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# INFORMATION & REGISTRATION

2015 WA LOCAL GOVERNMENT CONVENTION

Wednesday, 5 – Friday, 7 August 2015 Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre 21 Mounts Bay Road, Perth



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# AN INVITATION

It is my great pleasure to invite you to attend the 2015 WA Local Government Convention and Trade Exhibition at the Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre. Conference sessions are scheduled across two days – Thursday, 6 and Friday, 7 August – with the Annual General Meeting and Opening Welcome Reception on Wednesday, 5 August.

Themed Local Government. Switched On., the conference aims to inspire new ways of thinking, innovative ways of working, and assist the Local Government sector in shaping its own future. We are excited to have a number of travelling speakers this year. Our keynote speaker is former world chess champion and current Chairman of the Human Rights Foundation International Council, Garry Kasparov, 'The Ethics Guy', Dr Bruce Weinstein, and Nebraskan agriculture advocate, Trent Loos.

Flying across the ditch to be with us is **Sir Bob Parker KNZM**, former Mayor of Christchurch during the 2010-2011 earthquakes, one of New Zealand's deadliest and most catastrophic natural disasters. And from the east coast of Australia, **Tony Mowbray**, sailor and Antarctic adventurer. Tony has sailed solo, non-stop and unassisted around the world, spending 181 days alone at sea; and completed the 1998 Sydney to Hobart Yacht Race, and has a lot to share on the power of commitment.

The **Trade Exhibition** is once again a major feature of the annual gathering, with a wide range of organisations continuing their support of Local Government through considerable investment in displays and participation in the pavilions. In turn, I encourage delegates to take full advantage of this dedicated time to meet and discuss sector specific products and services with their representatives.

Partners are also catered for and can choose from a special activities program created for their enjoyment. Everyone is encouraged to network with friends and colleagues at the Convention Opening Welcome Reception on Wednesday, the Sundowner on Thursday, Mayors and Presidents' Government House Reception on Thursday and finally the Convention Gala Dinner held on Friday evening.

On behalf of the Association I would like to express appreciation for the valuable support provided by the Convention Founding Partner Local Government Insurance Services (LGIS) and Principal Sponsor Civic Legal. I also wish to thank our Supporting Sponsors, the Department of Local Government and Communities and PlayRope Pty Ltd, and the City of Perth for their continuing support for the popular Banners in the Terrace competition.

I look forward to seeing you in August.

Mayor Troy Pickard

# ABOUT THE EVENT

### WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

The Convention and Trade Exhibition is presented specifically for those engaged in the Local Government sector.

The conference sessions aim to support and inform Mayors, Presidents, Elected Members and Chief Executive Officers. Additional attendance by General Managers, Directors and other senior managers is also highly recommended. Available options include full conference participation and daily registration.

### **OPTIONAL BREAKFASTS**

Thursday, 6 August
ALGWA AGM and Breakfast

Friday, 7 August
Convention Breakfast with Justin Langer

### **SOCIAL ACTIVITIES**

The Partner Program offers an interesting range of options for accompanying guests, and social networking functions include the Official Opening Welcome Reception on Wednesday, a Sundowner and the invitational Mayors and Presidents' Reception hosted by Her Excellency the Honourable Kerry Sanderson AO at Government House on Thursday, and the closing Gala Dinner which is scheduled for Friday evening.

There is also an optional fun tour to New Norcia available for delegates and partners on Saturday, 8 August.

### **ELECTED MEMBER TRAINING**

To facilitate progress with the Elected Member Development Program, a number of modules are again being offered prior to the Convention, as well as after the Convention. Full details are enclosed in a separate flyer – enquiries to training@walga.asn.au

# **BANNERS IN THE TERRACE**

2014 Joint Overall Winners – Shire of Quairading and the Shire of Narembeen

Take some time to view the outstanding display of this year's creative entries in the Banners in the Terrace competition – flying high along St Georges and Adelaide Terraces between Sunday, 26 July and Saturday 8, August.





