






Preliminary Programme as at 2 June 2023

WEDNESDAY 7 JUNE 2023 – KICK THE DIRT DAY

8.00am	Coaches depart Queenstown (QT Hotel) Rydges Hotel Please meet at the hotel entrance at 7.45am for coach loading	
9.15am	Arrive Cromwell (45 South) to collect attendees	
9.30am	Coaches depart to properties	
9.50am	Arrive at property	Coach 1 – Suncrest Orchard with Matt Whiting Self Drive Group 1 – Suncrest Orchard Coach 2 – Forest Lodge Orchard with Clive Kaiser Self Drive Group 2 – Forest Lodge Orchard
11.20am	Depart property	
11.40am – 1.20pm	LUNCH AND EXHIBITION <i>Sponsored by:</i>	
1.20pm	Coaches depart to properties	Coach 1 – Forest Lodge Orchard with Clive Kaiser Self Drive Group 1 – Forest Lodge Orchard Coach 2 – Suncrest Orchard with Matt Whiting Self Drive Group 2 – Suncrest Orchard
1.45pm	Arrive at property	
3.15pm	Coaches return to 45 South and then depart to (QT Hotel) Rydges Hotel	
4.30pm	Coaches arrive at Hotel	
5.30pm – 7.00pm	WELCOME DRINKS AND CANAPES <i>Industry Exhibition, Level 5, QT Queenstown Rydges Queenstown</i> <i>Sponsored by:</i>	

THURSDAY 8 JUNE 2023 – CONFERENCE DAY

8.00am	REGISTRATION OPENS	
8.30am – 10.20am	Conference Opening and Session 1 <i>Coronet/Remarkables Room, Level 4, QT Queenstown Rydges Queenstown</i>	
8.30am – 8.35am	Welcome Te Radar <i>MC Sponsored by:</i>	
8.35am – 9.35am	Seasonal variability in cold hardiness and a new frost-fighting tool Matt Whiting, Washington State University	
9.35am – 10.20am	She'll be right? YEAH RIGHT! Changing the conversation around health, safety and wellbeing and going home alive at the end of every single day Harriet Bremner	

10.20am – 10.50am	MORNING TEA AND INDUSTRY EXHIBITION <i>Industry Exhibition, Level 5, QT Queenstown Rydges Queenstown</i> Sponsored by:	
10.50am – 11.50am	Session 2 <i>Coronet/Remarkables Room, Level 4, QT Queenstown Rydges Queenstown</i>	
10.50am – 11.50am	Research for resilience: what is on the horizon? Livia Esterhazy, Brent Clothier, Dave Bellamy Speakers Sponsored by:	
11.50am – 12.50pm	LUNCH AND INDUSTRY EXHIBITION <i>Industry Exhibition, Level 5, QT Queenstown Rydges Queenstown</i> Sponsored by:	
12.50pm – 2.10pm	Session 3 <i>Coronet/Remarkables Room, Level 4, QT Queenstown Rydges Queenstown</i>	
12.50pm – 1.10pm	Experience and the recovery activity in Hawke's Bay Jerf van Beek	
1.10pm – 1.30pm	The complete electrification of everything Mike Casey, Forest Lodge	
1.30pm – 2.10pm	Panel – Research and Development Open Forum Panellists: Matt Whiting, Sally Anderson, Livia Esterhazy, Brent Clothier, Dave Bellamy and Clive Kaiser	
2.10pm – 2.40pm	Afternoon Tea and Industry Exhibition <i>Industry Exhibition, Level 5, QT Rydges Queenstown</i> Sponsored by:	
2.40pm – 4.30pm	Session 4 and Conference Close <i>Coronet/Remarkables Room, Level 4, QT Queenstown Rydges Queenstown</i>	
2.40pm – 2.55pm	Summerfruit New Zealand Board Update Craig Hall	
2.55pm – 3.40pm	What's new at WSU: An update on sweet cherry research Matt Whiting, Washington State University	
3.40pm – 4.25pm	Lessons learnt from surviving a volcanic eruption and consistently stepping outside your comfort zone to achieve the extraordinary William Pike	
4.30pm	CONFERENCE CLOSES	
7.00pm – 11.00pm	CONFERENCE DINNER <i>Venue: Coronet and Remarkables Rooms, Level 4, QT Queenstown Rydges Queenstown</i>	
7.00pm	Pre-dinner Drinks Sponsored by:	
7.30pm	Conference and Awards Dinner	
	<i>Conference Dinner Drinks Sponsored by:</i>	
	<i>Dinner Speaker Sponsored by:</i>	