me: New Lethal Trap Methods for Predator Trapping**
Paul Meek, *NSW Department of Primary Industries*
- 3.06pm **The Importance of Vertebrate Pest Control to the Saving Our Species Program**
James Brazill-Boast, *Regional Operations Group, NSW OEH*
- 3.18pm **Protecting Our Native Fish from Redfin Perch**
Karina Worrell, *NSW Dept Primary Industries*

3.30pm Afternoon Tea and Trade Exhibition

- 4.00pm **Utilising Scent Detection Dogs to Inform Strategic Wild Dog Control and Monitoring**
Mark Lamb, *Mark Lamb Trapping*
- 4.05pm **Biosecurity Net Closing on High-threat Non-indigenous Vertebrates**
Nathan Cutter, *NSW Department of Primary Industries*
- 4.10pm **Collective Steps for Effective Pest Animal Management: Listen, Plan, Train, Mentor, Implement Control, Monitor and Adapt**
Rebecca Ballard, *Green Gully Consulting*
- 4.15pm **Pest Lures: Target Specific Attractants and Delivery Tools for Vertebrate Pest Management**
Mark Lamb, *Mark Lamb Trapping*
- 4.20pm **Assessing the Extent and Abundance of Pest Animal Populations Across NSW Through Expert Knowledge**
Alyssa Trotter, *NSW Department of Primary Industries*
- 4.25pm **Accredited Training for Vertebrate Pest Managers**
Birgitte Verbeek, *NSW Department of Primary Industries*
- 4.30pm **Panel Discussion**
- 5.00pm **Close of Day Two**
- 7.00pm **Symposium Dinner**
Gladstone Hotel, Corner Byng & Hill Streets, Orange
Dinner provided by 'Smoking Brothers' – purchase own drinks

PROGRAM - Day 3

Thursday 27th October

8.30am Registration

- 9.00am **Shared Problem Shared Solutions: A Review of Pest Animal Management in New South Wales**
Bryce Wilde, *NSW Natural Resources Commission*
- 9.20am **Management of Pest Animals Under the Biosecurity Act 2015 (NSW)**
Nathan Cutter, *NSW Department of Primary Industries*
- 9.32am **Captivated – A Permit System for Pet Foxes**
Nicole Schembri, *Greater Sydney Local Land Services*
- 9.44am **What Governance Reform is Needed to Make a Landholder Obligation Approach Work?**
Professor Paul Martin, *Australian Centre for Agriculture and Law*
- 9.56am **Wild Deer in Victoria: Distributions, Abundances and Impacts**
Dave Forsyth, *NSW DPI, Vertebrate Pest Research Unit*
- 10.08am **Feral Camel Control in Western NSW**
Tony Crittle, *NSW Department of Primary Industries*
- 10.20am **Development of a NSW Tilapia Incursion Response Plan: Failure to Plan is a Plan to Fail**
Kirk Dahle, *NSW Department of Primary Industries*

10.35am Morning Tea, Posters and Trade Exhibition

- 11.00am **Mobile Phone Application for Pest Work Data Capture**
Lisa Menke, *NSW National Parks & Wildlife Service*
- 11.12am **Putting Some Focus on Camera Trapping**
Paul Meek, *NSW Department of Primary Industries*
- 11.24am **Panel Discussion**
- 12.15pm **Symposium wrap-up**
- 12.30pm **Close of Symposium**

12.30pm Lunch