



AUSTRALIA FACTS

Australia, officially the Commonwealth of Australia, is a country in the Southern Hemisphere comprising the mainland of the Australian continent, the island of Tasmania, and numerous smaller islands in the Indian and Pacific Oceans. Neighboring countries include Indonesia, East Timor, and Papua New Guinea to the north, the Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, and New Caledonia to the northeast and New Zealand to the southeast.

For at least 40,000 years before European settlement in the late 18th century, Australia was inhabited by indigenous Australians, who belonged to one or more of roughly 250 language groups. After discovery by Dutch explorers in 1606, Australia's eastern half was claimed by Britain in 1770 and initially settled through penal transportation to the colony of New South Wales, formally founded on 7 February 1788 (although formal possession of the land had occurred on 26 January 1788). The population grew steadily in subsequent decades; the continent was explored and an additional five self-governing Crown Colonies were established.

On 1 January 1901, the six colonies became a federation and the Commonwealth of Australia was formed. Since Federation, Australia has maintained a stable liberal democratic political system and is a Commonwealth realm. The population is 22 million, with approximately 60% concentrated in and around the mainland state capitals of Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Perth, and Adelaide. The nation's capital city is Canberra, in the Australian Capital Territory.

A prosperous developed country, Australia is the world's thirteenth largest economy. Australia ranks highly in many international comparisons of national performance such as human development, quality of life, health care, life expectancy, public education, economic freedom, and the protection of civil liberties and political rights. Australia is a member of the United Nations, G20, Commonwealth of Nations, ANZUS, OECD, APEC, Pacific Islands Forum, and the World Trade Organization.

ARRIVAL, DEPARTURE, AND VISAS

This year's Annual Meeting is in Australia.

Please check with your Embassy to determine if you need a Travel Visa for Australia. Please make sure to apply for your Travel Visa to avoid delays. If you need assistance obtaining your Travel Visa, such as a letter to confirm travel dates, please let us know what we can do to help.

Flights can book up quickly! Please check availability as soon as possible!

For those attending the Pre-Conference Tour and the Annual Meeting.

Participants attending the Pre-conference tour will need to arrive into Canberra by Tuesday, 29 November and will leave from Melbourne Airport (MLB) to Brisbane Airport (BNE) or directly to the Sunshine Coast Airport (MCY), Queensland either Saturday afternoon, 3 December or Sunday, 4 December, dependent on your need to attend meetings on Sunday. All Executive and Technical Committee Members attending the Pre-conference tour will need to leave from Melbourne on Saturday, 3 December to the Sunshine Coast to be able to attend the Technical and Executive Committee Meetings scheduled for Sunday, 4 December. If traveling from Melbourne to Brisbane, participants will need to take an airport shuttle bus from the Brisbane Airport to the venue on the Sunshine Coast, which is 1.5 to 2 hours drive north of the city. Shuttles depart the Brisbane Airport every half hour and the cost will be approximately \$40 AUD (see below). Get off the shuttle at the Mantra in Mooloolaba. Alternatively, flights are available directly to the Sunshine Coast and taxis (<http://www.sunshinecoast-australia.com/sunshine-coast-taxis.html>) or shuttles (<http://www.sunair.com.au/sunshine-coast-airport.html>) are available. For those not attending the Executive or Technical Committee Meetings, it is advised that you arrive at the Sunshine Coast destination before 4:00 PM on Sunday, 4 December in order to make Registration and the Welcome Dinner that night (see itinerary).

Please note that the cost of travel between the pre-conference tour venue and the Sunshine Coast is not covered by the registration fee. Furthermore the hotel for Saturday night, 3 December is not covered by the registration cost. (Camcore will assume that you need rooms for the all nights that you are in Australia and will handle booking all rooms once flight information has been received (arrival and departure dates, time, Airlines and Flight Numbers.)

For those only attending the Annual Meeting and Field Trips – 4-10 December

All Executive and Technical Committee Members will need to arrive into Australia on Saturday, 3 December and then make their way to the Mantra Hotel in the town of Mooloolaba on the Sunshine Coast. Delegates will need to take an airport shuttle bus from the Brisbane Airport to the venue on the Sunshine Coast, which is 1.5 to 2 hours drive north of the city. Shuttles depart the Brisbane airport every half hour and the cost will be approximately \$40 AUD. Get off the shuttle at the Mantra in Mooloolaba. Alternatively, domestic flights are available directly to the Sunshine Coast and taxis (<http://www.sunshinecoast-australia.com/sunshine-coast-taxis.html>) or shuttles (<http://www.sunair.com.au/sunshine-coast-airport.html>) are available. The Executive and Technical Meetings begin on Sunday, 4 December.

