

2019 ATGA Conference - Launceston

Theme - Practical Aspects of Truffle Farming

WORKSHOPS - FRIDAY September 13

	DESCRIPTION	PRESENTER	TIME FRAME
MORNING WORKSHOP 1			
9.30 - 12.00 Tramsheds and adjacent oval	Obtaining & maintaining Excellence in Truffle Dogs	Steve Austin	2.5 hours
<i>Lunch for the Dog workshop 1 will be held back at Silos from 12.15 - 1.00</i>			
AFTERNOON WORKSHOP 2			
1.00 - 2.30 Silos Gorge Room (30)	Truffles 101 Introduction to truffle growing	Noel Fitzpatrick/Colin Carter	1.5 hours
AFTERNOON WORKSHOP 3			
1.00 - 2.30 Silos Town Point Room (100)	BOM - Seasonal outlooks, climate change evapotranspiration, getting most from the BOM site	David James	1.5 hours
2.30 - 3.00	AFTERNOON TEA BREAK		
AFTERNOON WORKSHOP 4			
3.00 - 4.30 Silos Town Point Room (100)	Internationally renowned truffle researcher from Spain Talks on soils, weed control, research findings and Evapotranspiration	Carlos Colinas	1.5 hours
EVENING			
6.30pm Levee Restaurant (across boardwalk)	Dinner		Guests to pay

CONFERENCE - SATURDAY September 14**TRAMSHED (400)**

TIME	DESCRIPTION	PRESENTER	TIMEFRAME
9.00 - 9.15	Presidents Welcome		15 mins
9.15 - 10.30	AGM Voting Items to be addressed Presentation of accounts Voting to accept Close of AGM		1hr 15mins
10.30 - 10.50	BREAK FOR MORNING TEA		
10.50 - 11.20	Biosecurity and Levy Update	Jeff Anderson	20 mins 10 mins questions
11.20 - 11.50	Strategic Plan Review	Alan Davey	20 mins talk 10 mins questions
11.50 - 12.15	AgriFutures	Tom McCue	25 minutes
12.15 - 12.30	New Zealand Update	George Wilkinson	15 minutes
12.30 - 1.15	LUNCH BREAK		
1.15 - 2.15	Keynote Speaker	Carlos Colinas	45 mins talk 15 mins questions
2.15 - 3.00	Q&A Industry Forum Diverse range of industry people (4/5) on stage to field questions from attendees, incl. Carlos	Moderator Noel Fitzpatrick	45 mins

3.00 - 3.20	BREAK FOR AFTERNOON TEA		
3.20 - 4.00	Truffle Soils in Productive Farms Critical analysis of a selection of soil tests from productive farms from around Australia	Peter Brown Carlos Colinas invited to comment	30 min talk 10 min questions
4.00 - 4.30	Marketing - On Farm Tourism	Damien Robinson	20 mins talk 10 mins questions
4.30 - 5.10	Food Safety - Fresh truffles and Value Added Products Covers food safety aspects when producing VAP	Herve Michoux	30 mins talk 10 mins questions
5.10-5.15	Close Day		
6.30 pm	Pre Dinner Drinks & Canapes		
7.00 pm	Dinner -		

SUNDAY - 15th September SILOS Town Point Room (100)			
Bus trip Depart 9.00 - return 12.30	Truffle farm tour Mole Creek Truffles	Mini demonstrations on site with a focus on Spring maintenance techniques 1. Pruning 2. Spanish Wells 3. Cultivating People encouraged to rotate through each	
12.30 - 1.30	LUNCH BREAK		
1.30 - 2.15	Pest remediation – practical application Conference wrap up	Alison Mathews	30 mins talk 15 mins questions
2.30-3.30	<i>Executive Meeting</i>		
If applicable, be sure to check out of your hotel prior to departing for farm visits.			