



GFS WORLD COUNCIL

11-21 JULY 2017

INFORMATION SHEET

If you intend to register to attend World Council in Perth you should read this Information sheet carefully.

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE ON 30 NOVEMBER 2016

Registration form: You can either apply online at the GFS Australia website

Go to www.gfsaustralia.org.au

Click on home, click on GFS World, click on GFS World Council Registration form

or complete the paper based form and return to gfsworld@bigpond.com

Cost: Total cost of Council is \$AUD1400. Deposit must be paid before registration is accepted. Final payment of \$AUD1000 due by 31 March 2017. For people who elect to stay outside Swanleigh the cost is \$AUD1130.

Approval from your Country leader: Your country leader has been sent a master copy of a letter which must accompany your registration. It states that you are an active member of GFS and eligible to attend World Council. Please request the signed letter from your Country leader. If you are applying on line it must be saved to pdf format and attached at the respective field. If you are sending a hard copy registration form, the form from your country leader should be attached to the return email.

If you are under 18 as well as requiring the approval of your country leader your parent/guardian is also required to sign the form and provide the details of the person who will be responsible for your care while you are at World Council.

We apologise that at the moment the online registration form requires that everyone signs the Under 18 para. I suggest those over 18 just fill in this part of the form as N/A including the signature field.

If you are applying online use your mouse for your signature.

No applications will be processed and you will not be registered unless all requirements are fulfilled.

Deposit: You are required to pay a deposit of \$AUD400 and again your registration will not be processed until the deposit is paid. You can pay in either of the following ways:

Online registrations: Will only accept \$400 deposit at this stage. You will be directed to PayPal where you can pay with a PayPal account or use your credit card.

Hardcopy registrations: The GFS World Account details are on the form and you can organise a bank transfer. Make sure that you describe your payment as **NAME WC2017**. It is important your name comes first as often banks truncate this information.

Refund policy:

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| 1 | Deposit paid only – Cancel by 31 March 2017 | Refund of deposit less \$AUD50 |
| 2 | Full payment made – Cancel before 30 April 2017 | Refund whole less \$AUD50 |
| 3 | Full payment made – Cancel before 30 May 2017 | Refund of 75% of full payment. |
| 4 | Full payment made – Cancel up to commencement
Of Council | Refund of 50% of full payment |

There will be opportunity to discuss other options in difficult circumstances, particularly in relation to visas.

Travel Insurance:

Everyone is expected to have travel insurance.

Medical Information:

Once your registration is processed you will be sent a Medical Information Sheet. This must be completed in full, placed in a sealed envelope with your name and country on the front (in large letters) and brought to Council. It will be kept sealed and in a secure place during Council. It will only be opened in an emergency and will be returned to you at the completion of council.

Travel Form:

Once your registration is processed you will be sent a Travel Form. This should be completed as soon as you have made your travel arrangements.

Other matters:

Accommodation at Swanleigh: There are no twin or double facilities. Males attending will be housed in a separate cottage. Accommodation is in a variety of cottages. You can look at Swanleigh on <http://www.swanleigh.org.au/>

The area with bunks will be used mainly for our youth members.

External accommodation: Some have elected to stay outside Swanleigh. The two suggested Holiday Parks are

Midlands Tourist Park – www.midlandtouristpark.com.au

Discovery Holiday Park Caversham – www.discoveryholidayparks.com.au

These are the only two places where we will supply transport to and from Swanleigh. If you elect to stay anywhere else you will be required to pay your own travel to and from Swanleigh.

Any queries should be directed to Val Gribble at gfsworld@bigpond.com