

Northern Food and Fibre Study Tour

Come and join us for a great weekend exploring the Launceston region for a variety of food and fibre experiences. This tour is suitable for all members of HEIA, not just those who are teaching.

Saturday 19th May

8.30 Arrive at Evandale and meet others joining the tour outside the overnight accommodation venue, Van Diemens Cottage, 32 Logan Road, Evandale.

8.45 Depart for Launceston - some members have offered to make their vehicles available and drive us, there will be room for up to 15 people in the two cars.

9.15-10.15 Harvest Market – There have been many changes to this market in recent years and it's worth a wander through. We also will have an introduction to the market by an organiser.

10.15-10.45 Waverly Woollen Mills, an iconic Tasmanian company. We will visit the shop and have a talk by the manager about the product ranges, the importance of using wool as a quality natural fibre, source of their wool, the sale of wool off cuts, the recycle aspects of wool, and their collaboration with Spotted Quoll.

11.00-11.30 Ruche Fabrics – This is a small quality fabric store selling many natural fabrics, who work in collaboration with Tessuti in Melbourne. We will have a talk by the owner/manager and have time to look at their product range. Trish has kindly offered a 15% discount for any fabrics sold on the day.

12.00-12.30 Lenah Valley Game Meats – Just a short drive to the outskirts of the city and we arrive at Lenah Game Meats, an ethical producer of game. We will have a talk by the manager and have the opportunity to taste a wide range of products.

1.15-3.15 Moore's Hill on the West Tamar is the first 100% off the grid winery. The wine maker will give a talk and tour and we will have a light lunch of platters, and of course, a wine tasting!

4.00-5.00 Roberts Wool Centre, Main Rd, Western Junction – We will hear about the journey of wool from the shearing shed to the customer, different types of wool, careers in the wool industry, and possibly have samples of various clips of wool to take back to the classroom.

5.00-6.00 Free Time – For those staying in Evandale, you will have time to check into your accommodation and freshen up for dinner.

6.00pm Dinner - Clarendon Arms – This hotel has recently been taken over by Lydia Nettlefold, who is a stalwart in the hospitality world. Lydia has run the cooking school at the Red Feather Inn for many years. The pub is relaxed, warm and cosy, with many historic murals. Lydia will give a pre-dinner talk before we have a two course meal.

Sunday 20th May

Evandale Market is on quite early, so if you'd like a wander for a bargain and perhaps breakfast or morning tea this would be a perfect place to go! Otherwise Ingleside Bakery has great food and coffee.

10.00-11.50 Suburban bee keeping and making beeswax covers – We meet at the home of Jacqui Nicolson, 29 High St, Evandale. Jacqui is a recent convert to bee keeping. She will talk to us about her progress and will run a work shop on how to make covers using bees wax. We will all produce something to take home. (Note: no food provided!)

12.00-1.30 Tasmanian Gourmet Sauces – Talk by Tim or Julie Barbour, who are the directors of Tasmanian Gourmet sauces. This company produces multi-award winning sauces, relishes, jams, chutneys and mustards. We plan to have a light luncheon here. Recent MasterChef contestant Amy Luttrell will be with us and will speak about her new cook book.

1.30 Depart for home

Payment

Light Lunch, tasting and guided tour at Moores Hill Winery	\$30
Dinner (set 2 course) at Clarendon Arms	\$55
Bees wax wraps workshop	\$10
Lunch at Tasmanian Gourmet Sauces	<u>\$15</u>
	<u>\$110</u>

HEIA Tas will cover the cost of any gifts, thankyou cards, etc.

Accommodation

We are holding a booking for Van Diemens Cottage in Evandale, which can accommodate 7 people. It is a newly constructed, 4 bedroom cottage, about \$300 a night, 4 bedrooms – 7 beds, about \$ 45 per person. If you would like a spot in this cottage please RSVP to julie.mansfield@education.tas.gov.au and transfer money to HEIA to reserve your spot and **add extra \$45 to payment.**

Questions and RSVP 4th May (first Friday of 2nd term) to:

julie.mansfield@education.tas.gov.au or joanne.bracken@education.tas.gov.au

Please make payment before the event. Your RSVP is a commitment and is non-refundable.

Payment options

Cheque: Made payable to HEIA Tasmania and sent to PO Box 165 Launceston.

Bank deposit: My State BSB 807009, Account No 12162211, Account name HEIA Tas.

Please include your name surname in the reference field.

Pay pal: info @heiata.com.au. Please include your name in the reference field.