

2026 Nuffield Australia National Conference

PROGRAM

Wednesday 9 September 2026

SESSION	PRESENTER/S
SESSION 1	
CHAired BY: Kristy O'Brien, MC	
MC Welcome	Kristy O'Brien
Welcome to Country	Marlon Motlop, 2022 Scholar
Welcome to the Territory	Dan Richards, 2016 Scholar
Getting Back Up: Lessons for the Future of Agriculture in Zimbabwe and Other Emerging Markets.	Steve Pocock, 2024 Zimbabwe Scholar
Panel discussion Northern Frontiers: Trade, Export and Opportunity	Steve Pocock, Will Evans & Dan Richards Facilitated by Kristy O'Brien
Q&A	
MORNING TEA	
SESSION 2	
CHAired BY: TBC	
SCHOLAR PANEL – Tech that pays its way: technology and innovation driving efficiency	
Scholarship Presentation	Alys McKeough, 2023 Scholar
Scholarship Presentation	James Carter, 2025 Scholar
Scholarship Presentation	Cailan Byrnes, 2025 Scholar
Scholarship Presentation	Connor Wass, 2025 Scholar
Q&A	
Scholarship Presentation	Tarun Richards, 2025 Scholar
Scholarship Presentation	Trudi Oxley, 2025 Scholar
Q&A	
'Where are they now?'	Adam Coffey, 2016 Scholar
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SESSION 3	
CHAired BY: Matt Brann	
SCHOLAR PANEL – Value chains and market access: closing the gap to market	
Scholarship Presentation	Jacob Moon, 2024 Scholar
Scholarship Presentation	Lucy Dodd, 2025 Scholar
Scholarship Presentation	Georgia Beattie, 2021 Scholar
Scholarship Presentation	Thanh Troung, 2025 Scholar
Q&A	
AFTERNOON TEA	
SESSION 4	
CHAired BY: Kristy O'Brien, MC	
SCHOLAR PANEL – Sustainability, ESG and climate: where sustainability meets the bottom line	
Scholarship Presentation	Campbell Chesworth, 2025 Scholar
Scholarship Presentation	Maggie Jarrett, 2025 Scholar
Scholarship Presentation	Kari Moffat, 2025 Scholar
Scholarship Presentation	Iain MacLennan, 2025 Scholar
Q&A	
MC close of formalities	Kristy O'Brien
NETWORKING COCKTAIL EVENING	

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Nuffield Australia Annual General Meeting	
MC Welcome	Kristy O'Brien
SESSION 5	
CHAired BY: Fiona Slater, Acting Assistant Secretary of the Drought Policy Branch at the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	
Climate and resilience	Iain Field, 2023 Scholar
SCHOLAR PANEL – Resilience through drought, volatility and remote communities	
Scholarship Presentation	Jock Barnett, 2025 Scholar
Scholarship Presentation	Hamish Robertson, 2025 Scholar
Scholarship Presentation	David Woods, 2025 Scholar
Q&A	
MORNING TEA	
SESSION 6	
CHAired BY: Kristy O'Brien, MC	
SCHOLAR PANEL – Reading the resource: water, resource and environmental management	
Scholarship Presentation	Paul Evans, 2025 Scholar
Scholarship Presentation	Leoni Kojetin, 2024 Scholar
Scholarship Presentation	Kate Lumber, 2025 Scholar
Q&A	
SCHOLAR PANEL – Growing more from less: rethinking grazing systems	
Scholarship Presentation	Thomas Hooke, 2020 Scholar
Scholarship Presentation	Alice Jorgensen, 2025 Scholar
Scholarship Presentation	Tom Polkinghorne, 2025 Scholar
Q&A	
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SESSION 7	
CHAired BY: Matt Brann	
'Where are they now?' Business, mindset and high performance	Dan Richards, 2016 Scholar
SCHOLAR PANEL – Building stronger businesses and stronger voices	
Scholarship Presentation	Tyson Cattle, 2025 Scholar
Scholarship Presentation	Joe Druce, 2025 Scholar
Q&A	
AFTERNOON TEA	
SESSION 8	
CHAired BY: Kristy O'Brien, MC	
SCHOLAR PANEL – UN International Year of the Woman Farmer	
Scholarship Presentation	Claire Catford, 2025 Scholar
Scholarship Presentation	Krystal Caton, 2025 Scholar
Scholarship Presentation	Nikki Gilder, 2025 Scholar
Q&A	
Nuffield International update	Mike Brady, 2004 Scholar, Nuffield International Chair
Conference wrap up Thank yous and announcement of the 2027 conference	
CLOSE OF CONFERENCE	
Casual function at Mindil Beach Optional, at guests' own cost	