Even though those not on either of these Committees could arrive at the hotel on Sunday, 4 December, we kindly ask that all you try to book your international flights to arrive on the Sunshine Coast no later than Saturday, 3 December to rest up and minimize jet lag.

Time of Departures of Airport Shuttles from the Brisbane Airport to the Sunshine Coast

Every half hour depending on the company.

- <http://www.sunair.com.au/brisbane-airport.html>
- <http://www.airshuttle.com.au/>

REGISTRATION COSTS

Registration costs for the 2011 Camcore Annual Meeting are:

Camcore Pre-conference Tour	\$1,800 USD
Camcore Member Participant/Attendee:	\$2,200 USD
Camcore Member Spouse:	\$350 USD

Registration covers all events and meeting sessions as well as most meals and hotel accommodations.

CANCELLATION FEE

There will be a cancellation fee if you cancel your attendance less than 45-days prior to the meeting. *The charges become progressively more severe closer to the meeting date.* This is the hotels billing policy.

BILLING

You will receive an Electronic Invoice for Registration Fees by June 31. **All invoices must be paid by August 1.**

If you need to have a hard copy in addition to the soft copy, please contact Robert McGee to expedite delivery. Also attached are the directions for sending a wire transfer.

WEATHER

For the Preconference Tour around Canberra:

The temperature in Canberra varies considerably from summer to winter. In December, January, and February the weather is typically warm and dry. Temperatures can reach 30° C (86° F) with continuous sunshine.

For the Annual Meeting and Field Trips in Queensland:

The Sunshine Coast has one of the highest sunshine readings in the world, averaging seven hours a day. The variation between summer and winter is much less than you experience in Europe, North America, and northern Asia. Ocean temperatures range from 26° C in summer to 19° C in winter (79° to 66° F). Summer average temperatures between December and February range from a minimum 17° C to 28° C maximum (63° to 82° degrees F). Though there are warmer days the coastal areas enjoy sea breezes.

ATTIRE

The Camcore Annual Meeting will be mostly informal with casual dress and field clothes, but sports coats and ties will be in order at the Dinner on Thursday. You may want a light jacket for evenings.

MEALS

Meals are provided according to the plan outlined below. Breakfast and lunch at the hotel includes all drinks: tea, sodas, and/or water. The formal dinner is to be held on Friday, 9 December at the Fourth Floor, a restaurant near the Mantra Hotel in Mooloolaba. Many restaurants and cafés are located near the hotel for any meals that are not included in the registration costs.

Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Date	11/28	11/29	11/30	12/1	12/2	12/3	12/4
Breakfast	*	*	✓	✓	✓	✓	*
Lunch	*	*	✓	✓	✓	*	*
Dinner	*	*	✓	✓	✓	*	✓✓
Hotel	*	✓	✓	✓	✓	*	✓✓
Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Date	12/5	12/6	12/7	12/8	12/9	12/10	12/11
Breakfast	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓	*
Lunch	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓	*	*
Dinner	*	✓✓	✓✓	*	✓✓	*	*
Hotel	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓	*	*
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* **Breakfast/ Lunch/ Dinner on Own:** You are free to choose your dining experience. These meals are not included in the Registration Fee.

** **Hotel Accommodations:** are not included with the Registration Fee, approximately US \$200.00 per night.

✓ **Included in Pre-Conference Registration**

✓✓ **Included in Annual Meeting Registration**

HOTEL CONTACT INFORMATION:

RYDGES LAKESIDE CANBERRA HOTEL

www.rydges.com/hotel/RACANB/Rydges-Lakeside-Canberra.htm

DICKSON QUALITY INN CANBERRA

www.qualityinn.com/hotel-canberra-australia-AU499

QUEST APARTMENT WAGGA-WAGGGA

www.questapartments.com.au/Accommodation/48/Australia/NSW_Regional/Quest_Wagga_Wagga/Welcome.aspx

