PROGRAM - 2025 VOLUNTEER LEADERS SEMINAR

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8:30am - 9:30am	Registration
9:30am - 9:45am	Welcome to Country & Opening Remarks
9:45am - 10:30am	Keynote Volunteer Management, a skilled profession Volunteer management is a highly skilled profession. But how do we identify and develop these skills? This keynote will explore the various skills and expertise required of volunteer managers from communication, to program management, to data collection.
10:30am - 11:30am	Panel Navigating change How do you lead volunteers? What is your leadership style? This panel will explore how volunteer leaders can support volunteers in managing change and how they can ensure their voices are heard as part of that change.
11:30am - 12:00pm	Morning tea break
12:00pm - 12:45pm	Panel Telling volunteer stories This panel session will explore how to tell the story of your volunteer program and your volunteers, how to shine a light on the people and projects for social media, media and reports.
12:45pm - 1:15pm	2025 Volunteer Manager of the Year Awards
1:15pm - 1:45pm	Lunch break
	Breakout Sessions: A bold vision for the future of volunteering
1:45pm - 2:45pm	Lecture Part 1 (Molonglo room) An introduction to the Volunteer Involvement Cycle, how it intersects with the National Standards for Volunteer Involvement and how it can be applied in practice.
2:45pm - 3:45pm	Workshop <i>Part 2 (Molonglo room)</i> This practical workshop is all about long-term strategic planning and innovation, and will involve volunteer managers developing a 12-month plan with identified goals.
1:45pm - 3:45pm	Government Volunteer Manager Workshop (Namarag room) This practical workshop for volunteer managers working within Government will involve identifying opportunities for cross-government collaboration and support, aligned with the ACT Volunteering Strategy.
3:45pm - 4:30pm	Final remarks & Networking