



Works and Parks Conference 2018

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Presenters

STEVE ROBERTSON



Steve presents a unique and insightful look into management—with a career in conflict resolution, stakeholder engagement, project management and various law enforcement assignments that spans more than 22 years.

In his most recent role as Station Leader—Mawson Research Station, Antarctica—Steve applied his proven expertise and strategic nous to meet and exceed all directives and targets, achieving an overall reduction in total fuel usage by 30% whilst improving the efficiency of the wind turbine/power plant by 30+%. This achievement was 50% above target and had not previously been achieved at any Australian Antarctic or sub-Antarctic station. Steve credits this amazing effort to his staff as well as his ability to lead and, at times, direct them, whilst all the while nurturing and supporting them through an Antarctic winter.

Steve's roles with Victoria Police include Manager & Coordinator; Melbourne International Shooting Club, Supervisor; Covert Services Unit, Instructor; Operational Safety & Tactical Training Unit, Officer In Charge; One Member Police Station, Manager; Gay & Lesbian Liaison Unit, Youth Resource Officer as well as front line policing in Melbourne's Western suburbs.

JUDD HOBSON



Judd was born and bred in Kulin and grew up playing football and hockey and being involved in community activities and events throughout his schooling until year 10. He then headed to Perth for years 11 and 12 at Como Senior High.

On his return home in 1998, Judd started work in spare parts at a local machinery dealer, before taking up a position of roller driver at the Kulin Shire in February 2001. This was the start of Judd's career in the Local Shire. Twelve years passed, and with a mass of experience under his belt in various positions he found himself as Leading Hand Grader Driver.

Another opportunity arose; it meant a move to the Shire of Wandering but with it came the great chance for Judd to show his ability to be a Works Supervisor.

After spending almost 12 months there, next was a move to Westonia to further his career as a Works Supervisor with a bigger shire. After 4 years in Westonia, and learning a lot more about Local Government, Judd has now done the full circle and moved back to Kulin, with his wife, to take up the position of Manager of Works there. Judd has always called Kulin home and he's happy to be back and involved with the community.

ROBERT CLOVER



Robert is a highly-regarded corporate trainer who is committed to helping individuals and organisations to reach their full potential.

Robert's enthusiastic and energetic style enables him to relate easily and effectively on all levels in the workplace. His instructional design capability is much sought after by many organisations.

Through his experience as a Senior HR Manager with an international company plus his demonstrated entrepreneurial skills, along with many years as a Mayor and Councillor in Local Government, Robert understands the corporate world and uses this knowledge to empower seminar participants to process issues and apply the key learning concepts to their own situations.

RENEE ROHDE



Renee has a Bachelor degree in Exercise and Sports Science, a Graduate Certificate in Health Promotion and her Master's in Public Health.

Renee's role as a Manager of Workcare Services at LGIS has her overseeing LGIS's people risk programs, including the health and wellbeing program, injury prevention and injury management services, and the Human Resources risk management services.

Renee and her team work collaboratively to provide support, advise and services to assist Local Governments with the prevention of physical and psychosocial injuries, or in the unfortunate event of an injury occurring, helping the member get the injured worker back to work as quickly and safety as possible.

MELANIE PORTMAN



Melanie (Mel) has worked in Environmental Management in southwest WA for over 20 years.

Her focus has been the assessment and management of native vegetation, whether on farm, roadside or in reserves. Based out of local government for 11 years before starting Ecoedge, Mel assisted 3 shires with the environmental aspects of their works programs and policies, and also delivered staff and works crew training in these areas. Through Ecoedge, Mel helps clients find workable solutions to the environmental speedbumps and roadblocks they face so they can focus on their core work, whatever that may be. Her greatest joy in regards to work comes from problem solving—simple solutions that anticipate needs, keep things flowing and minimise uncertainties and unnecessary risks.

JOANNE EGGLESTON

Over a lengthy career of 25 years, Joanne has supported diverse individual and organisational clients to achieve the objectives of transforming workplace practices, cultures and behaviours. Joanne holds a Master in Organisational Psychology and is trained in advanced mediation skills.

Joanne is also an accredited practitioner of LSI/GSI as well as BarOn and EIQ emotional intelligence assessment tools.

Joanne's role as a HR Risk Consultant at LGIS involves the provision of assessment and development services in conflict resolution, communication and teamwork; providing guidance on performance matters; advising leaders and managers on HR policies and procedures, change management and organisational development; running culture and climate surveys and providing advice on systems, people and process issues.



TERRY MELROSE

Terry originates from Rockhampton in Central Queensland. He has worked in youth services and also provided personal care and support within both a hospital setting and with a local non-government disability service.

As part of his life adventure Terry travelled to Western Australia a number of years ago. His previous employment led to involvement with the WA Pilot of Drought Reform.

Men's holistic wellbeing and health and working in a regional setting has been an area of interest that has now become a reality for Terry who currently works as a Community Educator with The Regional Men's Health Initiative delivered by WMH (Inc.).

