

# Talkin Soil Health 'Building Natural Capital'

Program  
March 11 - 13  
York Town Hall WA

## DAY ONE - Preconference Summer Cover Field Trip

Time	Min	Topic	Presenter
08:30 - 11:30	180	Self drive Travel to Mallee Hill	
11:30 - 14:00	150	Hollands Track Farms, Mallee Hill* Lunch Presentation Multi-species perennial pastures walk	Kelly Family
14:00 - 15:45	105	Self Drive Travel to Wogolin (North of Harrismith)	
15:45 - 16:15	30	Quartermaine Farm* Summer Pasture Trials Tedera, Lebeckia and Serradella Soil CRC Trial Site	Sarah Hyde Facey Group
16:15 - 18:15	120	Self Drive Travel to York	
18:15		Arrive at York	

\* Registered participants will be emailed maps and directions prior

## DAY TWO - Conference York Town Hall

### Registration 8.00 - 8.30 am

Time	Min	Topic	Presenter
08:30 - 08:35	5	Welcome and introduction	Chris Wyhoon Deputy Chair Wheatbelt NRM
08:35 - 08:45	10	Master of Ceremonies Format and housekeeping	Belinda Varischetti ABC Country Hour
08:45 - 08:55	10	Welcome to Country	Audrey Narkle Nettle Ballardong Elder
08:55 - 09:10	15	Opening address	Hon Alannah MacTiernan MLC Minister for Regional Development; Agriculture and Food; Ports.
09:10 - 09:25	15	Welcome address	Major General John Hartley Soils for Life
09:25 - 10:30	65	Building natural capital in agricultural soils, what is it? How do you build it and why would you bother?	Keynote Speaker Joel Williams Integrated Soils
<b>10:30 - 10:50 am Morning Tea (20 minutes)</b>			
10:50 - 11:00	10	What are DPIRD's priorities to assist farmers to adapt to a changing climate and improve farm resilience?	Dr Rob Sudmeyer DPIRD
11:00 - 11:05	5	Wheatbelt Soil Health Champion	Wheatbelt NRM Soil Health Champion video
11:05 - 11:25	20	Finding the sweet spot—Why you can't look at soil only in terms of chemical and physical properties.	Stuart McAlpine Farmer
11:25 - 11:45	20	Soil biological fertility and climate resilience	Emeritus Professor Lyn Abbott University of WA
11:45 - 11:50	5	Peel-Harvey Soil Health Champion	Peel Harvey Catchment Council Soil Health Champion
11:50 - 12:10	20	Adding compost to sandy soils	Rob Grylls Farmer
12:10 - 12:30	20	Western Australian agricultural soils, capacity for carbon sequestration	Assoc. Professor Fran Hoyle UWA SoilsWest
12:30 - 12:50	20	What could be the big potential game changers in years to come?	Dr Michael Crawford Soil CRC
<b>12:50 - 13:35 pm Lunch (45 minutes)</b>			
13:35 - 13:40	5	Panel sponsor introduction	Best Environmental Technologies
13:40 - 14:20	40	Building carbon, what are the options for dryland ag soils, what works, and where is the evidence?	<b>Panel</b> Stuart McAlpine Joel Williams Assoc. Professor Fran Hoyle Emeritus Professor Lyn Abbott

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Time	Min	Topic	Presenter
14:20 - 14:25	5	Northern Agricultural Soil Health Champion	Northern Agricultural Catchment Council Soil Health Champion
14:25 - 14:45	20	Building soil biology using discs and stripper front: Year one trial results	Wendy Bradshaw Gillamii Centre
14:45 - 15:05	20	Improved management of herbicide residues in soils	Richard Bell Soil CRC - Murdoch University
15:05 - 15:25	20	Multi-species Summer cover cropping	Nick Kelly Farmer
15:25 - 15:40	15	Office of the National Soils Advocate priorities	Sue Bestow Office of National Soils Advocate
15:40 - 15:45	5	South Coast Soil Health Champion	South Coast NRM Soil Health Champion
<b>15:45 - 16:10 pm Afternoon Tea (25 minutes)</b>			
16:10 - 16:30	20	Application of digital technology in improvement of soil health	Brad Jones Farmer
16:30 - 16:35	5	Perth Soil Health Champion	Perth NRM Soil Health Champion
16:35 - 16:45	10	Current opportunities and introduction of the panel	Joe Gebbels Meat and Livestock Australia
16:45 - 17:15	30	What are the key things that we have heard about today that farmers could realistically implement within the short-to-medium term	<b>Panel</b> Nick Kelly Brad Jones Joel Williams
17:15 - 17:20	5	<b>Summary and wrap up</b>	Belinda Varischetti ABC Country Hour

## Cocktail Party - Faversham House York

Time	Min	Topic	Presenter
18:30	15	Arrive for canapés, dinner and drinks	
18:45 - 18:50	5	Welcome and Introduction	Natarsha Woods CEO, Wheatbelt NRM
18:50 - 18:55	5	WA Farmers address	Rhys Turton President
18:55 - 19:00	5	Pastoral and Graziers Association address	Tony Seabrook President
19:00 - 19:20	20	Soil Health Champion Awards	Chris Wyhoon and Nick Kelly
21:30	3	Close	Felicity Gilbert Wheatbelt NRM

### DAY THREE - Workshop York Town Hall

Time	Min	Topic	Presenter
08.30 - 10:15	105	Whole of farm planning to maximise summer ground cover and fill feed gaps workshop	Phil Barrett Lennard AgVivo
<b>10:15 - 10:35 am Morning Tea (20 minutes)</b>			
10:35 - 12:00	85	Whole of farm planning to maximise summer ground cover and fill feed gaps workshop continued	Phil Barrett Lennard AgVivo
<b>12:00 - 13:00 pm Lunch and conference close (60 minutes)</b>			

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### DAY THREE - Field Trip to Brookton

Time	Min	Topic	Presenter
07:00 - 7:30	30	Breakfast for field trip participants Bacon and egg rolls plus coffee	York Town Hall
07:30 - 08:30	60	Bus leaves * 07:30 sharp to travel to first site	
08:30 - 10:00	90	Organic composting facility visit	Jason Chittleborough NutraRich
10:00 - 10:15	15	Travel	
10:15 - 11:15	60	Lucerne in a dry summer	Pike Family Farm Brookton
11:15 - 12:00	45	Travel back to York	
<b>12:00 - 13:00 pm Lunch and conference close (60 minutes)</b>			

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