



**ATTA Conference**

# **Getting Back Together**

**ATTWOOD 2023**

**BEST WESTERN AIRPORT MOTEL & CONVENTION CENTRE**

**ATTWOOD VICTORIA**

**24, 25, 26 July 2023**





**Pre-Conference Meet and Greet - Sunday 23 July 2023 – 5 to 9pm**  
Drinks, Canapes and Dinner at Best Western Airport Motel and Convention Centre  
33 Ardlie Street, Attwood, VIC 3049

Sponsored by: **Skills Insight**

<b>Day 1 - Monday 24 July 2023</b>	
8:00	Registration
8:30	<i>"Welcome to Annual Conference"</i> <b>Andy Cusack</b> , ATTA President
8:40	<i>"Official Opening"</i> <b>Melina Bath MP</b> , Nationals Member for Eastern Victoria & Shadow Parliamentary Secretary of Public Land Use
9:30	<i>"Skills Insight – Skills Impact to Skills Insight – The journey begins...."</i> <b>Michael Hartman</b> , CEO
10:30 Morning Tea	
11:00	<i>"ForestWorks – Business as Usual"</i> <b>Michael Borowick (JP)</b> , CEO and Company Secretary
12:00 Lunch	
12:45	<i>Australian Forest Contractors Association (AFCA)</i> <i>"Chain of Responsibility and accreditation from a contractor's perspective"</i> <i>"End of native forestry in Victoria and Western Australia – implications"</i> <i>"Future skills training needs"</i> <b>Ian Reid, AFCA Director, and Managing Director Austimber Harvesting &amp; Haulage</b>
1:45	<i>"vetr – Professional Development for Trainers &amp; Assessors"</i> <b>Phil Bevan (via Zoom from Vanuatu)</b>
3:00 Afternoon Tea	
3:30	<i>"Stihl Presentation – Updates, Innovations and New Technology"</i> <b>Andrew Batson</b> , Manager Key Accounts & Export – STIHL Australia
4:30	Day 1 Workshop Wrap up and Group Photo

6:30pm

Dinner and Refreshments - Sponsored by:



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## Day 2 – Tuesday 25 July 2023

8:45	<i>"ATTA Matters"</i> <b>Andy Cusack, ATTA President</b>
9:00	<i>"Shared experience with Victorian Wildfires as a Logging Contractor"</i> <b>Brett Robins, Robins Logging</b>

10:00 Morning Tea

10:30	<i>"Background on Frames and Trusses and a view of the National Forestry Training Agenda"</i> <b>Kersten Gentle, Frame &amp; Truss Manufacturer's Association of Australia Ltd, CEO</b>
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12:00 Lunch

1:00	<b><i>"Field Trip to Waratah"</i></b> <i>Hop on the bus and head to Waratah's Head Office at Melton</i> <i>Overview of products and training, simulators and use of virtual reality</i> <b>Hosts: Brendon Satchwell - Area Customer Support Manager, and Aaron Marsh - Customer Support Specialist</b>
4:00	Travel back to Best Western Airport Motel and Convention Centre
4:30	Day 2 Wrap Up

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## Day 3 – Wednesday 26 July 2023

8:30	<i>ATTA Annual General Meeting &amp; General Meeting</i> <i>Discuss 2024</i> <i>ATTA's future – General Discussion</i>
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10:00 Morning Tea

10:30	<i>"Promoting, marketing and delivering full qualifications to industry"</i> <b>Rob Rule, Manager Timber Training Creswick Ltd</b>
11:15	<i>"Professional Development for Trainers and Assessors"</i> <b>Rod Stebbing, National Workplace Services Group Pty Ltd (NWSG)</b>

12:00 Lunch

12:45	<i>"Trainer Workshop – Unpacking units of competency"</i> <i>FWPCOT2273 Trim and cut felled trees (Release 1) – 25 January 2023</i> <b>Rod Stebbing, National Workplace Services Group Pty Ltd (NWSG)</b>
3:00	Wrap-up/Close Conference Feedback forms Certificate of Attendance