

17th Asian Apiculture Association Conference

12 - 14 June 2024

Perth, Western Australia



Delegate Booklet

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INVITATION

Australian AAA Representative: Kim Fewster

Attendees, guests, and colleagues—welcome to Perth

As the Asian Apiculture Association Australian delegate, I extend my sincerest gratitude to the organisers and volunteers for investing their energy and creativity to provide an amazing event for us to enjoy.

Beekeeping is a challenging yet rewarding subject for anyone who takes on the task. I understand this concept on a very personal level. Our intention with this conference is to help those who are involved in the Beekeeping world to navigate the winding road toward success and sustainability. Having a team you can depend on is a crucial aspect of the role we have taken on. Our hope is that by the end of our conference, you will consider us as part of your team. During this event, we encourage you to make contacts and forge connections that will reinforce your feeling of inclusion and understanding. If I can be of any assistance in this endeavour, then please feel free to reach out.

Our agenda features expert speakers and cutting-edge research that will help us better understand the dynamics of beekeeping and apitherapy in the Asian region.

Though successful beekeeping comes in many forms and through various techniques, certain key features define and underlie our responsibilities. For example, promoting diversity, acknowledging the many challenges, fostering a climate of encouragement, education and healthy exchange are foundational.

Our intention is for you to find this conference helpful in moving you toward your ideals and prosperity in the Apiculture industry.

Please enjoy our wonderful city of Perth whilst you are visiting.

Kim Fewster
AAA Australian delegate

CONFERENCE VENUE

Introducing the Esplanade Hotel, Fremantle, Perth Western Australia



The port city of Fremantle is located at the mouth of the Swan River, just 25 minutes away from Perth, the capital of Western Australia. The city's impressive heritage buildings are mostly constructed using the pale-coloured local limestone, which adds to their charm. The conference venue, the Esplanade Hotel, is located in the heart of the city. There are a variety of lodging options available in the city, ranging from backpackers to 5-star luxury. A train line connects the Perth Airport to Fremantle, and once there, visitors can explore many attractions within walking distance of the venue.

IMPORTANT DATES

Abstract submission deadline	19 FEB 2024
Deadline for reduced AAA Conference fees	31 MAR 2024
Notification of accepted abstracts	18 MAR 2024
Deadline for registration	24 MAY 2024
AAA Conference	13 + 14 JUN 2024
AAA Apitherapy Forum	12 JUN 2024
Technical tour	15 – 17 JUN 2024

USEFUL TIPS

LANGUAGE

English is the official language in Australia

TIME

Western Australia is on the same timeline as China but is 3 hours behind the east coast of Australia.

CURRENCY AND EXCHANGE

The currency in Australia is AUD\$ and is relatively stable. Cards are widely accepted by Visa, and MasterCard is preferred to Amex.

TRANSPORT

The train line runs from the airport, through Perth City to Fremantle. There are buses, scooters, and various forms of taxis available. Fremantle is easy to walk around and includes shops, the beach and many eating options.

PARKING

Parking options: [Click Here](#).

Please note the current rate is subject to change and availability.

ELECTRICITY

In Australia, the plug features a trio of flat pins arranged in a unique triangular configuration. The Australian electrical system operates with a frequency of 50Hz and is designed to accommodate a supply voltage of 240V AC.



CLIMATE

Perth/Fremantle has a Mediterranean climate and June is within the winter season. Temperatures are expected to range on average between a high of 19°C and a low of 11°C and rain can occur. A raincoat/wind sheet is recommended for your outdoor protection.

The Technical Tour travels north towards Kalbarri. The average high temperature can be as high as 23°C with the low remaining at 11°C. You will need a wide-brimmed hat, sunglasses and a long-sleeved shirt for protection from the sun. Walking boots are recommended.

