

AUSTRALIAN GRAIN STORAGE & PROTECTION CONFERENCE

NWPGP

National Working Party on Grain Protection



CONFERENCE PROGRAM



MEETING MARKET REQUIREMENTS

BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE NATIONAL WORKING PARTY ON GRAIN PROTECTION

4-5 JUNE 2025

SOFITEL MELBOURNE ON COLLINS VIC



ABOUT

NWPGP

The NWPGP 2025 Australian Grain Storage and Protection Conference is an open forum for the entire grains industry to review and discuss the latest market requirements relating to chemical regulations and developments in grain storage and protection.

Presenters will cover national and international regulation along with a range of topics including:

- Market requirements
- Insect infestation/entomology
- Pesticide residue requirements/violations
- Grain protectants
- Fumigants
- Physical control methods
- Application technology
- Extension
- Other key research outcomes

The **NWPGP** has been meeting annually for over 50 years. The annual conference, delegate list and industry representation continues to expand and evolve – constantly striving to meet industry's needs.

The 2025 Conference will take place face to face in Melbourne at a new venue, Sofitel Melbourne on Collins.




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ORGANISING BODIES

NWPGP

The **National Working Party on Grain Protection (NWPGP)** is the body responsible for providing management and leadership to industry in the areas of grain storage, chemical use, market requirements and chemical regulations.

The Conference is proudly supported and organised by **Grain Trade Australia (GTA)**. GTA supplies standardised grain trading standards, trade rules, grain contracts and training and development for the Australian grain industry to enable the efficient facilitation of trade across the grain supply chain.

DELEGATE PROFILE

A wide spectrum of the industry is represented at the conference with over 150 delegates annually in attendance in the past few years. The conference now enjoys significant support from all sectors of the industry from growers, storage operators, end users, traders, research, product and chemical manufacturers and service providers such as fumigators and transport operators. This conference is also widely supported by the government.

The program and topics are being expanded in line with this development and in direct response to survey feedback received from previous conference attendees.

The delegate survey from the previous conference highlighted:

- ▶ 100% of delegates would attend future events
- ▶ 97% agreed the conference was good value for money
- ▶ 100% agreed the program was relevant & appropriate
- ▶ 100% would recommend the conference to industry colleagues
- ▶ 79% of delegates heard about the conference from GTA or NWPGP
- ▶ 99% Found value in the networking event



INFORMATION

NWPGP

TICKETS

www.graintrade.org.au/nwpgp
(group discounts are available,
price is GST inclusive)



Early Bird registrations:

\$500 Full Conference - Early Bird

Full priced tickets (after 16 May 2025)

\$550 Full Conference Ticket

Virtual Recordings Pass \$250

LOCATION

Sofitel Melbourne on Collins

25 Collins Street,
Melbourne, VIC



Accommodation

Special accommodation rates are available
for conference delegates. Book early through
conference website.

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We thank our speakers, top industry experts with years of experience. They volunteer and commit their time to bring you the latest industry updates in Australian Grain Storage & Protection.



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**Program is subject to change without notice. All times are AEDT.*

DAY 1 – 4 June 2025

Time	Agenda Item	Presenter/Lead
8.30am	Registration and tea/coffee	
9.00am	Official Welcome	Pat O'Shannassy, CEO Grain Trade Australia
9.10am	2025 meeting formalities	Gerard McMullen, Chair NWPGP
9.15am	Update from APVMA on activities and AUS chemical review	Gaye Weller, APVMA
Latest Market Requirements		
9.40am	MRLs and key market access issues	Gerard McMullen, Chair NWPGP
10.00am	Quality management in storage – Falling Number project update	Dr Cassandra Walker, VIC DEECA
10.20am	Lightning Session – Gold Sponsor	Rod Martin, Polytex
10.30am	Morning tea break - Sponsored by Grains Australia	
Insect Status, Control & Research		
11.00am	Current status of insect resistance & Insect Resistance Management Strategy going forward	Manoj Nayak, QLD DPI
11.30am	Insect infestation trends	Floor Input
11.45am	Chemical Treatments through the supply chain	Floor Input including a Panel Session – Chris Warrick, Manoj Nayak, Abby Griffin
12.00pm	The role of grain protectants – is there a future & current research	
12.30pm	Co-fumigations for the industry: reviving phosphine (PH ₃) for the future	Raj Jagadeesan, QLD DPI
12.50pm	Lightning Session – Gold Sponsor	Craig Warnes, Garrards
1.00pm	Lunch break – Sponsored by Grains Australia	
Sustainable Actions for Market Access		
2.00pm	Lightning Session – Gold Sponsor	David Marrs, Douglas Products
2.10pm	Growers' challenges to manage pests in-crop	Craig Farlow, Elders
2.40pm	Application methods of Diatomaceous Earth in silos	Alex Conway, GRDC Extension Team
2.55pm	Finance requirements of the storage sector	Michael Whitehead, ANZ
3.15pm	Lightning Session – Gold Sponsor	Matt Brownson, Ronin
3.25pm	Afternoon tea break – Sponsored by Grains Australia	

