

Royal Astronomical Society of New Zealand (Inc)



2022 Conference
Whangarei, 3rd June – 5th June

Hosted by the
Whangarei Astronomical Society

RASNZ conferences are an opportunity for members, professional and amateur astronomers and interested members of the public to hear up to date presentations on a range of astronomical activities and topics. Conferences also provide a chance to renew acquaintances or establish new friendships with like-minded people.

Venue

The Conference will be held Barge Showgrounds, 474 Maunu Road, Whangarei.



Covid Requirements

Under the current Covid management regime this conference and the venue will require valid Vaccination Passports to be presented. There will be limits on numbers attending the conference and Dinner. It is likely that social distancing requirements will apply.

It is the Intention of the conference organisers that this conference will proceed, but a decision to continue or cancel will be made by the beginning of May 2022 especially if covid infections are not under control.

RASNZ 2022 CONFERENCE – Whangarei, June 3 - 5

Registration

An on-line registration form is available by following the link to the conference page from <https://www.rasnz.org.nz/groups-news-events/rasnz-conference> A downloadable registration form is also available at the same link. Final date for registration is the 27th of June 2021

Conference fees are as follows:

\$190 (RASNZ Members early bird registration by 30/4/2022)

\$220 (Non-Member and RASNZ member registration from 1/5/2022)

\$110 (Day Rate)

Dinner: \$65 per person

Workshop \$TBA

(Please note if paying by PayPal there is a 3.9% surcharge on top of your payment)

Paper submission

The organisers invite and encourage anyone interested in New Zealand astronomy to submit oral or poster papers for the conference programme. Please note that those presenting papers must also register for the conference. An on-line submission form is available by following the link to the conference page from <https://www.rasnz.org.nz/groups-news-events/submit-conference-paper> Final date for registering the presenting your paper is the 8th May 2022.

RASNZ Annual General Meeting

The 99th Annual General Meeting of the Royal Astronomical Society of NZ will be held at 3:30 pm Saturday 4 June 2022 at the Barge Showgrounds, 474 Manu Road, Whangarei.

Programme Timetable

Friday 3rd June

10:30am – 4:00pm RASNZ Council meeting

4:30 pm – 5:30 pm Affiliated Societies meeting

Walking Tour: Details to follow

Session 1: 7:00pm – 9:00pm Chairperson

- Welcome,
- Welcome by RASNZ
- Official Opening:

Fellows' Address: **Glen Rowe**

- *9:00pm – late: Refreshments and socializing*

Saturday 4 June

7:30 am: SWAPA meeting

7:30 am: SCC meeting at

Session 2: 9:00 am – 10:30am

10:30am – 11:00am Morning Tea

Session 3: 11:00 am – 12:45 pm

12:45 pm Conference Photo

1:00 pm – 2:00pm Lunch

Session 4: 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm

3:30 pm – 4:00 pm Afternoon Tea

4:00 pm – 5:00 pm RASNZ Annual General Meeting

4:00 pm – 5:00 pm Meeting of SWAPAs and Guest Speaker

7:30 pm Conference Dinner

Presentations and Awards will be announced during the evening.

- Murray Geddes Prize
- Astrophotography Awards
- After Dinner Speaker:

Sunday 5 June

Session 5: 9:00 am – 10:30 am

10:30 am – 11:00 am Morning Tea

Session 6: 11:00 am – 12:30 am

12:30 pm – 1:30 pm Lunch

Session 7: 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm

Late: RASNZ Council meeting

Monday 12th July

Workshop TBA

The organisers gratefully acknowledge the assistance of the following conference partner:



Airport information

Taxi

Kiwi Cabs Whangarei 09-4384444

A1 Cabs Whangarei 09-4383377.

Taxi fare from Whangarei Airport to CDB would be approx. \$25.00

Car Rental at Whangarei Airport

Avis Rental 09-4382929

Budget Car 09-4387292

Hertz 09-4389790

Airport Shuttle

Please note that under current covid level red that the shuttle must be pre booked and Whangarei Passenger Services can be contacted on 09-4386005 website <https://www.whangareibus.co.nz/>.

Accommodation options

Note that this is only a sample of options near the Conference venue and that inclusion does not imply an endorsement by the Conference committee. Other options, including private providers, can be found by searching the internet.

Hotels/Motels

The Grand Hotel <http://www.grandhotel.co.nz/>

Cheviot Park Motor Lodge <https://cheviotpark.co.nz/>

Discovery Settlers Hotel Whangarei <https://www.discoveryhotelswhangarei.co.nz/>

Distinction Hotels Whangarei <https://www.distinctionhotelswhangarei.co.nz/>

Bella Vista Motel Whangarei <https://www.bellavista.co.nz/our-motels/whangarei>

Backpackers

Whangarei Falls Holiday Park <https://www.whangareifalls.co.nz/>

Whangarei Central Holiday Park <https://www.whangareicentral.co.nz/>

RASNZ Conference Code of Conduct

Conference is dedicated to providing a harassment-free conference experience for everyone regardless of gender, gender identity and expression, sexual orientation, disability, physical appearance, body size, race, age or religion.

We do not tolerate harassment of conference participants in any form. Sexual language and imagery is not appropriate for any conference venue, including talks. Conference participants violating these rules may be sanctioned or expelled from the conference without a refund at the discretion of the conference organisers.

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