# THE PROGRAM

# Wednesday, 5 August

10.00am	Delegate Service Desk open for Convention Registration (PCEC Level 2)	
12.00pm – 1.00pm	Luncheon for 2015 WALGA Honours Recipients	
1.30pm – 5.30pm	WALGA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING	
	Parliamentarian addresses from Hon Colin Barnett MLA, Premier (invited) Hon Mark McGowan MLA, Leader of the Opposition	
	Presentation of Honour Awards	
5.30pm – 7.00pm	CONVENTION OPENING WELCOME RECEPTION	

# Thursday, 6 August

7.00am	Delegate Service Desk open for Registration (PCEC Level 2)	
7.00am – 8.30am	ALGWA (WA) AGM and Breakfast. Register online via Delegate Registration. Other enquiries to Mayor Heather Henderson, City of Subiaco – M: 0457 733 469 or mayor@subiaco.wa.gov.au; or Cr Janet Davidson OAM JP, City of Perth – M: 0417 974 936 or janetdavidsonjp@hotmail.com	

### 9.00am OPENING KEYNOTE ADDRESS FROM GARRY KASPAROV



# Garry Kasparov, Chess Grandmaster and Chairman of the Human Rights Foundation International Council

Known as an extremely intuitive chess player, Garry Kasparov also emphasises intuition's role in achieving one's full potential as an individual and achieving superior performance as the leader of a group or organisation. His battles with the super computer 'Deep Blue' were headline news worldwide, and he has been at the forefront of innovation in chess for over twenty years. He has been at the cutting-edge of research and the battles between humans and computers from as far back as 1989.

As a master of strategy, Garry will apply the insights and unique perspective from his extraordinary chess career to the issues of leadership, logical thinking, strategy, and success.

10.15am - 11.00am	Retreshments	

### SESSION 2 AUGMENTED REALITY IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT



11.00am

While augmented reality is not a new concept, we are now in a time of increased consumer awareness and uptake of the technology. The ubiquity of the smartphone, and more recent developments such as Google Glass and Microsoft HoloLens, mean that the application of augmented reality technology presents a real opportunity to improve customer experience and productivity in the public sector. Michael will discuss where the technology is heading, the opportunities for Local Government, and how to incorporate augmented reality opportunities into an enterprise digital strategy.

Michael Scott, Partner, Deloitte Australia

### 12.00pm

### **SESSION 3 BOOST YOUR BRAIN AND STAY SWITCHED ON**



Most people work on building up and boosting their financial assets. But how many people work on building up and boosting their greatest asset: their brain? The emerging field of neuroplasticity has shown that the brain can change its own structure and function. It can grow new cells, new circuits and new connections in response to what we do, what we think and how we behave.

This presentation distils the essence of the neuroplastic revolution and gives immediately implementable, practical suggestions to improve the functioning of the brain.

Dr Helena Popovic

1.00pm - 2.00pm

Lunch

2.00pm

### **SESSION 4 CONCURRENT SESSIONS**

All delegates will be asked to indicate session preference when registering to assist with venue planning.

### **Switch On to Biodiversity**

Local Government demonstrates leadership in many different ways. This session will explore how you can use your local natural areas to demonstrate your Council's leadership, and improve your community's sense of place and wellbeing. Renowned experts on Western Australia's unique biodiversity will discuss how it can add value to your community, and demonstrate the leading tools to help you manage your natural areas. Be inspired and take away practical techniques that when implemented, will demonstrate leadership to your community, your peers, and future generations.

### **Switch On to Contemporary Country Health Issues**

People living in rural and remote areas do not always have the same opportunities for good health as those living in major cities. This has led to innovative ways of doing things differently. With the introduction of better technologies and service models, access to health services in the bush is changing and encourages a more collaborative approach to health and well-being. Join us to find out more.

### **Switch On to Building Stronger Partnerships**

Social commentator Hugh Mackay wrote recently "a good life is lived at the heart of a thriving community, among people we trust, and within an environment of mutual respect". There are many partners that work collectively create that good life. Using a community development approach, learn how State, Local Government and the not-for-profit sector are working together to achieve the good life for your communities.

### **Switch On to Natural Disaster Preparedness**

Leadership in managing disasters and emergencies can minimise the damage inflicted by an event, whilst a lack of successful leadership exacerbates the impact. It is the challenge of the leader to bring things back to 'normal'. Despite the negative effects that are present in times of crisis, it a window of opportunity in which a leader has the chance to reform institutional structures and relationships.

Leaders need certain skills and abilities in order to manage catastrophes based on the environmental conditions, organisations they lead and scope of the disaster. Join us to explore your leadership in a super storm situation.

3.30pm - 4.15pm

Refreshments

4.15pm

Banners in the Terrace Awards

# THE PROGRAM

### 4.30pm

### **SESSION 5 LOOS TALES**



As WA's mining industry settles down, coming out of the construction phase, a different rural and regional focus will evolve around agricultural production. The focus will shift to the requirements of feeding a growing world population, and the opportunities for WA to participate in doing this.

