

NC-IPC Annual Symposium 2017
March 22nd and 23rd
Koury Business Center
Elon University, Elon, N.C.

TIME	SPEAKER	TOPIC
Wednesday - March 22nd		
Morning Session		
<i>Moderated by: Johnny Randall</i>		
7:15 – 8:15	Registration, Vendor & Non-profit Set Up, Coffee/snack	
8:15 – 8:30	Melanie Doyle, NC IPC President	Welcome and Logistics Silent Auction Process, Wireless Internet, Facilities Sign-up for field trips
8:30 – 9:00	Steve Compton, Clemson University, Plant Industry Division	Update on SC Invasive Species Control, including Cogongrass Outreach and Eradication
9:00 – 9:25	Bob Gale, Ecologist and Public Lands Director, Mountain True	Cooperative Weed Management Areas
9:25 – 9:50	Break	
	Visit with Goats On-Site	Maria and Ryan Norris – Goat Green Farm (Sugar Grove, NC)
9:50 – 10:15	Lee Patrick, Invasive Plant Control	Success and Challenges of Stream Corridor Restoration

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10:15 – 10:40	Owen Carson, Equinox Environmental Consulting	TBD
10:40 – 11:05	Andrew Howell, Masters Student, NCSU (Scholarship Recipient)	Use of Technology in Aquatic Weed Management
11:05 – 11:35	Dan Stern, American Public Garden Association	Use of the Sentinel Plant Network for Early Detection of Invasive Pests.
11:35 – 11:45	Dr. Bridget Lassiter, Weed Specialist, North Carolina Department of Agriculture	Woolly Frogmouth: A new aquatic Invasive Species Found in North Carolina.
11:45 – 12:05	George Morris, River Works	Experiences and Reflections on Weed Control and Stream Restoration Projects
12:05 – 1:00	Lunch	
Afternoon Session (part 1)		
<i>Moderated by: Colleen Bockhahn</i>		
1:00 – 2:00	Dr. Randy Westbrooks, Federal IVS Prevention Specialist USDA APHIS/U.S. Geological Survey (1979-2012)	Keynote Address: Partnerships now, weeds won't wait!

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2:00 – 2:45	Russell Funderburke, Horticulture Specialist	Invasive Weed Control at the Highlands Biological Station
2:45 – 3:00	Visit with Goats On-Site	Maria and Ryan Norris – Goat Green Farm (Sugar Grove, NC)
3:00 – 3:15	Break	
Afternoon Session (part 2)		
<i>Moderated by: Pete Schubert</i>		
3:15 – 3:45	Annual Business meeting	
	Sharon Day	NC Green & Growin Update
	Dr. Tony Koop	Weed Evaluation Tool Development, NC-IPC Listserv
	Melanie Doyle	Announcement of Scholarship for 2017 Election of New Officers Upcoming Opportunities for outreach
	Bob Gale	Announcement
3:45 – 4:15	Industry Updates	Lee Patrick (Invasive Plant Control) Dr. David Spak (Bayer Crop Science) Darrell Russel (Dow Chemical) Lew Merchant (Helena) Chris White (Red River Specialties) Ryan Stanley (Foster Lake and Pond Management)
4:15 – 4:45	Industry Roundtable Discussion of Weed Control Methods	
4:45 – 5:00	Melanie Doyle	Closing Remarks Pesticide Credit Sign-Up, Silent Auction Wrap-Up
5:00 – 7:00	Social/Mixer ☺ - Koury Business Center - Elon University	

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Thursday March 23 rd		
Field Trips		
8:00 – 8:15	Meet @ Elon University for Field Trip Carpooling	
	Disperse maps and field supplies (water, snacks, gloves, etc.)	
8:15 – 12:00	Dr. Ken Bridle, Stewardship Director, Piedmont Land Conservancy	Field Trip A: Greensboro Bog Garden – presence of, and control of <i>Ficaria verna</i> and other invasive plants using volunteers (3 hours)
8:15 – 12:00	Rebecca Lowe, Vicki Boyce	Field Trip B: Control of Invasive Species Guilford Courthouse National Military Park Battleground (3 hours) **Note: this is a WORKING field trip. There will be one hour of instruction, and 2 hours of active weed eradication. Please wear close-toed shoes and appropriate clothing.
8:15 – 12:00	OPEN	Field Trip C: (Possibly Carolina Biologicals – still need to arrange)