Terry is strongly supported by his partner and they have three young children.



SHANE RAKICH

Shane is an engaging manager and facilitator who thrives on innovation and being able to connect with clients.

Along with a Bachelor of Exercise Science and qualifications in training, assessment and sport's coaching, Shane has built more than 10 years in experience leading and managing teams in the corporate sector, fitness industry and sport.

He has outstanding results in the corporate world with a distinct passion for helping clients identify, hone and use their strengths to benefit their team.



FIONA DERRICK

Fiona has been employed by RAMM as a RAMM Software Implementor for the past three-and-a-half years.

Prior to that she was with the National Asset Information team in New Zealand, during which time she implemented and supported AMISPRO and Fuse for Downer.



CAROL REDFORD

Carol's passion for astronomy and stargazing was ignited during the years she owned Gingin Observatory (2007-2012).

In 2013, she established Stargazers Club WA (www.stargazersclubwa.com.au) where she and her team introduce beginners of all ages to the world of astronomy, telescopes, stargazing and astrophotography.

Carol is Chair of WA's astronomy and space science community, Astronomy WA, and a member of the International Dark-Sky Association. She now combines her passion and marketing qualifications to develop an Astrotourism industry across regional Western Australia (www.astrotourismwa.com.au), where the State's dark night sky asset will be protected from artificial light pollution and shared with visitors from around the world.



GRETCHEN LUMSDEN R.N. DIP. EDUC.

Gretchen has 40 years experience in the health industry.

She is a registered nurse who brings up-to-date clinical information to you with practical help for attendees. Her sessions are entertaining, lively and packed with powerful information to save lives and ensure a healthy workforce. Gretchen is in demand across Australia achieving remarkable health and lifestyle behaviour changes for executives, managerial staff and operational staff.

Gretchen has a unique and very natural style of presentation, which immediately captures the attention of her audience. Her knowledge of the subject is clearly that of a specialist and together with her skill as a presenter, results in a most professional presentation.



Program Outline



WEDNESDAY 15 AUGUST

Time	Speaker/Presentation	Session Chair
8.00 am	Official Opening and Welcome Albert Jacob The Honourable Lord Mayor of Joondalup	Arthur Cousins, President, LGSA WA Inc
8.15 am	Steve Robertson CEO, MWOA The 4C's + 1 of Management	
9.15 am	Judd Hobson Manager of Works, Shire of Kulin Keeping country towns interesting	
9.45 am	Robert Clover Creative Director – Programs & Strategies, Preferred Training Networks Managing and Supervising Outdoor Staff within Local Government	
10.30 am	Morning tea with the Exhibitors Food and Beverages available at the inside and outside stands	
11.00 am	Renee Rohde Manager, Workcare Services, Local Government Insurance Services Drugs and Alcohol Awareness – The Effect on the Body	Ken Markham, Vice President, LGSA WA Inc DAIMLERTRUCKSPERTH  Operated by Skipper Trucks DL1571 MR62731
11.30 am	Melanie Portman Ecoedge Clearing permits, vegetation surveys and fauna surveys	
12.00 pm	Joanne Eggleston Consultant for LGIS Phasing into retirement	
12.30 pm	Terry Melrose Community Educator, Regional Men's Health Initiative Distress and why mental health and wellbeing matters	
1.00 pm–2.00 pm	Lunch with the Exhibitors—Kindly Sponsored by Daimler Trucks Perth Kindly take your lunch and visit the Exhibition stands	
2.00 pm	Shane Rakish State Manager WA, Corporate Challenge Fostering a positive cultural environment through fun team events	Glenn Casley, Committee Member, LGSA WA Inc
3.00 pm–4.00 pm	External Exhibitor visits Spruiker—drinks supplied outside only—no drinks available at bar	
6.30 pm	Pre dinner drinks in the Tom Jones lounge. Dinner will commence 7.15 pm Dress code: Men—collared shirt; Ladies—cocktail attire	

THURSDAY 16 AUGUST

Time	Speaker/Presentation	Session Chair
8.00 am	Annual General Meeting—All members and non-members welcome Buffet breakfast will be provided for those who attend	Arthur Cousins, President, LGSA WA Inc
9.15 am	Aaron Schier Westrac Technology Solution Specialist Caterpillar's Driver Safety System (DSS)	Calvin Shotter Committee Member, LGSA WA Inc
9.30 am	Fiona Derrick RAMM Software Storing Road Data for the Shires	
10.00 am	Carol Redford Astrotourism WA Astrotourism WA: a new pathway to protect dark night skies and grow tourism in regional WA	
10.30 am	Morning Tea Last chance to visit the Exhibition stands	
11.15 am	Gretchen Lumsden Director, Institute of Weight & Life Management Ways to enhance your immunity to help prevent and recover from infections and to help in the fight against cancer	Karl Mickle, Committee Member, LGSA WA Inc
12.15 pm	Closing remarks Arthur Cousins, President, LGSA WA Inc Site visit to Jason Signmakers	

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