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Kwongan Colloquium 2009
Biodiversity in the wheatbelt:
where do we go in the 21st century?
12 and 13 September 2009

- Organisers:** School of Plant Biology and Conservation Council, together with Science Divisions of Kings Park & Botanic Garden and Department of Environment and Conservation, with sponsorship from the Shire of York. <http://www.plants.uwa.edu.au/alumni/kwongan>
- Audience:** Fellow scientists, growers, managers of the land, environmental officers working for mining companies, anybody with a keen interest in native plants in WA, landowners with rare and endangered species on their land, people responsible for management of road verges.
- Aims:** To enhance awareness of the significance of native plants in the general community and build stronger links between UWA's School of Plant Biology and its associates with the conservation and mining industry and the wider community. Explore options to work towards collaboration, e.g., in ARC-Linkage proposals with conservation and mining industry and any other interested parties.
- Location:** Town Hall, 1 Joaquina Street, York www.york.wa.gov.au
- Time:** Saturday, **12 September**, 2009 (followed by a field trip on Sunday **13 September**; field trip not included in the cost given below).
- Cost:** \$110 [\$75 for our alumni and (honorary) patrons], including morning and afternoon tea, lunch, sundowner and a USB containing all the presentations. Concessions are available for non-government organisations and unwaged attendees.

Themes and speakers on 12 September:

08.15 Arrival and coffee

- 08.45 Welcome by the President of the Shire of York, Cr Pat Hooper
09.00 Biodiversity in the wheatbelt: past, present and is there a future (Richard Hobbs, UWA)
09.30 Legal aspects of biodiversity conservation in the wheatbelt: (Matthew Pudovskis, State Solicitor's Office)
10.00 Invasive plants and climate change – where to start? (Bruce Webber, CSIRO)

10.30 Morning tea

- 11.00 Floral biology and restoration in a hotspot – that just got hotter! (Kingsley Dixon, BGPA)
11.30 Carbon: Conservation solution or a new threat? (Rob Lambeck, Greening Australia)
12.00 Private bush conservation: winning hearts and minds in the wheatbelt (WWF's Wheatbelt Land Manager Engagement Project Team)

12.30 Lunch

- 13.30 Biodiversity on saltland: has it got any and what should we do about it? (Ed Barrett-Lennard, DAFWA)
14.00 Inverted landscapes: road verges and trapdoor spiders (Barbara York Main, UWA)
14.30 Black cockatoos in the south-west (Ron Johnstone, WA Museum)
15.00 Describing biodiversity, new approaches for the 21st century (morphology and molecules) (Michael Moody, UWA/DEC)

15.30 Afternoon tea

- 16.00 Landscape restoration in the Buntine-Marchagee Natural Diversity Recovery Catchment (Gavan Mullan, DEC)
16.30 Forestry - monocultures or polycultures? The role of companion plants in arid-region forestry (David Kennett, Auria)

17.00 Awarding the inaugural Kwongan Medal for outstanding achievements towards the conservation of Australian native plants (Hendy Cowan)

17.05 Closing remarks (Hans Lambers), followed by drinks and canapés

Honorary Patrons: Marion Blackwell, Peter Cundell, Mark McGowan MLA, Professor Steve Hopper, Philippa Nikulinsky, Professor Alan Robson, David Templeman MLA
Patrons: Professor Hans Lambers and Dr Marion Cambridge, Dr Cleve Hassell, Dr Rob Keogh, Jock Clough

13 September 2009 - Field Tour

The trip will focus on Needling Hill and other reserves as well as restoration sites in the vicinity of York. It will be organised in close collaboration with Cicely Howell, with contributions from Kingsley Dixon, Richard Hobbs and others.

Appropriate bushwalking footwear, sun protection and long trousers are recommended.

Time: 09:00 - 16:00

Departure at 9 am and return approx. 4 pm; Town Hall, 1 Joaquina Street, York www.york.wa.gov.au

Cost of the Field Trip: \$95, including morning and afternoon tea, lunch. *All amounts quoted include GST.*

The number of participants will be limited to 40.

REGISTRATION FORM/TAX INVOICE

ABN: 378 8281 7280

DELEGATE INFORMATION

Please print clearly using block letters

Surname			
Name/s		Title	
Mailing Address			
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Phone		Fax	
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Please note special dietary requirements: _____

WORKSHOP FEES

Date, Time	Event	Cost	
12 Sept 2009	Seminar Registration	\$110 pp all incl.	\$
13 Sept 2009	Field Trip	\$95.00 pp all incl.	\$
TOTAL			\$

Saturday, 12 Sept 2008 Sundowner (Included in Registration) Attending Yes No

Are you happy to have your contact details included in a list of participants to be made available to attendees? Yes No

Payments in AUD \$ by Cheque payable to: The University of Western Australia

Mailing address : Biodiversity in the Wheatbelt
School of Plant Biology (M084)
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Payments by credit card at : <http://msc.uwa.edu.au/plants/cart>

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Closing date for registration is 29 August 2009, no registrations will be accepted if received after this date. Cancellations received after the 29 August 2009 or "no-shows" are subject to the entire event fee.