

## EDAP CONFERENCE 2016 DUBBO WRAPUP

The highlights of the recent EDAP Regional Conference held in Dubbo on 27 - 29 April 2016 include:

- 150 Delegates making it one of the most successful EDAP Conferences to date with representatives from over 28 Councils, 4 Private Certifying Companies as well as State Government Agencies.
- 34 delegates to the NSW Food Authority/Local Government Food Group meeting on Wednesday 29 April at Dubbo which hosted by EDAP.
- A well attended welcoming function hosted by Central West Certifiers at the Old Dubbo Gaol was a great start.
- The conference was officially opened on the Thursday morning by the Mayor of Dubbo City Council Cr Dickerson who also addressed delegates on the success of Evocities.
- EDAP and sponsors provided a great range of delegate gifts including a phone charger, bottle opener and a USB.
- A large selection of trade exhibitors were on hand with the sponsors participation contributing to the success of the conference.
- An excellent program and array of quality speakers including concurrent sessions.
- The Barista coffee station in the foyer was very well supported and a big hit with delegates.
- EDAP AGM was well attended and a new committee elected for the 2016/2017 year. The nomination of Young was accepted for the 2017 as a joint Conference with the Riverina Group.
- An outstanding conference dinner attended by 110 delegates at the beautiful Lazy River Winery. Great food and refreshments and an inspirational talk from detectives on the truth behind the Malcolm Naden case. The night was complemented by local musician Paul McMillan who provided background music to the evening.
- Friday had a full program of interesting site visits starting off with a BBQ breakfast at the Zoo. The recovery station provided by Procert proved popular.
- The behind the scenes visit to Western Plains Zoo was a highlight particularly the new Elephant facilities. Other inspections included the Regional Theatre Complex and the Old RAAF Base site.

- A big thank you to the conference sponsors;
  - *Sims Metal Management*
  - *JR Richards & Sons*
  - *NSW Health Western Local Health District*
  - *Dubbo City Council*
  - *Procert*
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  - *Environmental Investigations*
  - *Association of Accredited Certifiers*
  - *Australian Institute of Building Surveyors*
  - *Parkes Shire Council*
- The Committee appreciates the very positive feedback from delegates during and after the Conference.
- Special thanks to Procert and Dubbo City Council for their exceptional contribution and attention to detail.