Trent Loos travels the globe to unearth stories about the people involved in the many different facets of production agriculture and to spread the good word about food producers. In 2013, Trent travelled to 22 different American States, Ireland and Canada to share his passion for an industry he truly believes in. He encourages producers to stand up and proudly tell consumers about life on their operations. He utilises modern technologies to share his experiences abroad and to "spread the good word" about this age-old and "essential to life" industry with his radio and web audience.

Trent Loos, Agriculture Advocate and American Radio Personality

5.30pm - 7.00pm

**SUNDOWNER** in the Trade Pavilions; **OR** 

6.00pm - 7.30pm

**MAYORS AND PRESIDENTS' RECEPTION** at Government House hosted by Her Excellency the Honourable Kerry Sanderson AO (by prior invitation)

## Friday, 7 August

### 7.00am

### Delegate Service Desk open

### 7.30am - 8.45am

### **CONVENTION BREAKFAST WITH JUSTIN LANGER**



Until the announcement of his retirement from test cricket in 2007 Justin was one of Australia's great top-order batsmen. Originally playing at number 3 he moved to opener in 2001 and played 105 test matches scoring 7,696 runs including 23 test centuries. Few have worn the baggy green cap with greater pride.

Justin speaks about the game of cricket with great vision, understanding, experience and humour. He has many valuable stories about the wonderful mateship, the hardships and also the many thrilling triumphs he experienced during his wonderful cricket career.

Justin Langer appears by arrangement with Saxton Speakers Bureau.

### 9.00am

### **SESSION 6 IS IT STILL CHEATING IF I DON'T GET CAUGHT?**



Dr Bruce Weinstein, The Ethics Guy, believes that the key to success is having not just emotional intelligence, but ethical intelligence, too. Ethical dilemmas arise every day-from getting back too much change at the supermarket to issues involving areas of government, business, health care, and the law.

Bruce will explore how to apply five principles of ethics that are found in every religion and have been instilled in children by their parents for generations: do no harm, make things better, respect others, be fair and be compassionate.

Bruce Weinstein, The Ethics Guy

10.15am - 11.00am

### Refreshments

### 11.00am

### **SESSION 7 SPEAK UP AND INFLUENCE PEOPLE**



Every day we are faced with opportunities to persuade those around us in the workplace. Some occasions, such as a formal presentation are obvious opportunities to persuade. Other opportunities are less obvious, for example unplanned meetings, an informal conversation with a stakeholder, a lift ride with a possible referrer, a professional development event that you have decided to attend at the last minute. Our persuasiveness is limited by our communication style and often we don't take full advantage of the opportunities that present.

This high energy session will show you that anyone can have the power to influence and the confidence to speak up in meetings, one-on-ones, even conferences. Simply learn the  $3 \times 10^{-5}$  x Ps of Persuasion and have the right attitude.

Michelle Bowden, Certified Speaking Professional

### 12.15pm - 1.15pm

### Lunch

### 1.15pm

### **SESSION 8 LEADERSHIP IN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**



Community development can be defined as the process whereby different people, from different backgrounds, with different and aligned interests come together to resolve issues in a collaborative manner. Local Governments often use this process to assist with decision making and community engagement. Creating active civic, public and commercial areas can also serve to build social capital by providing attractive meeting places for social and economic interaction.

The City of Christchurch was faced with the challenge of rebuilding their city in the aftermath of the earthquakes in 2010 and 2011. Join us to explore the community development approach the City of Christchurch undertook to support the rebuild.

Sir Robert Parker served four terms as Mayor of Christchurch City, including during the 2010 and 2011 earthquakes, 2011 being one of New Zealand's deadliest and most catastrophic natural disasters. He won wide praise for his role, leadership and work in response to the quake that claimed 185 lives, and collapsed or undermined tens of thousands of buildings throughout the city and beyond.

Sir Robert Parker KNZM

This session is proudly supported by the Department of Local Government and Communities. Sir Robert Parker appears by arrangement with Saxton Speakers Bureau.

### 2.45pm - 3.15pm

### Refreshments

### 3.15pm

# CONVENTION CLOSING ADDRESS SESSION 9 THE POWER OF COMMITMENT



In 1998, Tony and his crew competed in the Sydney to Hobart Yacht Race, encountering the worst race conditions in its 64 year history. Tony and his team fought a 15 hour epic battle of life and death. Tony's yacht, Solo Globe Challenger surfed down the face of a 60 foot wave upside down after a monumental knock down. Tragically six men died but against the odds, Tony survived, however his dream of sailing around the world was shattered. His boat all but destroyed, he was physically spent, mentally near broken and severely traumatised.

Just one year and 10 months later Tony had rebuilt his boat, re-ignited his spirit and set off on an epic non-stop journey around the world. In December 2001, just eight months after finishing the solo world trip in front of 30,000 people, Tony and the same team from the 1998 race quietly crossed the finish line of the 2001 Sydney to Hobart, finishing off what they started in 1998.