ACCOMMODATION SUGGESTIONS

The Esplanade Hotel, 46-54 Marine Terrace, Fremantle WA 6160
Phone: (08) 9432 4000 | Website: [Click Here](#)

The Norfolk Hotel, 47 South Terrace, Fremantle WA 6160
Phone: (08) 9335 5405 | Website: [Click Here](#)

The Hougoumont Hotel, 15 Bannister St, Fremantle WA 6160
Phone: (08) 6160 6800 | Website: [Click Here](#)

Quest Fremantle, 8 Pakenham Street, Fremantle WA 6160
Phone: (08) 9433 9400 | Website: [Click Here](#)

The National Hotel, 98 High Street, Fremantle WA 6160 Phone:
(08) 9335 6688 | Website: [Click Here](#)

Tradewinds Hotel, 1 Sewell Street, East Fremantle WA 6158
Phone: (08) 9339 8188 | Website: [Click Here](#)

The Local Hotel, 282 South Terrace, South Fremantle WA 6162
Phone: (08) 6219 5510 | Website: [Click Here](#)

BE. Serviced Apartments, 43 Mews Road, Fremantle 6160
Phone: (08) 9430 3888 | Website: [Click Here](#)

VISA PROCEDURE

Unless you are an Australian citizen, you will need a valid Australian visa to enter the country. New Zealand passport holders can apply for a visa upon arrival in the country. All other passport holders, regardless of age, must apply for a visa before leaving home.

Check the following webpage to find your VISA information: [Visa Information](#)

LIABILITY AND INSURANCE

Registration fees do not include the insurance of participants against personal accidents, sickness and cancellations by any party, theft, loss or damage to personal possessions. Participants are advised to take out adequate personal insurance to cover travel, accommodation, cancellation and personal effects. Congress organisers cannot accept liability for personal injuries sustained or for loss or damage of property belonging to meeting participants, either during, or as a result of the meeting.

CUSTOM INFORMATION

No honeybee products and equipment are permitted to enter Western Australia.

This includes:

Honey, honeycomb, propolis, royal jelly, pollen, beeswax, bees (dead), bee larvae (dead), used beehives, beekeeping appliances/equipment, queen candy and other honey products.

Entry of honeybee products and equipment into Western Australia is not allowed without compliance with strict import regulations.

- Information about international imports can be found [here](#).
- Requirements for imports into Western Australia from another Australian state or territory are [here](#).

Do not send deliveries directly to the venue. Please kindly note that the venue will not accept any direct deliveries. For the trade show, there will be special instructions following to the exhibitors. The organisers will not accept deliveries and take no responsibility for shipments made directly to the venue.



SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

Scope of the proposed Program

- Bee Biology
- Bee Pests and Diseases
- Bees and Environment
- Mellifluous Flora Pollination
- Beekeeping Management/Economy
- Bee Products and Apitherapy
- Bee Protection/Technology
- Bee Breeding/Extension

Oral presentation guideline

- The time allocated for each presentation is 15 minutes including Q&A (Presentation: 12 mins, Q&A: 3 mins)
- Presenters should speak in English for the presentation.
- Presentation slides must be in English.
- Supported file types for the presentations are Microsoft PowerPoint and Adobe Acrobat.
- Presenters are required to submit their presentation at least 2 hours before their session to the Speaker Room which will be sign-posted. If the session is first in the morning, presenters need to submit their presentation the day before.
- Presenters are prohibited from using personal computers in the session rooms for their presentations.
- We kindly ask presenters to be in the session hall at least 10 minutes before the session starts. Presenters should contact the Chairs of the session and inform them about their participation.
- We kindly ask presenters not to leave the hall until the session finishes. Additional questions may be asked.

