

2018 QICA Conference Program

Hughenden, Qld

Monday 8th October

- 09.00 QICA Road Trip Departs Townsville Airport
- 12.30 Conference Registration Opens at Diggers Entertainment Centre, Hughenden
- 13.00 Road Trip Arrives Hughenden
- 13.00 Lunch @ DEC
- 13.30 Conference Opening - QICA President Anita Fry
- 13.45 Welcome by Flinders Shire Mayor Jayne McNamara
- 14.00 Dirt 'n' Dust an events tourism success - Margie Ryder
- 14.30 Refreshment Break
- 14.45 Current tourism trends - TEQ
- 15.15 Guest Speaker – Laurie Kelly from Mindworks
- 16.30 Buses to accommodation
- 17.30 Meet & Greet Social function – Sunset @ Mount Walker with gourmet BBQ

Tuesday 9th October

- 09.00 Morning trip to Porcupine Gorge
- 12.30 Lunch @ DEC
- 13.30 Round Table sessions –
 - Booking Systems research – Cathy Mitchell, Noosa VIC
 - Developing a VIC Handbook for staff and volunteers – Emily Cleaver, Bundaberg VIC
 - Local Events and VICs – Kelli Rabbit, Scenic Rim
 - Update from the annual audits – Wayne Clift, Visit Qld
 - VICs with Benefits – Rae Domin, Tyto VIC
 - National Parks update - QPWS
- 15.00 Refreshment Break
- 15.15 How to get the most out of your National Parks- QPWS
- 15.45 Drive through tourism - Peter Homan, OQTA
- 16.15 Open discussion on VIC Projects for 2019
- 17.00 Free time
- 19.00 VIC of the Year Awards Function

Wednesday 10th October

- 09.00 2019 Host Presentation
- 09.15 QICA AGM
- 10.30 Coach Departs for Townsville
- 15.00 Coach Arrives Townsville