Tony Mowbray, Around-the-World Sailor and Antarctic Adventurer

### 4.30pm

### Official Close of the 2015 Local Government Convention

### 7.00pm - 11.30pm

### PRE-DINNER DRINKS AND GALA DINNER, PCEC BelleVue Ballroom

# PARTNER ACTIVITIES

# Wednesday, 5 August

5.30pm - 7.00pm

OPENING WELCOME RECEPTION IN THE TRADE EXHIBITION \$60

# Thursday, 6 August

9.00am - 1.00pm

**ANYONE FOR CROQUET?** 

The game of croquet was a very popular game played during the reign of Charles II and called Pall Mall. The first All England Croquet club was formed in 1868. Croquet was also played in France, Italy and now in down town Nedlands. This is sure to be a fun morning so come and see what it is about this game that has stood the test of time.

Comfortable attire is recommended and flat-soled shoes must be worn. In case of rain there are shelters close by to the courts. Rain does not interfere with the game.

**Includes:** Facilitator, coach transport, morning tea and croquet instructor(s).

**\$85** (minimum 16 – maximum 32)

### 9.30am - 12.30pm

# ROYAL PERTH HOSPITAL MUSEUM AND FIRE HERITAGE CENTRE

Displays and archives at the Royal Perth Hospital Museum reflect the medical and social history of the hospital from its establishment in 1855 to the present day. The medical equipment of the past provides a fascinating insight into the changes constantly taking place in the field of medicine, and each object within the museum has a unique story to tell.

Located in the original Perth Central Fire Station, the Fire Heritage Centre showcases a heritage trail offering a history of vintage fire service appliances and exhibition space featuring the history and stories about fire brigades, hazards and emergency responses.

**Includes:** Entry to the museums, morning tea and guide.

**\$35** (minimum 10 – maximum 20)

### 10.30am - 1.30pm COOKING WITH PASSION

Fresh, simple to prepare, and impressive. Back by popular demand is a cooking demonstration at Urban Provider but this time the class menu is "Nico's Favourite Passion", a selection of Nico's favourite dishes he cooks for his own guests. Sign up early for this one!

**Includes:** Cooking demonstration, coach transport, facilitator, and lunch.

**\$195** (minimum 10 – maximum 13)

### 1.30pm – 4.30pm CHAMPAGNE AND CANVAS

Come, paint, sip and enjoy. At the end of the afternoon take home a painting for all to admire. This is a unique way to own an original masterpiece and to be able to say "I did it". Sit down, relax with brush in one hand and a refreshing drink in the other and be guided step-by-step by a professional artist. All participants will paint the same chosen subject.

**Includes:** Professional artist, facilitator, champagne and afternoon tea.

**\$115** (minimum 12 – maximum 25)

5.30pm – 7.00pm SUNDOWNER IN THE TRADE EXHIBITION \$60

6.00pm - 7.30pm

MAYORS AND PRESIDENTS' CIVIC RECEPTION AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE (by prior invitation)

# Friday, 7 August

7.30am - 8.45am

BREAKFAST WITH JUSTIN LANGER (at the PCEC) \$88

9.00am - 11.30am

FIRST AID (at the PCEC)

The course is designed as a lecture/demonstration for those who would like an introduction or basic refresher on first aid knowledge. It covers common injuries and illnesses that occur in everyday life. This course combines both theory and practical demonstrations including the recovery position, Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation [CPR] and fracture management. This course acts as a good foundation on which to build further first aid knowledge and skills.

**Includes:** First Aid Instructor and morning tea.

**\$90** (minimum 20 – maximum 30)

### 9.00am - 4.00pm

### WALK IN THE SHOES OF A CONVICT

Unlike the first convicts who came to our shores by ship, our 'ship' will be courtesy of a Transperth train. However once in Fremantle our guide will have your imagination working overtime as to what it would have been like to reach one of the most feared places of being transported to. Walk the same streets the convicts did when building 'their own home' – the Limestone Lodge (Fremantle Prison) and tour the finished building.

Time to take off the shoes of a convict and return to current times. Ticket of Leave for good behaviour has been earned so a short time can be spent in the nearby markets before being whisked away in more comfortable transport. **Includes:** Train fare, walk and prison guide, refreshments (incl lunch) and transfer back to PCEC.

**\$115** (minimum 10 – maximum 20)

12.00pm – 5.00pm CORE CIDERY

It's a Perth Hills must-do experience. You'll learn about Perth's first cidery, its finest ciders, the brewing process and a few historical yarns from this 4th generation property. The orchard is in a very picturesque destination providing stunning ciders and wines with delicious food.

