

EDITORIAL

Edition 2 of the Geography Bulletin for 2023 was prepared to support the Stage 6 Geography Conference – Plan Early, Plan Well, Plan Together – for the implementation of the new NESA Geography 11–12 Syllabus released in 2022.

The contents of Bulletin 2 are separated into two main sections:

1. A Conference Journal

- * A commentary on key features of the new syllabus.
- * A brief analysis for each Content Focus Area based on the NESA syllabus document and support materials.
- * Notes on each presentation.
- * Focus questions with space to record ideas and resources.

2. Republished Articles

Media reports relevant to some of the content areas. These reports exemplify the range of contemporary material available to support the teaching of the new syllabus.

During the conference GTA Councillors took notes from each presentation. A summary of these notes is provided in this digital edition.

APPRECIATION

As the conference convenor I want to thank the following organisations and people for their expertise and support.



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GUEST SPEAKERS

Thursday: Richard Kingsford – UNSW; Simon Kuestenmacher – The Demographics Group; Catherine Kerr – Office of Energy & Climate Change, NSW Treasury; Karen O’Connor & Rania Poullos – Minderoo Foundation.

Friday: Alex Webb – Marine Stewardship Council Australia; Karen Davids – Circular Economy Consultant, MRA Consulting Group; Alison Jose – Sustainable Textile Supply Chain / Circular Centre Pty Ltd; Andrew Toovey – UNSW; Larissa Shashkof – Lend Lease; Professor Brett Sommerell – Royal Botanic Gardens, Sydney.

THE CONFERENCE SUPPORT TEAM

Fieldwork providers, spatial technology experts and GTA Councillors (past and present). Contour Education; EEC’s – Observatory Hill, Rumbalara, Field of Mars & Gibberagong; Sydney Olympic Park; Fieldwork Connections; AUSECO; Small World Journeys and NSW National Parks and Wildlife.

After eight years this will be my final edition as editor of the Geography Bulletin. Thank you to those who supported me on this journey, particularly those who provided articles and teaching resources for publication. It has been a wonderful journey but a very time consuming one and it is time for me to follow some new challenges. I will still contribute articles but it is time to turn the leadership to a new cohort of GTA NSW & ACT council members. A big thank you also to Jill Sillar at PTC NSW for her support, patience and wonderful desktop publishing.

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