

Blue Skies Conference - Kaiapoi 15 – 17 April 2016

Conference schedule



Friday 15 April

11am -12:30pm: Registration and lunch

12:30pm – 5pm: Welcome, external tours and on site demonstrations

There will be 3 concurrent tours allocated on arrival:

[Tour A](#) – [Patience & Nicholson](#), Model steam engineering workshop, Blue Skies on site demonstrations

[Tour B](#) – Model steam engineering workshop, Blue Skies on site demonstrations, [Patience & Nicholson](#)

[Tour C](#) – Blue Skies on site demonstrations, [Patience & Nicholson](#), Model steam engineering workshop

On site demonstrations include:

- Chainsaw/Dremel/Rotary carving, Dean Bazley
- Carbatec, Cancer Society, 3M / Blackwoods Protector, Cabot's
- Rex Marshall Woodturner

5pm until late: Social get together, “Our shed in a shoebox” exhibition and Carbatec BBQ dinner

Saturday 16 April

9am - 5:30pm: Official opening and conference sessions

- 9 - 9:30.
 - Ray Hall, Chairman MENZSHED NZ - Welcome
 - David Ayers, Mayor of Waimakariri District - formal opening.
- 9:30 - 10:30am.
 - Diversity, collaboration and innovation in Australia - David Helmers AMSA Executive Officer.
- 10.30 - 11am. Break
- 11 - 12pm.
 - Men's sheds and their impact on health - John Robinson (Linwood Men's Shed) and Martin Witt (Cancer Society)
- 12 - 1:30pm. Lunch break
- 1:30 - 2:30pm.
 - Worksafe NZ – Paul Hendry
- 2:30 - 3:30pm.
 - Diversity - 3 very different sheds
 - Havelock Menzshed - Mike Harbord,
 - Manurewa Boomer Business - Graeme Bakker,
 - Halswell Men's Shed – Roger Spicer.
- 3:30 - 4pm. Break
- 4 - 4:30pm.
 - Is it a shed or a business? McIver's Oxford Community Men's Shed -Trevor Scott
- 4:30 - 5:00pm.
 - Financial and charities reporting. Christchurch Community Accounting - Harald Breiding-Buss
- 5:00 – 5:15pm. Closing comments.
- 6pm onwards
 - Fair Dinkum Sheds Conference dinner at Kaiapoi Golf Club

Sunday 17 April

9am – 12pm:

- 9 – 10:15am. Q&A session
- 10:15 – 10:45am. Break
- 10:45 – 12pm AGM
- 12pm. Close of conference