WINE VILLAGE MOTOR INN

www.winevillagemotorinn.com.au/

HOLIDAY INN MELBOURNE AIRPORT

www.melbourneairport.com.au/Flight-Passenger-Info/Aiport-Facilities/Airport-hotels/Holiday-Inn-Melbourne-Airport.html

HOTEL MANTRA

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www.mantramooloolababeach.com.au/

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<p>SATURDAY 26 NOVEMBER</p>	Camcore Team Departs US
<p>MONDAY 28 NOVEMBER</p>	<p align="center">Canberra Early arrival of the Camcore Team</p>
<p>DAY -7</p>	<p>Hotel: Rydges Lakeside Canberra Hotel – On your Own</p>
<p>TUESDAY 29 NOVEMBER</p>	<p align="center">Canberra Meeting: Dvorak, Burdon, Young, CSIRO</p>
<p>DAY -6</p>	<p>Southerton</p>
	<p>Hotel: Dickson Quality Inn Canberra – Included in Pre-Tour Registration www.qualityinn.com/hotel-canberra-australia-AU499</p>
<p>WEDNESDAY 30 NOVEMBER</p>	<p align="center">Canberra Breakfast – Hotel</p>
<p>DAY -5</p>	<p>Pre-meeting Field Tour Southern Australia Bush</p> <p>Plant Industry CSIRO Discovery Centre at Black Mountain</p> <p>Summary of Camcore Dvorak</p> <p>Summary of CSIRO Genomics/Phenomics Capability in Forestry Southerton</p> <p>10:00 AM Board Bus Travel to Australian Tree Seed Centre Seed Orchard Complex</p> <p>Lunch – Location?</p> <p>Afternoon Break/Tea</p> <p>Dinner – Magpie</p>
	<p>Hotel: Quest Apartment Wagga-Wagga – Included in Pre-Tour Registration www.questapartments.com.au/Accommodation/48/Australia/NSW_Regional/Quest_Wagga_Wagga/Welcome.aspx</p>

<p>THURSDAY 1 DECEMBER DAY -4</p>	<p align="center"><u>Rutherglen/ Corowa</u> Breakfast – Hotel</p> <p>Pre-meeting Field Tour Southern Australia Bush</p> <p>Rutherglen or Corowa Surrounds</p> <p>ATSC Seed Orchards and Field Trials (E. dunnii CSO, E. cladocalyx SSO, E. sideroxylon CSO, Corymbia CSO)</p> <p>Lunch – Location?</p> <p>Natural E. camaldulensis/Murray River Forest Visit Inland Mountain Forests</p> <p>Afternoon Break/Tea</p> <p>Dinner – Twisted Sister</p> <p>Overnight in Rutherglen</p> <hr/> <p align="center">Hotel: Wine Village Motor Inn – Included in Pre-Tour Registration www.winevillagemotorinn.com.au</p>
<p>FRIDAY 2 DECEMBER DAY -3</p>	<p align="center"><u>Rutherglen/ Corowa</u> Breakfast – Hotel</p> <p>Pre-meeting Field Tour Southern Australia Bush</p> <p>Corowa to Melbourne</p> <p>Lunch – Winery</p> <p>Natural Ash or Shining Gum (Euc. Nitens) Forests north of Melbourne</p> <p>Afternoon Break/Tea</p> <p>Dinner – TBD</p> <p>Overnight near Melbourne Airport</p> <hr/> <p align="center">Hotel: Holiday Inn Melbourne Airport – Included in Pre-Tour Registration www.melbourneairport.com.au/Flight-Passenger-Info/Aiport-Facilities/Airport-hotels/Holiday-Inn-Melbourne-Airport.html</p>

