



# ACKMA CONFERENCE Wellington Caves

### **1-5 SEPTEMBER 2025**

Join us at Wellington Caves for the 2025 ACKMA Conference and Guide School. We are proud to be partnering with Savannah Guides to offer the amazing opportunity to become an accredited Eco Guide. Special Guests SAVANNAH GUIDES



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**Itinerary:** 

**Monday & Tuesday** - Guide School hosted by Savannah Guides. Guides with 12 months experience will be able to qualify as EcoGuides at the workshop as we'll run through the EcoGuide workbook as well as some storytelling best practice tips. There is more detail on EcoGuide here: <u>https://savannah-guides.com.au/tour-guide-training/ecoguide-certification/</u>. There is a basic application and annual cost associated. This certifies guides as high standard to a national benchmark that is used at numerous ACKMA Guide sites as well as the broader tourism industry.

Wednesday - Explore the Region (Bus trip to Dubbo\* or explore on your own at your own pace)

Thursday & Friday - Conference, presentations and on site activities

### Accommodation Options:

Cave Suites: 1 King Bed, 2 singles - \$160 per night\* Golf View Suites (Single): 1 king bed - \$160 per night\* Golf View Suites (Family): 1 king bed, 1 double bed - \$160 per night\* Golf View (Accessible): 1 king bed, 1 triage bunk - \$160 per night\* Park Cabins: 1 double bed, 1 set "shorty" bunks - \$115 per night Powered Sites - \$47 per night\* Unpowered camp sites - \$30 per night \* Concession rates available

### To book accommodation please contact Wellington Caves on (02) 6840 6481

### Meals included in Registration:

Sunday - Welcome Dinner at the Caves Wednesday - Dinner at a local Wellington Venue Friday - BBQ Dinner at the Caves Lunch and morning tea on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday We will aim to cater to most dietary requirements. All other meals BYO (Please be aware that meal costs will not be refunded from your registration if you choose not to attend the meal sessions)

\* Dubbo trip includes travelling by charted bus, entry into Taronga Western Plains Zoo, The Royal Flying Doctors Visitor Experience and an "Escape Tour" at Old Dubbo Gaol.

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Full Event including Eco Guide Certification - \$650 (Monday to Friday)

### Inclusions:

· Sunday night welcome dinner

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· Monday – Tuesday: Savannah Guides Eco Guide Training and Accreditation/Certification (includes certification costs and first year of membership)

• Wednesday: Bus tour of Dubbo Region, includes coach travel, entry to Royal Flying Doctors Experience Centre, Escapes Tour at Old Dubbo Gaol, bus tour through Taronga Western Plains Zoo and lunch

- · Wednesday night: dinner in Wellington and transport via bus to and from venue
- · Thursday Friday: Conference and on site activities
- · Friday night farewell dinner
- · Morning tea and lunch provided Monday, Tuesday, Thursday Friday

### **Exclusions**:

· All breakfasts

· Dinner on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday (cooking facilities available on site in camp kitchen and BBQ's located within the Holiday Park)

Accommodation

### Full Event Eco Guide attendance only (no certification) - \$490 (Monday to Friday)

### Inclusions:

· Sunday night welcome dinner

· Monday – Tuesday: Savannah Guides Eco Guide Training attendance only (no certification provided)

• Wednesday: Bus tour of Dubbo Region, includes coach travel, entry to Royal Flying Doctors Experience Centre, Escapes Tour at Old Dubbo Gaol, bus tour through Taronga Western Plains Zoo and lunch

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• Dinner on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday (cooking facilities available on site in camp kitchen and BBQ's located within the Holiday Park)

Accommodation

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Full Event Eco Guide current financial members - \$410 (Monday to Friday)

#### Inclusions:

· Sunday night welcome dinner

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• Monday – Tuesday: Savannah Guides Eco Guide Training attendance as a refresher for current financial members

• Wednesday: Bus tour of Dubbo Region, includes coach travel, entry to Royal Flying Doctors Experience Centre, Escapes Tour at Old Dubbo Gaol, bus tour through Taronga Western Plains Zoo and lunch

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- · Friday night farewell dinner
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### **Exclusions:**

· All breakfasts

• Dinner on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday (cooking facilities available on site in camp kitchen and BBQ's located within the Holiday Park)

Accommodation

### Guide School Eco Guide Certification only - \$380 (Monday to Tuesday)

#### Inclusions:

· Sunday night welcome dinner

· Monday – Tuesday: Savannah Guides Eco Guide Training and Accreditation/Certification (includes certification costs and first year of membership)

· Morning tea and lunch provided Monday and Tuesday

### **Exclusions**:

· All breakfasts

· Dinner on Monday, Tuesday (cooking facilities available on site in camp kitchen and BBQ's located within the Holiday Park)

· Accommodation

### **1-5 SEPTEMBER 2025**

ACKMA Conference only - \$185 (Thursday to Friday)

### Inclusions:

- · Wednesday night: dinner in Wellington and transport via bus to and from venue
- · Thursday Friday: Conference and on site activities

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· Friday night farewell dinner

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· Morning tea and lunch provided Thursday and Friday

#### **Exclusions**:

· All breakfasts

· Dinner on Thursday night (cooking facilities available on site in camp kitchen and bbq's located within the Holiday Park)

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### Wednesday Dubbo Region Bus Tour (optional add on when not registering for Full Event) - \$95

Includes coach travel, entry to Royal Flying Doctors Experience Centre, Escapes Tour at Old Dubbo Gaol, bus tour through Taronga Western Plains Zoo and lunch

### ACKMA Conference Shirt - \$25

To register head to

https://www.123tix.com.au/events/47957/ackma-conference-and-guide-school and select your required options. If you would like to pay via invoice please email caves@dubbo.nsw.gov.au and we will book you in and send through an invoice for payment