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3.55pm	Lightning Session – Gold Sponsor	Justin Tumambling, Syensqo
4.05pm	On-farm utilisation of sheds, bunkers, silo bags and pits – the benefits and risks	Ben White, GRDC Extension Team
4.30pm	National Residue Survey – results & update of activities domestically & internationally	James Deller/Jenna Garwood, National Residue Survey
5.00pm	Close of Day One	
5.15pm - 7pm	Social function – Sponsored by TriCal	

DAY 2 – 5 June 2025

Time	"Industry & On-Farm Activities"	Presenter/Lead
8.30am	Lightning Session – Gold Sponsor	Joel Ellis, Ellis & Sons
8.40am	The fit for on-farm storage in farming businesses and the supply chain	Quigley Family, Nevertire, NSW – Interview by Ben White, GRDC Extension Team
9.00am	On-farm Grain Storage Extension update and development learnings	Chris Warrick, GRDC Extension Team
9.20am	Insect Resistance Management Strategy & Phosphine Best Practice Management Booklet	Manoj Nayak, QLD DPI
9.40am	Pest prevention – adoption of Integrated Pest Management, above Practices and new techniques	Chris Warrick, Raj Jagadeesan, TBC
10.05am	Morning tea break – Sponsored by Grains Australia	
Storage Management & the Supply Chain		
10.35am	Challenges for entering the industry	Panel session - GTA Under 30s attendees (Kyla Davie, Briley Monahan, Nikki Flemming)
10:55am	Progress in research on establishing 'safe venting periods' for phosphine fumigation, label review, SafeWork Australia Workplace Exposure limits	Manoj Nayak, QLD DPI / Gordon Cumming, GRDC / Chris Warrick, GRDC Extension Team / Floor input & planning discussion
12.00pm	Lunch break – Sponsored by Grains Australia	
Storage Management & the Supply Chain (continued)		
1.00pm	Lightning Session – Gold Sponsor	Kade McConville, Draslovka
1.10pm	Reliance on methyl bromide as a fumigant	Paul Taylor, Dep. Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water
1.30pm	Update on fumigation at Export of Containers with methyl bromide as a Quarantine Pre-Shipment treatment	Ray Elson, DAFF
1.45pm	Grain Storage Assets and Management Standard, Code of Practice update	Tim Ross, Grain Trade Australia
2.05pm	Introducing electronic Commodity Vendor Declarations	Jay Holland, National Grower Register
2.25pm	Nitrogen and Urease Inhibitors – the regulatory and industry challenge	Jeff Kraak, Fertiliser Australia
2.40pm	Panel session – what does the above mean for our supply chain and exports	Panel session - TBA
3.00pm	Close	

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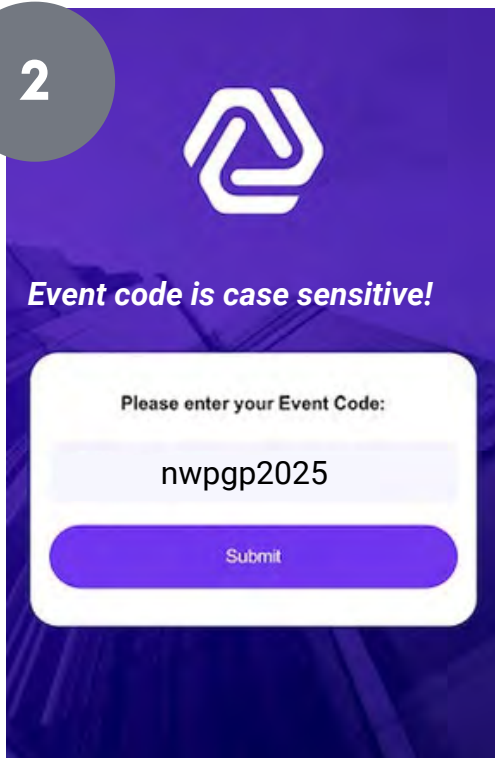


