



2nd Tasmanian Weed Conference

16–17 October 2008

Tramsheds, Inveresk Railyards, Launceston

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Weeds are one of the greatest threats facing the biodiversity and productivity of our landscapes. A changing climate will only create more challenges for us. We need to learn and work together to combat these threats.

To provide an opportunity for all involved in weed management to learn, share information and move forward together, the Tasmanian Weed Society will hold its second State conference in Launceston from 16–17 October 2008.

The conference will feature local and interstate speakers, including ecologist and author, Tim Low, who will deliver the Keynote Address. (See over for Program details.)

To register, use the form provided. For more information contact Elizabeth Schrammeyer (03) 6234 2939 or secretary@tasweeds.org.



Why weeds won't win

Early-Bird Registration Fees

Includes lunches, teas, BBQ, proceedings and escorted field trip

TWS MEMBERS \$130
NON-MEMBERS \$150

Includes membership until March 2009

STUDENTS \$50
CONCESSION \$50

Registrations after 31 August 2008 attract a \$20 late fee

Payment

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REGISTRATION FORM

Please register my attendance at the
2nd Tasmanian Weed Conference

NAME

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TICK IF ATTENDING Celebration BBQ
Field trip

The conference will consist of both platform and poster presentations, and a field trip. Poster-viewing opportunities will be provided throughout the conference. All papers will be published in a special edition of *Tasweeds*, and will be eligible for a people's choice prize.

The day of presentations will be followed by a tasty gourmet barbecue, at which the blues band, the *Dudley Nightshades*, will perform.

The field trip begins at 9 am at the Tramsheds conference centre, where it is scheduled to end at 4.30 pm. Participants will tour several sites in the Tamar Valley: some where community and local government groups are managing riparian weeds; another that features a 'new' weed infestation in a rural, roadside and native and plantation forest setting; and yet another on a reserve that bridges suburban land and the estuary (where the future of estuarine weeds will be considered).

DAY 1 Thursday, 16 October Platform Presentations

Keynote Address *Climate change weeds*, Tim Low

Session 1 Preventative Weed Management

Weeds in the nursery industry – a national and international perspective, Robert Chin

WeedStop: helping to prevent the movement of weeds in Victoria, Michael Moerkerk

How clean is your gravel: a quarry hygiene initiative for Circular Head, Anthea Furgusson

Implementing a weed surveillance, early detection and rapid response program for Tasmania, Karen Stewart

Session 2 Community Weed Management

Cradle Coast weed hygiene action plan, Greg Taylor

Weeding in the wilderness: a community groups perspective, Karen Zeigler

Growing a weed control program: working towards practical weed control in a small council, Mel Fazackerly and Ann McGinniss

Nationally strategic control of outlying boneseed infestations across Tasmania, Sandy Leighton, Greg Stewart and Greg Taylor

Session 3 Weeds of Tasmanian Significance

Developing willow management priorities from the local to the national level: the Tasmanian perspective, Kelly Snell

Estimating seedbank persistence of boneseed and bitou bush, Jessica Schoeman, Hillary Cherry, Kathryn J Steadman and Yvonne M Buckley

Sea spurge remote area teams (SPRATS), Jon Marsden-Smedley

TBA

DAY 2 Friday, 17 October Field Trip

Hobler's Bridge

On-site discussion with community group members and staff of the Launceston City Council about their lengthy large-scale riparian and willows project

'Highbrae', Rosevale

View and discuss the extent, implications and management of an infestation of *Erica scoparia* unique to Tasmania

Swan Point

Walk and view community group and funded weed eradication activity on a long narrow reserve abutting peri-urban landholdings and the Tamar Estuary

Picnic lunch

Discussion of estuarine weed threats, including rice grass and spiny rush