



2019 NATIONAL ALGWA CONFERENCE

15 - 17 May 2019

CONFERENCE PROGRAM



Blacktown
City Council

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH



**AUSTRALIAN LOCAL
GOVERNMENT WOMEN'S
ASSOCIATION**

Travel & Accommodation

West HQ- The Rooty Hill RSL & Novotel

Blacktown is located approximately 34 kilometres west of Sydney, NSW. Delegates can fly into Sydney Airport on most airlines. Blacktown is approximately 45 minutes' drive from Sydney Airport. There are a number of coach services and airport transfers available.

Car Rental:

There are numerous car hire options available should delegates wish to arrange for their own travel experience. Car rental companies with offices in Sydney include Budget, Hertz and Thrifty.

Sydney Trains:

Trains depart Sydney Airport regularly. You will need to change to the Western Line Trains, at Central Station which depart from platform 18. You will exit the train at Rooty Hill Station, which is only a short walk to Novotel Rooty Hill, or use the Taxi service.

Weather

You will be visiting Blacktown during autumn, where there is an average minimum temperature at night of 10° Celsius and an average maximum temperature of 21° Celsius. Please ensure you bring appropriate clothing for autumn condition.

The Conference Venue

Rooty Hill RSL has been selected as the conference venue for 2019. Rooty Hill RSL Club is one of the largest clubs in NSW with over 50,000 members. There have been several major developments over the past three decades. The club has now grown to a 9-hectare footprint that's home to a multitude of businesses, including One55, Sydney Gymnastic and Aquatic Centre, Novotel Sydney West HQ, Chur Burger, Made By The Hill and the soon-to-be-launched Western Sydney Performing Arts Centre.

Accommodation

The beautifully renovated accommodation at Novotel Sydney, West HQ are among the most spacious hotel rooms in Australia. To ensure you receive the conference rate of \$219.00 per night (including breakfast)- please advise staff that you are attending the ALGWA Conference at the time of booking.



Novotel Sydney, West HQ

33 Railway Street,
Rooty Hill NSW 2766
(02) 9832 3888

reservations@novotelwesthq.com.au

Program

Wednesday 15 May

2pm - 4 pm

Early Registrations

5.30 pm – 8.30 pm

Mayoral Reception
The Ponds Community Hub

Thursday 16 May

6.30 am – 7.30 am

Fitness Activity
Boomerang Room, The Rooty Hill RSL

8 am

Registrations Open
The Rooty Hill RSL
Exhibition Stalls Open

8.45 am

MC Welcome and Housekeeping
Jessica Rowe AM
Concept 33 Room

8:50 am

Welcome to Country
Julie Clark Jones
Traditional Custodian and Knowledge holder of fresh and saltwater clans of the Dharug

8.55 am

Mayor's Official Welcome
Councillor Stephen Bali MP
Mayor of Blacktown City

9.05 am

Welcome
Councillor Coral Ross
ALGWA National President

9.15 am – 10.15 am

Keynote Speaker
Libby Lyons
'100 Years of Women'
Director of Australia's Workplace Gender Equality Agency

10.15 am – 11.00 am

Kate Jenkins
Australian Sex Discrimination Commissioner

Program

11.00 am – 11.30 am

Morning Tea

11.40 am – 12.20 pm

Victoria Weekes

"Are we at a tipping point for gender equality?"
Australian Gender Equality Council

12.20 pm – 1.00 pm

Discussion Panel: 'Equality at Work- The Ongoing Challenge'

Polly Makim- Mosman Municipal Council
Soraya Mahomed- Mosman Municipal Council
Tessa Sullivan- City of Melbourne, Former Councillor

1 pm – 2 pm

Lunch

Menu 33 Bar & Grill

2.00 pm – 3.15 pm

Workshops

1. Eleanor Shakiba- Dealing with difficult people
2. Rosalie O'Neale- E-Safety: Managing Risk and Staying Safe Online

3.20 pm – 3.50 pm

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3.50 pm – 4.10 pm

Afternoon Tea

4.15 pm – 4.45 pm

Donna Wallace

'Sustainability in our City'
Manager Environment, Blacktown City Council

4.50 pm

Conference Day 2 Close

7 pm – 10 pm

Gala Evening

Theme: 1920's
The Rooty Hill RSL

Program

Friday 17 May

7.30 am – 9.00 am

Breakfast Function

Featherdale Wildlife Park, Doonside

9.30 am – 9.45 am

House Keeping

9.45 am

Glennys James

Assistant General Manager & Director Planning And Development, Blacktown City Council

10 am

Deborah Thomas

'Challenges & Opportunities: Careers, Motherhood and Dealing with Negative Publicity'
Woollahra Municipal Council, former Councillor
The Australian Women's Weekly, former Editor

11 am

Morning tea

11.30 am

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11.45 am – 12.30 pm

Elfa Moraitakis

Blacktown City Council 'Woman of the Year 2017'.
CEO SydWest Multicultural Services

12.30 pm – 1.00 pm

Dharma Drumming

Drumming with Purpose
Jessica Varela- Blacktown City Council



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Lunch
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2 pm

Sponsor

2.15 pm – 3.15 pm

Question & Answer
Open Mic Session

3.15 pm

2021 Conference Bids

3.30 pm

Closing Address
Councillor Coral Ross
ALGWA National President

4.00 pm

ALGWA AGM