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<p>SATURDAY 3 DECEMBER DAY -2</p>	<p align="center"><u>Melbourne</u> Breakfast – Hotel</p> <p>Pre-meeting Field Tour Southern Australia Gapare</p> <p>Melbourne to Brisbane Domestic or Sunshine Coast Airport</p> <p>Lunch – On Your Own</p> <p>Travel to Sunshine Coast – On Your Own</p> <p>PM Arrival of Camcore Annual Meeting Participants</p> <p>Dinner – On Your Own</p> <hr/> <p align="center">Hotel: Mantra Hotel – On your Own</p>
<p>SUNDAY 4 DECEMBER DAY -1</p>	<p align="center"><u>Mantra Hotel, Mooloolaba Beach, Queensland</u> Breakfast – On Your Own</p> <p>AM Arrival of Camcore Annual Meeting Participants</p> <p>9:00 – 11:30 AM Technical Committee Meeting (12 People)</p> <p>Noon – 1:30 PM Lunch – On Your Own</p> <p>1:30 – 4:00 PM Executive Committee Meeting (5 People)</p> <p>Flora and Fauna (Australia Zoo) Option</p> <p>6:00 PM Welcome and Registration Drinks and Canapés</p> <p>Dinner – On Your Own if Desired</p> <hr/> <p align="center">Hotel: Mantra Hotel – Included in Registration www.mantramooloolababeach.com.au</p>
<p>MONDAY 5 DECEMBER DAY 0</p>	<p align="center"><u>Mooloolaba, Queensland</u> Breakfast – Hotel</p> <p>8:00 AM – Noon Australian Speakers – Brawner to Arrange Brawner</p> <p>Morning Break/ Tea</p> <p>Noon – 1:30 PM Lunch – Hotel</p> <p>1:30 – 5:00 PM Camcore Speakers – Dvorak to Arrange Dvorak</p> <p>Afternoon Break/ Tea</p> <p>Dinner – On Your Own</p> <hr/> <p align="center">Hotel: Mantra Hotel – Included in Registration www.mantramooloolababeach.com.au</p>

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<p>TUESDAY 6 DECEMBER DAY 1</p>	<p>7:00 – 7:30 AM <u>Mooloolaba, Queensland</u> Breakfast – Hotel</p> <p>8:00 AM Field tour Pinus and Araucaria</p> <p> Morning Break/ Tea</p> <p> Lunch – Location</p> <p> Afternoon Break/ Tea</p> <p> Dinner – Location TBD</p>
<p>Hotel: Mantra Hotel – Included in Registration www.mantramooloolababeach.com.au</p>	
<p>WEDNESDAY 7 DECEMBER DAY 2</p>	<p><u>Mooloolaba, Queensland</u> Breakfast – Hotel</p> <p> Field tour Eucalyptus and Acacia</p> <p> Morning Break/ Tea</p> <p> Lunch – Location</p> <p> Afternoon Break/ Tea</p> <p> Dinner – Location TBD</p>
<p>Hotel: Mantra Hotel – Included in Registration www.mantramooloolababeach.com.au</p>	
<p>THURSDAY 8 DECEMBER DAY 3</p>	<p><u>Mooloolaba, Queensland</u> Breakfast – Hotel</p> <p>8:00 AM – Noon Camcore Technical Meeting – Dvorak to Arrange Dvorak</p> <p> Morning Break/ Tea</p> <p>Noon – 1:30 PM Lunch – Hotel</p> <p>1:30 PM – 5:00 PM Camcore Technical Meeting – Dvorak to Arrange Dvorak</p> <p> Afternoon Break/ Tea</p> <p> Dinner – On Your Own</p>
<p>Hotel: Mantra Hotel – Included in Registration www.mantramooloolababeach.com.au</p>	

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FRIDAY 9 DECEMBER DAY 4	<p align="center"><u>Mooloolaba, Queensland</u> Breakfast – Hotel</p> <p>8:00 AM – Noon Technical Committee Meeting – Dvorak to Arrange 28 People Morning Break/ Tea</p> <p>Noon – 1:30 PM Lunch</p> <p>1:00 – 5:00 PM Business Meeting – Dvorak to Arrange 20 People Afternoon Break/ Tea</p> <p>6:00 PM Farewell Dinner at the “Fourth Floor” (near the hotel) With Beer and Wine only – Cocktails Cash Bar</p>
	<p align="center">Hotel: Mantra Hotel – Included in Registration www.mantramooloolababeach.com.au</p>
SATURDAY 10 DECEMBER DAY5	<p align="center"><u>Mooloolaba, Queensland</u> Breakfast – Hotel</p> <p>Travel to Brisbane or Sunshine Coast Airport (Transfers to Airport as Detailed above)</p> <p>Participants Depart</p>
	<p align="center">Hotel: Mantra Hotel – If Needed, On your Own www.mantramooloolababeach.com.au</p>