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CONFERENCE PROGRAM*

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Unless otherwise indicated the venue is the Esplanade Hotel, Marine Terrace, Fremantle. The associated map shows the location of all Conference venues		
SUNDAY 5 AUGUST - ITALIAN CLUB		
5.00-6.00	Pre-registration & welcome	Italian Club, Marine Terrace
MONDAY 6 AUGUST – THE ESPLANADE HOTEL		
TIME	SPEAKER	TOPIC
8.30 - 9.00	Registration and Trade Displays open	
9.00 - 9.10	Steve Amesbury Australian Fauna Care NSW	Welcome & introduction
9.10 - 9.55	Dr Anne Fowler Wildlife Health & Conservation Centre VIC	<i>Fluid therapy in wildlife patients</i>
9.55 - 10.20	Morning Tea Break	
10.20 - 11.00	Shirley Lack Wildcare Queanbean NSW	<i>Northern Hairy Nosed Wombats</i>
11.00 - 11.30	Tania Durotovic, International Fund for Animal Welfare	<i>Why do we need State and National Wildlife Bodies</i>
11.30 - 12.00	June Butcher Kanyana Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre, Perth WA	<i>Together we can make a difference</i>
12.00 - 1.25	Lunch Break	
1.25 - 2.10	Wendy Paterson Newcrest Mining – Telfer Goldmine WA	<i>Partnerships between the wildlife and mining industries</i>
2.10 - 2.55	Dr Helen Robertson Perth Zoo	<i>Wildlife Conservation and Perth Zoo</i>
2.55 - 3.20	Afternoon Tea Break	
3.20 - 4.00	Jonathon Delaine Northern Territory Parks & Wildlife, Alice Springs NT	<i>Boxes and bags: the challenges of transporting wildlife...</i>
4.00 - 4.30	Renee Chamberlin Metropolitan-south Institute of TAFE, Brisbane	<i>Certificate III in native animal rehabilitation</i>
4.30 - 5.00	Dr Sarah Brett Kimberley Toadbusters, Kununurra WA	<i>Will there be life after cane toads</i>
6.30 - 7.30	Meeting hosted by WAWRC	<i>National Body Discussion,</i> VENUE TO BE CONFIRMED THIS MORNING

The inspirational music which I've used for the conference opening presentation since 2004 was composed, arranged and performed by Chris Spheeris. The track is *Aria* from his third album *Culture*. Chris was raised in the USA and lives in Arizona. When I contacted him to ask permission to use his music for the theme for the National Wildlife Rehabilitation Conference, he agreed without hesitation, saying he considered it an *honour to support such a purpose*. When contacted recently, he was pleased that the music had become the unofficial theme of the conference and hoped our conference would be rewarding for all. His website is <http://www.chrisspheeris.com> **Steve Amesbury**

**NATIONAL WILDLIFE REHABILITATION CONFERENCE
MONDAY 6 AUGUST TO THURSDAY 9 AUGUST, 2007**

TUESDAY 7 AUGUST – THE ESPLANADE HOTEL		
8.30 - 9.00	Trade Displays open	
9.00 - 9.15	Steve Amesbury Australian Fauna Care, NSW	Welcome and intro
9.15 - 10.00	Dr Jim Pollock North Queensland Wildlife Care, Townsville	<i>It's died! I think I killed it! I feel Guilty! The value of post mortems in wildlife deaths</i>
10.00 - 10.25	Morning Tea Break	
10.25 - 11.10	Dr Helen McCutcheon Dr Judy Clarke Murdoch University and Department of Environment and Conservation, WA	<i>Health status and translocation success of wild and rehabilitated possums</i>
11.10 - 11.55	Dr Bruce Ferguson Murdoch University WA	<i>Acupuncture for wildlife</i>
11.55 - 12.25	Deb Turnbull Centre for Innovative Conservation Strategies, Griffith University, Queensland	<i>Mentoring carers</i>
12.25 - 1.50	Lunch Break Note: 5 minutes less for lunch today !	Various Venues
1.50 - 2.40	Yvonne Sitko WA Bird of Prey Centre, Perth	<i>Flight rehabilitation for Raptors</i>
2.40 - 3.25	Dr Gerald Waneck Kanyana Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre, Perth	<i>Understanding and managing the gut ecology of Australian wildlife using simple light-microscopy diagnosis of faecal samples</i>
3.25 - 3.50	Afternoon Tea Break	
3.50 - 4.35	Ruth Haight Kanyana Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre, Perth	<i>Bobtail rehabilitation</i>
4.35 - 5.05	Marion Massam, Department of Agriculture, Perth	<i>Wildlife rehabilitators – part of the Biosecurity Surveillance Network</i>
5.05 - 5.35	Gail Gipp Wildlife Warriors, Beerwah Queensland	<i>Wildlife Warriors</i>
6.30	*Coach trip to Kanyana	Dinner at own cost
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WEDNESDAY 8 AUGUST – THE ESPLANADE HOTEL

