

Wilding Pines Conference 2023

- Wildings in the Backyard

Updated Programme – 13th October 2023

DAY 1 - WEDNESDAY 18th OCTOBER

Please be seated by 9:40am

8:30	REGISTRATION OPENS	Memorial Hall, 1 Memorial Street, Queenstown
9:40	Housekeeping / Health and Safety	Jo Ritchie, Wilding Pine Network (WPN)
9:50	Mana whenua opening	Darren Rewi, Ngāi Tahu
10:30	Welcome from Queenstown Mayor	Glyn Lewers
10:40	KEYNOTE SPEAKER 1: Wildings and my experiences	Graeme Watson, Whakatipu Wilding Control Group (WCG)
11:00	Wilding Pine Network (WPN) Work	Richard Bowman, WPN
11:15	National Wilding Conifer Control Programme Update	Sherman Smith, Biosecurity New Zealand (MPI)
11:30	Te Waiiau Mahika Kai Trust	Vanessa Horwell, Te Waiiau Mahika Kai Trust
11:40	Coromandel, Kaimanawa, Tongariro MU report	Clark McMichael, Waikato Regional Council
11:50	ENVU	Jyri Kaapro, ENVU
12:00	LUNCH (40 mins)	
	LOCAL GROUPS FOCUS	
12:40	Whakatipu Wilding Control Group (WCG)	Will McBeth, Department of Conservation (DOC)/Sue Rose, Whakatipu Wilding Control Group (WCG)
12:50	Arrowtown Choppers	Ben Teele
13:00	Central Otago Wilding Control Group (COWCG)	Pete Oswald
13:10	Upper Clutha Wilding Tree Group (UCWTG)	Rob Phillips
	FOREST, SHELTERBELT, AMENITY TREE MANAGEMENT	
13:20	Production forestry and wildings – how the forestry industry manages this challenge	Peter Oliver, NZ Forest Owners Association
13:35	Radiata Pine – a valuable forest species – and wilding risk?	Nick Ledgard, WPN
13:50	The wrong tree in the right place (shelterbelts, amenity plantings etc)	Group of speakers coordinated by Kate O'Connell
	REGENERATE OR RESTORE	
14:05	What was here before the wildings	Ben Teele
14:20	What might restoration of dry Central Otago landscapes look like	Phil Murray, Central Otago Wilding Control Group
14:35	Motupohue/Bluff Hill: Nature at its best	David Swann, Bluff Hill/ Motupohue Environment Trust
14:50	Pukenamu-Patau Whangarei Heads: wildings to natives	Ceres Sharp, Northland Regional Council (NRC)
15:05	AFTERNOON TEA (20 mins)	

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PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

15:30	Plant community recovery after control	Jennifer Bufford, Manaaki Whenua/Landcare Research
15:45	Mid Dome – strategy for next 10 years – a novel approach	Peter Russell, Better Biosecurity Ltd
16:00	Germination trials and their implications post control	Fiona Fields, Scion
16:15	Wilding conifers, past plantings, current conundrums, fiery future (or wildings in a warming world)	Tom Carlin, Scion

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16:30	Seedling Tree Control	Jo Ritchie, WPN
16:45	Coromandel Wilding Strategy	Peter Russell, Better Biosecurity Ltd
17:00	Tarawera wildings	Tanira Raureti, Ruawahia 2B Trust
17:05	South Marlborough Landscape Restoration Trust (SMLRT)	Ket Bradshaw, SMLRT
17:10	Wildings in water catchments	Scott Sharp, Gisborne District Council
17:15	Orion Agriscience	Luke Holmes, Orion Agriscience
17:20	WELRA	Nick Ledgard, WELRA (Craigieburn/Castle Hill/Torlesse Range and surrounds)

17:30 to 19:00 **WCG REPORTING TO THE COMMUNITY EVENING** (Please note: You need to have booked to go to this event)

At conference venue
– welcome drink and nibbles on arrival

DAY 2 - THURSDAY 19th OCTOBER

FIELD TRIPS

8:00 to 8:20 Pick up your packed lunch and water from conference venue, then make your way to the correct bus for your field trip:

1. Whakatipu/Arrowtown:

8:30 Buses leave Gorge Road Carpark
(see field trip 1 information emailed out)

Two Ritchies buses will be labelled "Arrowtown Field Trip"

2. Central Otago/Alexandra

8:30 Buses leave from carparks beside the conference venue
(see field trip 2 information emailed out)

Two Pure Tours buses will be labelled "Central Otago Field Trip"

4:00 BUSES RETURN TO QUEENSTOWN

17:30 to 19:00 MIX 'N' MINGLE CANAPE EVENING AT CONFERENCE VENUE

View Sponsors Exhibition Stands

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DAY 3 - FRIDAY 20th OCTOBER

8:30	KEYNOTE SPEAKER 2: A perspective on wildings from the Parliamentary Commissioner for the Environment (PCE)	Simon Upton
8:50	Ground control within a waterway AFSA buffer	Beth Williamson, Boffa Miskell
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9:00	Queenstown Lakes District Council (QLDC) Wilding work	Ken Bailey, QLDC
9:10	Use of Biodiesel in a wide range of herbicide products and application	Matthew Lady, Biodiesel Supplier
9:20	Mid Dome	Ali Ballantine, Mid Dome Trust
9:25	Wilding Free MacKenzie (WFM)	Rob Young, WFM
9:35	Canterbury Wildings	Zac Robinson, Zolve Environmental
9:40	SPS Automation	Corrie Hault
9:50	Community partnership projects - Taupo	Nicki Hughes, Waikato Regional Council
10:00-10:30	<i>5-10 min slots still available. If not filled, next lot of speakers will move forward</i>	<i>Contact Jo if interested (0275 818-464 or jo@wildingpinenetwork.org.nz)</i>
10:30	MORNING TEA (20 mins)	
10:50	Half Mile Reserve Alexandra Removal and Restoration	David Scoones, Central Otago District Council
11:00	Wildings and fire – how to manage risk	James Knapp, Fire and Emergency NZ (FENZ)
11:15	Using social media to get your message out	Rosie Graystone, Marketellingenz
11:30	Māori view of wilding management	Darren Rewi, Ngāi Tahu
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11:45-12:00	<i>5-10 min slots still available. If not filled, next lot of speakers will move forward</i>	<i>Contact Jo if interested (0275 818-464 or jo@wildingpinenetwork.org.nz)</i>
12:05	A model for predicting the cost of future control using Mid Dome as an example	Brent Rohloff, Boffa Miskell
12:20	Funding Options	Jo Ritchie, WPN
12:35	Managing Transition, who, how, when	Carl Diamond (ECAN) & Sarah Fish (Biosecurity NZ (MPI) NWCCP)
12:50	LUNCH (50 mins)	
13:40	Boffa Miskell competition winner announcement	Marcus Girvan, Boffa Miskell
13:40-14:15	<i>5-10 min slots still available. If not filled, next lot of speakers will move forward</i>	<i>Contact Jo if interested (0275 818-464 or jo@wildingpinenetwork.org.nz)</i>
14:15-14:30	CONFERENCE WRAP UP	