



BOATING FOR THE FUTURE

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Forums Extend Value of Marine15

The Marine15 international conference starts this Sunday 3 May on the Gold Coast and sparks a series of forums that extend the impact of event through until Wednesday.

First of the Safety 'extras' is a Cold Water Forum on Monday 4 May from 12.35 to 1.55pm. This will be a working lunch forum led by Dr Gordon Giesbrecht of the University of Manitoba, Canada, in partnership with safety organisations from New Zealand and Marine and Safety Tasmania.

A Waterways Management Forum is to be held on Tuesday 5 May from 2-5pm. The Gold Coast Waterways Authority is leading this event in partnership with the Maritime Management Centre (Transport for NSW). Major topics will be boat storage including mooring management.

A Data Connection Forum is to be held on Wednesday morning from 9am until 12.30pm. This event will involve an expert panel with representatives from the USA, Canada, NZ and Australia. The goal is to discuss data capture and analysis systems, and the value of boater surveys in helping to build a better understanding of the boating community across Australia.

These safety forums are open for general attendance with no additional costs. Space is limited however and those interested in attending should email maritime@transport.nsw.gov.au

All forums will take place at the marine15 conference venue of RACV Royal Pines on the Gold Coast.

For details on marine15 go to <http://marine15.com/>

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