

24th annual Queensland Landcare Conference 27 – 29 September 2013 | Warwick



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Warwick to host hundreds of landcarers at 24th state conference

It's months away, but Warwick residents are already preparing for hundreds of landcarers who'll be visiting the district for the 24th annual Landcare Conference in September next year.

Condamine Headwaters Landcare Group has been announced as the 2013 Queensland Landcare Conference host, bringing together hundreds of land managers, extension staff and researchers finding solutions for balancing healthy habitats and profitable production.

Andrew O'Dea, President Condamine Headwaters Landcare said the event was a unique opportunity to showcase the best of the Southern Downs and surrounding districts.

"We're going to be bringing hundreds of land managers to Warwick, from across the State," Andrew said. "As well as offering exceptional speakers, workshops, skills sessions and field trips, we're also going to make sure that people have adequate time to explore the district and all it has to offer."

The theme of the conference is *healthy habitats ... profitable production* and the group expects to attract between 250 and 300 delegates.

"Landcare Conferences have a 24 year history in Queensland," Andrew said. "We are thrilled to be the host for the 2013 event."

"There will be special packages to encourage local land managers to attend and our field trips will look at farming practice, land use and environmental challenges across the Downs."

"As well as the obvious education and community benefits of having this event in Warwick, the Conference always provides a valuable economic boost to the local economy. We're now seeking sponsors to ensure we put on a good show."

The event takes place 27 – 29 September at St Mary's Upper Campus and the program will feature a mix of keynote presentations, hands-on workshops, social functions, field trips and a Junior Landcare component.

Further information is available at <http://tinyurl.com/landcare2013> or by contacting Condamine Headwaters Landcare on 07 4661 9909 or catherine@ddrlandcare.org.

Registrations open in April.

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