Please wear closed in shoes and be ready for any weather conditions.

Includes: Transport, facilitator, tour and lunch.

**\$115** (minimum 15 – maximum 30)

7.00pm - 11.30pm

**CONVENTION GALA DINNER** (at the PCEC)

\$90 for partners of Full Delegates

\$190 for all other guests

# Saturday, 8 August

An additional option for Delegates and Partners

8.30am - 4.30pm NEW NORCIA

Due North is where we are headed this year to the charming town of New Norcia. This is an opportunity to see behind closed doors Australia's only monastic town into some of the richly decorated buildings, many of which are listed on the National Trust and not accessible to the public. For a truly unique experience, we join the monks for Midday prayers after viewing the beautifully Spanish Chapel restored within the Monastery Walls.

Lunch is in the beautiful New Norcia Hotel, built in 1927 as a hostel for parents visiting their children being educated at the town's colleges. After lunch there will be time to wander around the New Norcia Museum and Art Gallery before heading back.

**Includes:** Comfortable coach transport, morning tea, lunch, and New Norcia guide.

**\$150** (minimum 15 – maximum 30)

Registration required for all activities - prices include GST.

# GENERAL INFORMATION

# **ONLINE REGISTRATIONS**

### **A SIMPLE PROCESS**

Log on to www.walga.asn.au – and click on the 2015 Convention and Trade Exhibition link to complete your registration online.

Full delegate fees cover the daily conference program, lunches and refreshments, the Opening Reception on Wednesday, 5 August and the Sundowner on Thursday, 6 August. The Convention Gala Dinner on Friday evening is optional and a ticket fee applies.

# **GENERAL INFORMATION**

### **CONVENTION FEES**

Prices are per person and are all inclusive of GST. Deadline for all Registrations is **Tuesday, 7 July 2015.** 

### **Convention Registration**

Full Delegate	\$1,475
WALGA Life Members	Complimentary
Day Delegate Registration	
Day: Thursday, 6 August (includes Sundown	er) \$780
Day: Friday, 7 August	\$725

### **Optional Extras**

### **Gala Dinner**

Full Delegate and Partner		
WALGA Life Member		
Gala Dinner Only		
Breakfast		
ALGWA AGM and Breakfast (Thursday)		
Convention Breakfast with Justin Langer (Friday)		

### Partners/Guests

Opening Reception (Wedne	esday) \$60
Sundowner (Thursday)	\$60
Lunch (Thursday)	\$50
Lunch (Friday)	\$50
Partner Tours	Individual tour fees as listed

Please contact WALGA for more information if your partner would like to attend a particular conference session.

Elected Member Professional Development – see enclosed leaflet for details.

### **CHANGES TO YOUR REGISTRATION**

You can modify your online booking at any time by using the link provided in your confirmation email. Once you have completed your registration, a tax invoice with a confirmation number will be emailed to you. Click on the link and enter your Confirmation Number to make any changes or additions to your reservation.

Registration cancellations must be advised in writing prior to the deadline date of Tuesday, 7 July 2015. Thereafter full fees are payable, or alternatively a registration may be transferred to another member of Council.

### **SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS**

Special dietary requirements, mobility or any other special needs should be indicated when registering – WALGA will use its best endeavours to meet these requests.

### **ACCOMMODATION**

A range of accommodation options were issued to Councils in December, and hotel booking forms and details are available at www.walga.asn.au. Reservations are to be made direct and please note that city hotels have limited guest parking so clarify these arrangements when booking.

### **INTER-VENUE TRANSFERS**

Coach transfers will be provided for the Mayors and Presidents' Reception at Government House on Thursday, 6 August collecting guests from Mounts Bay Road (near Mill Street intersection) – with returns to both the PCEC and CBD hotels, as required.

A limited service will similarly be provided between CBD hotels and the PCEC for the Gala Dinner on Friday evening.

The convenient, free and frequent bus services operating within the CBD are recommended for transfers between city hotels and the PCEC – for detailed information on these services go to www.transperth.wa.gov.au – and hotel staff can offer some local advice to guests.

The limited transfer schedule will be displayed at the Delegate Service Desk.

### **PCEC PARKING**

For those requiring daily parking, WALGA can arrange for a multi-entry (24 hour access) parking space in the underground car park at the PCEC at a daily cost of \$37. Parking space requests must be indicated on the registration form – please note the non-extendable deadline for these requests is Tuesday, 7 July 2015.

### **ENQUIRIES**

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