

CONFERENCE VENUE Alice Springs Desert Park 871 Larapinta Drive

Final Program

Tuesday June 1st					
1.30 pm approx. Bus pick up for conference as per map and timetable					
2.00 pm	Introduction and welcome	Janet Mackay Director TRC Tourism			
	Welcome to Country	Lhere Artepe Aboriginal Corporation			
	Creating Successful Trail Experiences				
2.30 pm	Creating exceptional visitor experiences	Heath Garratt Tasmanian Walking Company			
3.00 pm	A look at the 7-stanes Trail network story	Amanda Layden Project Manager, Trails - Tourism and Economic Development Department for Environment and Water SA			
3.30 pm	Afternoon tea				
4.00 pm	What's happening in great walks	Janet Mackay Director TRC Tourism			
4.30 pm	Linking products and trails – examples from the wineries	VIRTUAL PRESENTATION Chris Rose Senior Consultant TRC Tourism			
5.00 pm	Forum – Exceptional trail experiences				
5.40 pm	Conference Close				
	Grab a drink and confirm field trip selection for tomorrow with Donna/Lisa				
6.00 pm	Move to Courtyard for drinks and nibbles followed by BBQ dinner at the Desert Park				
8.30 pm	Bus departs – return to Alice Springs				



Wednesday June 2nd				
8.20-8.30 am approx. Bus pick up for conference as per map and timetable				
8.50 am	Introduction to the day	Senior Consultant TRC Tourism		
Planning, Management and Maintenance				
8.55 am	Carsick Snails - Planning the	VIRTUAL PRESENTATION		
	Creswick Trails Network and	Alison Breach		
	navigating complex land	Project Manager Hepburn Shire Council		
	managers and difficult stakeholders			
9.15 am	M & Ms of Trails (Management,	VIRTUAL PRESENTATION		
	Marketing, Maintenance)	Cormac McCarthy		
		Senior Open Space Development Officer Manningham Council		
9.35 am	UK trail building and urban trails	VIRTUAL PRESENTATION		
		Phil Saxena		
9.55 am	The essentials of successful	Director Velo Solutions Kain Gardner		
9.55 am	maintenance regimes	Consultant TRC Tourism		
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10.15 am	St Helens Trails Ambassador	John Brown		
	program overview	General Manager Break O Day District Council		
10.35 am	Panel discussion			
11.00 am	Field trip instructions	Penny Spoelder Senior Consultant TRC Tourism		
11.05 am	Morning Tea (and pick up packed l			
		Field Trips		
11.20 am	Depart for field trips			
Field trip 1	Larapinta Trail: Construction and	Delegates will view a range of different track construction		
Approx.	Management (15-20 people	techniques on this iconic walking track and will understand the		
return 6 pm	max) Chris Day, Phil Cowan and Janet	challenges of working in an arid environment (Visit Simpsons Gap and Ormiston Gorge and points of interest along the way).		
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Field trip 2	MTB Trail construction and	Delegates will explore the extensive MTB trail network around Alice		
Approx. return 4.30 –	maintenance	Springs and observe the different techniques that have been		
5.30 pm	Overview inspection of mountain bike network on MTBs	applied and the opportunities the network presents for visitor experience. This will include discussions with a number of trail		
5.50 pm	limited to 25 people	planners and builders on the applicability and feasibility of		
	Kain Gardner and Marty Krieg	machine-based construction versus hand based builds and the		
1		choices trail builders face.		
		Bus from Desert Park to Telegraph station – start and finish location.		
Field trip 3	A new trail experience on	The Yeperenye Traditional Owners will share their story on country		
Approx.	Yeperenye country	of a new walking experience they are developing in the East		
return 4.30 –	Yeperenye Traditional Owners,	MacDonnell Ranges (between Emily and Jessie Gap). The field trip		
5.30 pm	Sanchia Scott, Beth Campbell	will include some walking and will also include consideration of arid		
4.30 - 6.30	and Chris Halstead Field trips complete	zone trail design & construction techniques Field trip busses will return you to Alice Springs at varying times		
4.30 – 0.30 pm	ricia trips complete	between 4.30 pm and 6.30 pm depending on field trip location.		
		Dinner own choice and delegate own expense.		



