

PRELIMINARY CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Tuesday 2nd September, 2008

5.00 – 6.30 pm Registration and Welcome Reception - *Sponsored by Bürkert Fluid Control Systems*

Wednesday 3rd September, 2008

8.00 am Registration Desk Open

9.00 am Trade Exhibition Open

9.00 am Conference Opening -
Welcome by:
Mr Frank Placko
General Manager Water, *EGL Operations*

9.07 am **Opening Address by:**
Mr Terry A'Hearn,
Director of Sustainable Development, *EPA Victoria*,

9.27 am **Keynote Address by:**
Mr Steve Posselt, *Kayak-4-Earth*
"In Search of the Truth: An Epic Journey Down Our Greatest River System"

10.00 am **WIOA Report:**
Mr George Wall, - *Executive Officer, WIOA*

10.10 am **Trade Exhibition Opening:**
Mr Ron Bergmeier, - *Trade & Sponsorship Coordinator, WIOA*

10.20 am Trade Exhibition Viewing, Competition & Morning Tea

Technical Paper Session 1:

1. Mr Daniel Ellis (Melbourne Water)
- *"Managing Community Water Supplies During Recharge of the Yarra Valley Conduit"*
2. Mr Russell Mack (Gippsland Water)
- *"A Creepy Solution to Sludge Thickening"*
3. Mr Jean-Marc Laurillard (ABS Wastewater Technology)
- *"The HST Compressor"*

- 12.20 pm Lunch
- 1.30 pm **Technical Paper Session 2:**
1. Ms Audrey Walewijk & Mr Richard Carty (Melbourne Water)
 - *“The Sugarloaf Pipeline Project: Preparing the Winneke Water Treatment Plant for an Increase in Treatment Capacity”*
 2. Mr Rex Humphries (North East Water)
 - *“Implementation of Temporary Water Filtration at Bright”*
 3. Mr Stephen Will (Sunshine Coast Regional Council)
 - *“Kawana STP Upgrade Issues.....Unplugged!!”*
 - ***Winner of Best Operator Paper – Qld 2008***
- 2.30 pm Afternoon Tea, View Trade Exhibition and Competition
- 3.40 pm **Technical Paper Session 3:**
1. Mr Charlie Crews (Matamata/ Piako District Council, NZ)
 - *“Upgrade of the Morrinsville Water Treatment Plant”*
 2. Mr Andrew Neil & Mr Rodney Dedman (Dept Human Services Victoria)
 - *“Water Fluoridation in Victoria”*
 3. Mr John Stevens (Hunter Water Australia)
 - *“Cleaning of Diffusers at Edgeworth WWTP”*
 - ***Winner of Best Operator Paper - NSW 2008***
 4. Mr Bob McAlister (Yarra Valley Water)
 - *“Craigieburn Treatment Plant Media Filtration Trial”*
- 5.00 pm **End Paper Sessions – Day 1**
- 6.30 pm Pre Dinner Savouries and Drinks - ***Sponsored by Grundfos Alldos***
- 7.30 pm Meet the Trade Dinner - ***Sponsored by Acromet Australia***
- Conference Dinner Refreshments - ***Sponsored by Peerless Industrial Systems***
- Presentation of the **2008 Kwatye Prize** - ***Sponsored by Environmental & Process Technologies***
- Entertainment by **Mr Peter Dee** - ***Sponsored by DMI Australia***
- 10.30 pm **End Day One**

Thursday 4th September, 2008

8.30 am Registration Desk Opens

8.45 am Exhibition Opens

9.00 am **Technical Paper Session 4:**

1. Mr Graham Thomson (Barwon Water)
- *“2007 Kwatye Prize Report”*
2. Mr Craig Griggs (Kingborough Council, Tas)
- *“Case Study Bio Augmentation of Dru Point Wastewater Lagoon at Margate”*
3. Mr Kriston Nilsson (North East Water)
- *“Fluoride Laboratory Test Method Challenges at Wangaratta WTP”*
4. Ms Prue Madsen (Government Skills Australia)
- *“Continuous Improvement in the Water Training Package”*

10.20 am **Trade Display Inspections, Competition** plus Morning Tea
including demonstrations of equipment / products

11.20 am **Technical Paper Session 5:**

1. Mr David Errey (Yarra Valley Water)
- *“Sewer Response Unit (SRU)”*
2. Mr Matt Beattie (CAMS)
- *“Greening Bendigo – Class A+ water production from Bendigo’s Recycled Water Factory”*

12.00 am Lunch

1.00 pm **Judging Operator Poster Papers** – (main entry foyer)

2.10 am **Technical Paper Session 6:**

1. Mr Pat Davis (Riverina Water County Council)
- *“Establishing Water Quality in New Distribution Systems”*
2. Ms Li Lern Lau (SMEC Australia)
- *“Filter Refurbishment at Pyramid Hill Water Treatment Plant”*

2.50 pm **Presentation of Certificates in Water Industry Operations**

- 3.00 pm **Trade Display Inspections, Competition** plus Afternoon Tea
including demonstrations of equipment / products
- 3.40 pm **Technical Paper Session 7:**
1. Mr Ryan McGowan (Goulburn Valley Water)
- “*Ampla - Turning SCADA Data Into Information*”
 2. Ms Susan Crosher (South East Water)
- “*Taking guesswork out of using sludge lagoons and drying pans to process sewage sludge*”
 3. Mr David Brownbill (CAMS)
- “*Unblocking Sewers – The Smart Way*”
 4. Mr Matthew Thompson (United Water)
- “*Drought-induced Treatment Challenges at White Swan Water Treatment Plant*”
- 5.00 pm **Close of Paper Sessions**
- 6.30 pm Pre Dinner Savouries and Drinks - *Sponsored by SMEC Australia*
- Announcement of all trade competition winners in meals area
- 7.30 pm **Conference Awards Dinner** - *Sponsored by ITT Water & Wastewater*
- Presentation of the Actizyme Prize for “Best Paper by eligible Operators”
 - Presentation of the Hepburn Prize for “Best Paper Overall” sponsored by Iwaki Pumps Australia
 - Presentation of the “Best Operator Poster Paper Prizes” sponsored by the Water Industry Training Centre
 - Presentation of the Institute of Water Administration (Vic) “Young Operator of the Year” Prize
 - Presentation of the “Wal Whiteside, Victorian Operator of the Year” Award sponsored by AWA Victorian Branch.
- Conference Dinner Refreshments - *Sponsored by Merck*
- Entertainment - *Mr Kenny Graham* - *Sponsored by ABS Wastewater Technology*
- After Dinner Port - *Sponsored by Water Infrastructure Group (formerly Earth Tech Ops)*
- 11.30 pm **End of Conference**