9.00 - 9.45	Stuart Payne & Hobbes the Wedgetail WA Conservation of Raptors, Perth	<i>Handling of sick and injured large wild birds of prey</i>
9.45 - 10.00	Return to Esplanade Hotel	
10.00 - 10.25	Morning Tea Break	
10.25 - 11.15	Peter Richards Long Grass Nature Reserve, Queensland	<i>Real-time tracking of wildlife & supporting software development</i>
11.15 - 11.45	Steven Amesbury Wildlife Friendly Fencing Project, Queensland	<i>Wildlife Friendly Fencing</i>
11.45 - 12.15	Sandy Fernee Wildlife Victoria	<i>Bushfires and wildlife</i>
12.15 - 1.45	Lunch Break	
1.45 - 2.00	Deborah Pergoletti Cairns Frog Hospital	<i>Amphibian rescue, rehabilitation and disease surveillance</i>
2.00 - 2.15	Marg Peachey RSPCA, Canberra	<i>NWRC 2008 Canberra</i>
2.15 - 2.45	Lorraine Vass Friends of the Koala, NSW	<i>Conserving a regional koala population - Friends of the Koala's journey of holistic engagement</i>
2.45 - 3.15	Afternoon Tea Break	
3.15 - 4.00	Tania Duratovic International Fund for Animal Welfare, Sydney office	<i>To the Rescue – IFAW's role in rescuing animals from Cape Cod to Cape town via Cape Naturaliste</i>
4.00 - 4.45	Sarah Hirst Wildcare, Darwin	<i>Antilopine Wallaroo: the unusual 'roo has twins - a case study.</i>
4.45 - 5.15	Marg Buckland Department of Environment and Conservation WA	<i>Wildcare Hotline</i>
6.30	*Coach trip to Kanyana	Dinner at own cost

THURSDAY 9 AUGUST – THE ESPLANADE HOTEL

8.30 - 9.00	Trade Displays open	
9.00 - 9.15	Steve Amesbury	<i>Welcome and intro</i>
9.15 - 10.00	Dr Anne Fowler Wildlife Health & Conservation Centre, Victoria	<i>Zoonoses & wildlife rehabilitators</i>
10.00 - 10.25	Morning Tea Break	
10.25 - 11.10	Dr Sarah Brett Kimberley Vet Centre, Kununurra WA	<i>Natural therapies for wildlife</i>
11.10 - 11.55	Marg Healy Phillip Island Nature Park, Victoria	<i>Giant Petrels and their care</i>
11.55 - 12.25	Dr Tony Friend Dept of Environment & Conservation, Albany WA	<i>Rescuing Gilbert's Potoroo, the world's most endangered marsupial, with community help</i>
12.25 - 1.55	Lunch Break	
1.55 - 2.25	Dr Cleve Main Department Agriculture, Perth	<i>The do's and don'ts of post mortem examinations of wild animals</i>
2.25 - 3.10	Michelle Rouffignac Perth Zoo	<i>Minimum Standards for Wildlife Care</i>
3.10 - 3.35	Afternoon Tea Break	
3.35 - 4.20	Annie Coppens & Lyn Manuel Malubillai Rehabilitation Group, Perth	<i>Atypical lesions in Black Swans</i>
4.20 - 5.05	Gail Gipp Australia Zoo, Beerwah Queensland	<i>Platypus Diary</i>
7.30	Conference Dinner	

FRIDAY 10 AUGUST

9.00 - 9.00	Fremantle Markets open	Information only
9.00 - 5.30	Fremantle shops open	Information only
11.00 - 5.00	*Coach trip to Swan Valley	All food/drinks at own cost
6.40 - 7.40	Torchlight Prison Tour, Fremantle Prison	Please book direct with the Prison at least a month in advance ~ www.fremantleprison.com.au

SATURDAY 11 AUGUST

Note: The Autopsy Session is booked out and is only be available to pre-booked delegates.

9.00 - 5.00	Fremantle Markets open	Information only
9.00 - 5.00	Fremantle stores open	Information only
9.00 - 12.30	Autopsy session with	Murdoch University
	Dr Mark Bennett ~ Murdoch University WA Dr Richmond Loh ~ Department of Food and Agriculture, WA Dr Jim Pollock ~ North Queensland Wildlife Care, Townsville Dr Samantha Tay ~ Department of Food and Agriculture, WA other names to be confirmed	
2.00 - 5.00	*Coach trip to beaches returning via Kings Park & Wireless Hill Park	Refreshments at own cost

SUNDAY 12 AUGUST

10.00 - 5.00	Fremantle Markets open	Information only
12.00 - 5.00	Most shops in Fremantle open	Information only
8.30 - 4.45	*Trip to Rottneest ex B Shed	Own cost

*COACH TRIPS

All coach trips are subject to minimum numbers
All coach trips (cash only) may be booked through the Conference desk in the foyer.
Subject to demand additional coach trips can be scheduled.
All trips will be run at cost price and will range from \$12-16 for the coach fare.