



2 Day Workshop with snake training expert John Mostyn

Saturday 22nd & Sunday 23rd October

Venue: Armidale Traffic Education Centre

18 Mann Street, Armidale NSW 2350

Numbers are limited - Bookings essential!



John has over 12 years experience in the zoological industry specialising in venomous snakes. John was the head of the venom department at the Australian Reptile Park (Gosford) from 2011-2015. He provided the care of venomous snakes including: Tigersnakes, Cobras and Taipans, Eastern Browns and Death Adders, King Brown and Rattlesnakes, Eyelash Vipers and others as well as being in charge of the venom extraction and milking venomous snakes for BioCSL for the production of Antivenoms.



John also worked at Sydney Wildlife World from 2006 -2011 and was Supervisor of the Reptile Department in that time. John also has been keeping venomous snakes privately for over 20yrs, and has been rescuing venomous snakes for over 18 years.



John developed and runs:

venomous snake handling courses, both for the beginner and advanced keepers .

catch and release courses for people wishing to obtain their catch and release license.

John has trained staff at Major Zoos and Wildlife Parks, as well as wildlife rescue groups and private individuals. John is a qualified Certificate IV work place trainer and assessor, Certificate III in Captive Animals, Certificate IV Vet Nursing. John is also a member of the MWEA (Mobile Wildlife Educators Association). *John is licensed by Department of Primary Industries, and is fully*

RSVP and enquiries

Snake handling, rescue, rehabilitation and release

insured.

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Earlybird: (received by 30/09/16)	Regular (received after 30/09/16)
NTWC members \$50	NTWC members \$80
Members from other wildlife groups \$70	Members from other wildlife groups \$90
Non-members \$150	Non-members \$170

Costs include light lunch, morning and afternoon tea.

Wildlife Group/Organisation	
(If a NTWC Member - please note your membership number)	
Address	
If a group, please list participants attending	
Your contact phone number:	
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Course Outline

Day 1

- Welcome and introductions
- Snake Identification
- Snake Behaviour
- First Aid for Snake Bite
- Venom and its effects on Humans
- Antivenin
- NSW NPWS requirements and legislation for Catch & Release Operators
- Safe Handling Techniques
- Hook and Bag techniques
- Tubing and restraint for veterinary procedures, sexing, etc
- Enclosure design and maintenance of elapids
- Then will go onto SAFE basic handling and hoop bag techniques with the following snakes
 - o Red Belly Blacks
 - Death Adders

Day 2

- Refresher on day 1 activities
- Safe handling and hoop bag techniques for
- Tiger snakes
- Eastern browns
- Then real scenarios like they would encounter on a real job.
- Then onto restraint.
- We would pick the best handlers to teach restraint techniques to as not every one will be capable of confident safe restraint of the majority of these species.

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