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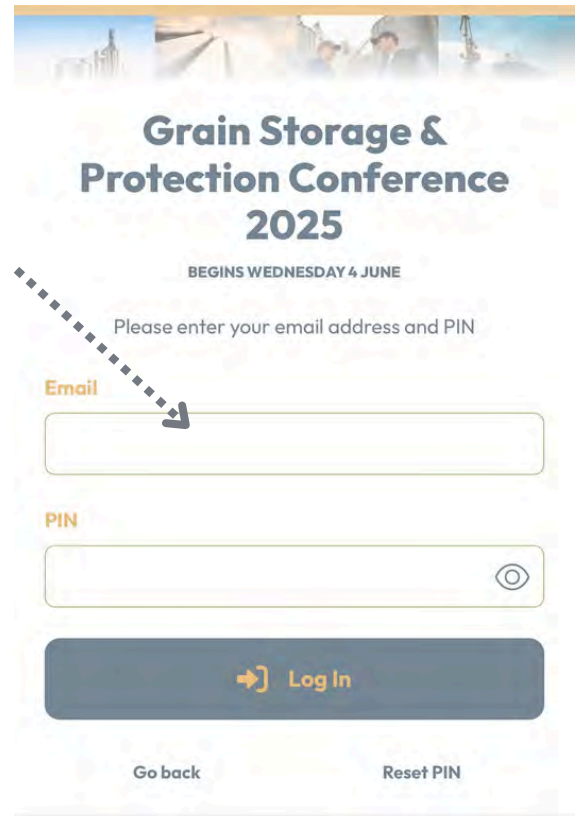
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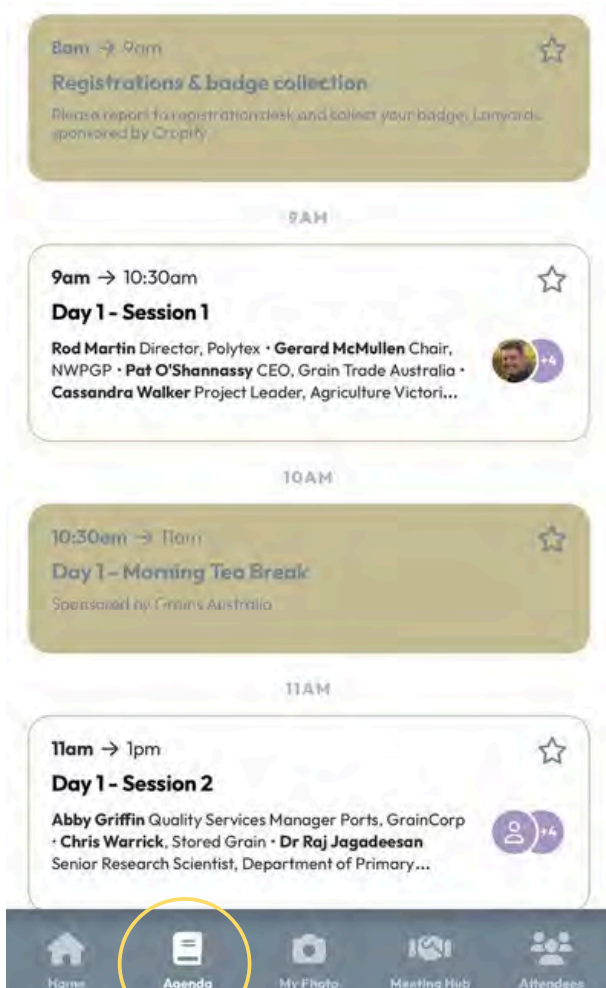


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- Conference Program/Agenda
- Access to presentation slides
- List of Attendees (all delegates and speakers)
- Conference & Sponsor information
- Meeting Hub to connect with other delegates





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