Instructions for poster display

- The poster size must be 70 cm in width x 100 cm in height.
- Posters will be displayed in the Poster Area which is located on the opposite side of the presentation hall on the same floor.
- The posters will have their own allocated time during the Welcome drinks TUE 12 June. The poster lead author will have a free admission to the Welcome drinks evening. The poster will continue to be on display throughout the conference until close to 14 JUNE.
- Authors are invited to stand by their poster during the poster sessions to present their posters, for possible questions by Conference participants.
- Each poster will be assigned an abstract reference number and must be hung on the display board marked with the same number.
- The necessary accessories for hanging the poster will be supplied at the Conference Organisers Desk
- The poster must be hung before the start of the Conference on 12 June by 9 am. The poster will remain on display throughout the 3 days of the Conference. Posters are to be removed at the end of the Conference Friday, 14 June at 4 pm.
- Authors must strictly respect the above-mentioned timing for hanging and removing posters.
- Posters not removed by the scheduled time will be removed by the Conference organisers and disposed of.
- The Conference Organisers are not responsible for lost posters.

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

The AAA 2024 Scientific Committee welcomes the submission of original contributions for oral and poster presentations at the Congress.

- Abstracts can only be submitted online via the online abstract submission system. Abstracts sent by post or email will not be accepted. No exceptions will be made.
- Abstract Submission deadline is 19 FEB 2024.
- AAA Scientific Committee Members will evaluate the submitted abstract. Members will evaluate the abstract according to the criteria of the AAA 2024 Scientific Committee.
- Abstract will be selected according to the highest points given by the committee members in each category.
- Notification of poster abstract outcome will be by 18th March 2024 together with the free Welcome drink admission.
- The presenting author of the abstract will need to register for the congress.
- One registered author can submit a maximum number of 3 abstracts
- If none of the authors can present the abstract during the congress, the abstract should be withdrawn.

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TECHNICAL TOUR

15 – 17 JUNE 2024 – BEEHAVEN ECO TOUR



HIGHLIGHTS

DAY 1

Visit of a manuka plantation, historical settlers' villages, spectacular coastline travel to Geraldton.

Accommodation: Geraldton

DAY 2

Visit the preferred bee winter residence region Kalbarri and gateway to the Murchison River, Kalbarri National Park outlook and Z-Bend.

Accommodation: Geraldton

DAY 3

Visit Beekeepers Reserve Jurien Bay, Pinnacles, Lobster Shack return to Perth 4 pm.

Apiculture in the Southwest of Western Australia

Western Australia (WA) is renowned for its flora. The southwest is one of the world's 34 biodiversity 'hotspots' with some of the richest and most unique reservoirs of plant life on earth.

The honey bee arrived in WA with the first European settlers more than 175 years ago. Taking advantage of the warm climate and nutritious flower pollination attractants, honeybees thrived with honey production from the Karri Forests establishing a Guinness Book record.

The dominance of flowering forests enables beekeepers to manage their husbandry to produce unique honey varieties. Infamous is Jarrah honey but also gaining in popularity is Marri, Yarri, Wandoo and Yate. Each has a unique flavour and bioactivity with the sugar and pollen content determining its crystallisation rate. WA also has its own Manuka-like plants able to offer the same bioactivity through the formation of MGO.

Wisely, to protect honey bee health WA closed its borders to honey bee products in 1977 and, as a result, beekeepers manage the healthiest honey bees in the world. As there is no Varroa pest or European foulbrood, bee husbandry in WA is managed without antibiotic or pesticide use.

With border closure, the beekeeping community supports the oldest honey bee breeding program in Australia. Renowned is the annual migration of beekeepers with their breeding stock to the pristine Rottnest Island for the mating season. There, in isolation, thousands of drones shadow the sky to ensure each Queen is impregnated with the widest genetic diversity to sustain the health and vigour of the next generation.

The Bee Industry Council of Western Australia (BICWA) is the peak body of the beekeeping community. It is the amalgamation of commercial, amateur and hobby beekeepers who number more than 5,200. This community harvests approximately \$60 million worth of honey bee products and supports pollination services that contribute \$1.1 billion to agriculture production.

BICWA supports cutting-edge honey bee research, whether it is to provide proof of honey authenticity and bioactivity, examining the sustainability of our melliferous flora, or supporting the development of new tools to monitor and maintain the health of our honey bees. Upholding the health of our honey bees to benefit the world's population is foremost in BICWA's planning.

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