

DAILY PROGRAM 2025

Tuesday 6 May

Casual Meet & Greet: Weipa Bowls Club - 6:00pm - 7:30pm

Wednesday 7 May

Morning Bus Tour 7.00am-8.30am: Pick-Up 7:00am Albatross Resort + Weipa Motel, drop-off Storm Surge Shelter 8:30am

8:00am - Registration Opens - Storm Surge Shelter

Session	Time		
1	8:30am-10:30am	Chair: Jaime Gane - WCFS	
		Welcome to Country - Ernest Madua Jnr & Elders	
		Symposium Chair Welcome	
		Combined Mayors Welcome	
		Western Cape College, College Captains	
		Jai Christie - President, Western Cape Chamber of Commerce	
		Regional Business Showcase - Embley Contracting	
		Regional Business Showcase - Evolution Mining & Civil	
Regional Business Showcase - Weipa Camp Ground			
Morning Tea 10:30am-11:00am			
2	11:00am-12:30pm	Chair: Prof Allan Dale - JCU	
		Regional Development: A United Approach	
		Bryson Head MP (representing Minister Dale Last)	
		David Kempton MP - Member for Cook (representing Minister Andrew Powell & Minister Anne Leahy)	
		Prof Hurriyet Babacan - Chair, RDA Tropical North	
Prof Tom Calma			
Senator Susan McDonald			
Lunch 12:30pm - 1:30pm			
3	1:30pm - 3:00pm	Storm Surge Shelter	Kumrumja Centre
		Chair: Mark Olsen - TTNQ	Chair: Prof Tom Calma
		Western Cape Tourism & Cruise Ship Market	Community Economies & Opportunities
		Jason Jia - Mapoon Tourism Plan	Tom Calma Mapoon & Napranum Health Initiatives
		Johnny Murison - Jarramali Rock Art Tours	Jack Wilkie-Jans (Arts Development)
		Erina Kilmore - Australia Zoo	Dennis Fay - Salty Monkeys
		Dave Ferguson - Maritime Safety Queensland	Christine Rhazi - NASC (Napranum Farm)
James Coughlan - Shorex	Samantha Martin - Bush Tukka Woman		
Q&A		Q&A	
Afternoon Tea 3:00pm - 3:30pm			
4	3:30pm - 4:30pm	Storm Surge Shelter	Kumrumja Centre
		Chair: Jacinta Reddan - Advance Cairns	Chair: Cape York NRM
		Technology & Innovation	Protecting & Managing our Natural Assets
		J Easterby - Attentis	Kelli Leatham - Mapoon Land & Sea Rangers
		Chris Oughton - Good Water Energy	Angie Reid - NAILSMA
		Hewlett Packard - Data City	Thaine Mills - DPI (Bio-Security)
Simon Wensley - Metro Mining	Jim Turnour - JCU (Good Governance)		
Hon Scott Morrison - Space Centre Australia			
Q&A		Q&A	
Networking Function: Albatross Bay Resort, 6:00pm - 7.30pm			

Thursday 8 May

Welcome to Day 2

The locally owned and operated Weipa Capeaccino Crew will be serving outside of the Storm Surge Shelter between 7.30 and 9am for your convenience.



Session	Time	
5	9:00am-10:30pm	Storm Surge Shelter Chair: Guy Boggs - CRC Time
		Steve Dunstone - Rio Tinto
		Stefan Le Roux - Western Cape Communities Trust
		Kristy Gilvear - Gilvear Planning (WCCCA Vision)
		Michael Rowland - Western Cape Futures Association
		Q&A
Morning Tea 10:30am-11:00am		
6	11:00am-12:30am	Storm Surge Shelter Chair: Noel Prakash - NAB Indigenous Innovation
		Kumrumja Centre Chair: David Phelps - TNQ Drought Hub Land & Sea Futures
		Fred Gela - Communities Enterprise Queensland
		Joshua Stanek - QBFP (Recreational Fishing Opportunities)
		Catherine Fairlie - Arnhem Land Progress Aboriginal Corporation
		Shaun Fisher - Fisher Oysters
		Toni Ellis - Esparq Ventures
Penny Hamilton - Indigenous Fishing Licences		
Anahita Tonkin - Yalu Aboriginal Corporation		
Jim Turnour - Cape York NRM		
Hulton King - NQ Regional Forrestry Hub		
		Q&A
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Lunch		
12:30pm - 1:35pm	Community Session Hosted by the Western Cape Chamber of Commerce Open to public - WTA Council Chambers Business Support & Security Desley Ferrando - Department of Trade & Investment Emma Peters - Local Buy Jacquie - Department of Home Affairs	
	Combined Session - Storm Surge Shelter Chair: Jen McHugh & Prof Allan Dale - To infinity and beyond....	
7	1.35pm - 4:30pm	Prof Veena Sahajwalla - UNSW Centre for Sustainable Materials Research and Technology
		Christopher De Luis - Australian Space Agency
		James Palmer - Space Centre Australia
		Colin Anstie - RD Consulting (Partnering for Success)
		Afternoon Tea 3:00pm (15 minutes)
		Allan Morton - EnviroMETS
Simon Baldwin - SecondMuse		
		Q&A Panel Session
		Symposium Wrap-Up and Feedback: Prof Allan Dale