Thursday June 3rd		
8.20 - 8.30 am a	pprox. Bus pick up for conference as per map and timetable	
8.50 am	Introduction to the day	Penny Spoelder Senior Consultant TRC Tourism
	Spotlight on the Red Centre Adventure	e Ride
9.10 am	The concept comes to life	Janet Mackay Director TRC Tourism
9.30 am	Engaging with the Traditional Owners	Chris Day Senior Director Parks and Wildlife Operations Department of Tourism Sport and Culture
9.50 am	Planning and design	Chris Halstead Senior Consultant TRC Tourism
10.10 am	Panel discussion	
10.40 am	Morning tea	
	Positioning Trails For Success	
11.00 am	The benefits of trails to a destination	VIRTUAL PRESENTATION Terry Robinson CEO Destination Gippsland
11.30 am	Creating success from a jigsaw of trails – the Yarra Ranges story	VIRTUAL PRESENTATION Terry Jenvey Yarra Ranges Shire Council
11.50 am	Mountain biking in Australia - An economic and participation analysis	Denise Cox and Georgia Pelling Representing Auscycling and GHD
12.10 pm	How a compelling story and strategic community partnership transform towns into trails destinations	Dean Unsworth CEO Shire of Murray WA
12.30 pm	WA Hiking Strategy 2020-2030: New thinking on an ancient activity	Steve Bennet Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries Western Australia
12.50 pm	Lunch	
1.50 pm	Forum – Critical success factors for trails in a destination	
2.50 pm	How Trails have changed the face of Tasmania	Chris Griffin CEO Visit Northern Tasmania
3.20 pm	Afternoon tea	
3.35 pm	Conference wrap up and close	Janet Mackay/Penny Spoelder
4.00 pm sharp	Bus back to Alice Springs	note: only a 20 min turn around before bus returns to pick you up for dinner
4.40 pm	Bus collection from accommodation for dinner	
5.30 pm	Gala Dinner at Ooraminna Station Homestead	
10.00 pm	Bus departs Ooraminna Station Homestead to return to Alice Springs	



Conference Bus timetable

Tuesday 1st of June

Time	Pick up location	Drop off location
1.30pm SHARP	Alice springs accommodation	Desert Park
Everyone to be out front	 Stop 1: Quest Apartment 	
of each stop by 1.30pm	- Stop 2: Double Tree (for Double	
as the pick up order may	Tree and Desert Palms people)	
change	- Stop 3: Lasseters	
8.30pm ish	Desert Park	Alice Springs accommodation

Wednesday 2nd of June

Time	Pick up location	Drop off location
8.20am SHARP	Alice springs accommodation	Desert Park
Everyone to be out front	- Stop 1: Quest Apartment	
of each stop by 8.20am	- Stop 2: Double Tree (for Double	
as the pick up order may	Tree and Desert Palms people)	
change	- Stop 3: Lasseters	
11am	Desert Park	Field trip locations
4.30-6pm	Return to Alice from various field tips	

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8.20am SHARP	Alice springs accommodation	Desert Park
Everyone to be out front	- Stop 1: Quest Apartment	
of each stop by 8.20am	- Stop 2: Double Tree (for Double Tree	
as the pick up order may	and Desert Palms people)	
change	- Stop 3: Lasseters	
4pm	Desert Park	Alice Springs Accommodation
Drop back from Desert	Alice Springs Accommodation	
Park to Alice Springs	 Stop 1: Alice Springs Tourist Park 	
Accommodation	- Stop 2: The Diplomat	
	- Stop 3: Alice on Todd	
IN 20 MINUTES THE BUS	- Stop 4: Quest Apartment	
WILL BE BACK TO PICK	 Stop 5: DoubleTree (for DoubleTree 	
YOU UP.	and Desert Palms people)	
	- Stop 6: Lasseters	
	- Stop 7: Big 4 (TBC)	
Pick up from	Alice Springs Accommodation	Ooraminna Station
Accommodation to go	 Stop 1: Alice Springs Tourist Park 	
to Ooraminna	- Stop 2: The Diplomat	
	- Stop 3: Alice on Todd	
4.40pm – SHARP	- Stop 4: Quest Apartment	
Everyone to be out front	- Stop 5: DoubleTree (for DoubleTree	
of each stop by 4.40pm	and Desert Palms people)	
as the pick up order may	- Stop 6: Lasseters	
change	- Stop 7: Big 4 (TBC)	
10.0 pm ish	Ooraminna Station	Alice Springs Accommodation

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