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PRESIDENT'S COMMENT

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Nominations for 2012/14 NZIF Council

It's been good to see that a few more nominations for the Council and Board have come in over the last week, but more are still needed if we are going to fill all the positions and to have a well contested election. Nominations close on Monday 13 February so you have only two weeks left to get your nominations lodged – please make sure you do.

Forestry not flavour of the month in Ruapehu

News this week that the hearings panel for the Ruapehu District Council's plan changes has upheld a provision that any new forest plantings must be set back 25 m rather than the existing 5 m. Apparently submissions on setbacks was the fourth biggest issue in submissions on the plan. The conclusion was that this (i.e. the large number of submissions) and "experiences of landowners in the district" indicated that the existing conditions did not "properly regulate the adverse effects of forestry on adjoining land uses". This is despite the panel finding that "there is limited scientific evidence available on the effects of exotic forestry on the productive potential of

soils and pasture growth rates”. Apparently, despite the limited scientific evidence, the panel did hear “convincing evidence that mature pine forest affects adjoining land by reducing soil productivity from a combination of factors, including shade, pine needle contamination, and water absorption”. Farming activities are also “at risk from tree or limb failure, with adverse effects on boundary fences, adjacent farm tracks, spraying and stock straying”.

With 25 m set-backs from boundaries and some of the set-backs from rivers and streams I have heard banded about in a number of forums, there won’t be much land actually available for forestry on some properties.

Just as well the carbon price has dropped to levels that won’t actually encourage investors to plant trees.

Just last year, Sir Peter Gluckman, the Prime Minister’s Chief Science Adviser, published a paper *Towards better use of evidence in policy formation*. I am sure that, had the panel and the District Council looked for it, there would be more well researched evidence to augment their statement about “limited scientific evidence” as the panel only refers to one scientific paper, and then appears to dismiss it (apparently based largely on assertions from those in favour of the wider set-back) as not relevant to the issue being considered. The panel also appears to have given greater weight to the rights of non-forest land owners than it has to those who want to use their land for a tree crop.

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MEMBER’S FORUM

(Please keep Guest Comment and Member’s Forum contributions to around 300 words. Send contributions as an email attachment (Word document) to newsletter@nzif.org.nz.

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NZIF 2012 Conference

► Engineering Value Growing & Harvesting Forests for Novel Wood Structures



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2012 NZIF AGM and Conference

The theme for the 2012 NZIF Conference is: *Engineering Value – Growing and Harvesting Forests for Novel Wood Structures*.

Date: **Sunday 1 July to Wednesday 4 July**. A CPD workshop and the NZIF AGM will take place on the Sunday. The conference on the Monday and Tuesday and a field trip on Wednesday.

Venue: University of Canterbury, Ilam Campus, Christchurch.

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Conference website now available

The 2012 Conference website is now up and running with information being loaded as it comes to hand www.nzifconference.co.nz. Check it out for initial details of the venue and programme – also details of sponsorships.

Sponsorship opportunities for 2012 NZIF Conference now available

Sponsorship opportunities for the NZIF Annual Conference to be held in Christchurch from 1 to 4 July 2012 are now available. This event will have something for everyone. If you are interested in being a sponsor then get more details from the conference website or contact James Treadwell at secretary@nzif.org.nz. Many thanks to those listed in the side panel who have already become sponsors.

This week, we are delighted to welcome:

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NZIF BUSINESS

Call for nominations for NZIF Council and Registration Board

A call for nominations for the next NZIF Council and for two forthcoming vacancies for the NZIF Registration Board has been emailed or posted (to those without email) to NZIF Members. The notice and nomination forms are also available on the NZIF website (under <About NZIF><2012 NZIF elections>).

Nominations for Council

Nominations are called for the positions of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and six Councillors to make up the NZIF Council to serve from the earlier of 1 June 2012 or the 2012 NZIF AGM until the earlier of 31 May 2014 or the 2014 NZIF AGM.

Those nominated must be Honorary Members or Retired Members or Registered Members or Members or Associate Members of the Institute, but Retired Associate and Associate Members may only be nominated for the position of Councillor and only if they have been a member of the Institute for at least five years at the time of nomination (see Article 47). Only one Retired Associate or Associate Member can be elected as a Councillor. The procedure if more than one is in the six highest polling nominees is set out in Article 59.

Nominations for Registration Board

The terms of Registration Board members Mr Don Hammond and Mr Peter Gorman terminate on the earlier of 1 June 2012 or the 2012 NZIF AGM.

Nominations are therefore called for the following vacancies:

1. One Retired Registered or Registered Member of the Institute. In the event of more than one nomination, a postal vote will be held in which only Registered Members will be eligible to participate;
2. One Retired (but not Retired Associate) Member or Registered Member or Member of the Institute. In the event of more than one nomination, a postal vote will be held in which all members except Student Members will be eligible to participate.

The four-year term of those elected to fill the vacancies will begin on the earlier of 1 June 2012 or the 2012

NZIF AGM and will end on the earlier of 31 May 2016 or the 2016 NZIF AGM.

Registration Board members receive attendance fees and reimbursement of expenses.

General information about nominations

Each nomination must be made by no fewer than two NZIF members who may be any category of member except Student Member.

Nominations must be in the hands of the NZIF Secretary no later than **5:00 pm on Monday 13 February 2012** by sending to one of the following contacts:

Postal:

New Zealand Institute of Forestry
PO Box 10-513
The Terrace
WELLINGTON 6143

Email: admin@nzif.org.nz

Emailed nominations do not need signatures, but the nominee and nominators will be contacted to confirm their agreement.

In the event that an election is needed for any position, candidate information will be sought from each nominee. It is expected that ballot papers will be distributed no later than Thursday 1 March 2012 and that the ballot will close no later than Friday 30 March 2012.

The NZIF Articles of Association can be found on the NZIF website (www.nzif.org.nz, click on <about NZIF> <Constitution>).

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SUBMISSIONS

Murray Parrish (murray.parrish@chh.com) is Submissions Coordinator. NZIF Members or local sections considering making submissions (even on what appear to be local issues) should advise him of their plans. Council can assist with the cost of making submissions (contact Murray for details).

ENVIRONMENTAL REPORTING

A summary of submissions received in response to the consultation on “Measuring Up: Environmental Reporting – A Discussion Document” is available at <http://www.mfe.govt.nz/environmental-reporting/about/>. The NZIF submission on this topic, made in October last year, is available on the NZIF website.

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LOCAL SECTIONS

Local section contacts can be found on the NZIF website (www.nzif.org.nz).

CANTERBURY SECTION

You are invited to the next local NZIF meeting:

When: Wednesday 29 February at 6:00 pm – drinks and nibbles followed by a short AGM, then a talk by Simon Rapley (NZ Redwood Co)

Topic: ‘Redwood in New Zealand’

Where: Lecture Theatre F3, School of Forestry, University of Canterbury

RSVP: Please confirm your attendance to Mark Bloomberg (Secretary/Treasurer) by email by Monday 27 February (mark.bloomberg@canterbury.ac.nz).

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PACIFIC FORESTRY SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP

Fijian wildlife book for sale



NatureFiji-MareqetiViti has available for sale a book by Dick Watling called *Mai Veikau, Tales of Fijian Wildlife*. The book originally published in 1986 contains 14 short stories recounting local folklore and providing substantiating scientific background to these traditional myths. It is beautifully illustrated in watercolours and pencil art of the Fijian wildlife described within. Most of the stories are based on articles written for the “Weekly Look at Nature” column, which appeared in the *Sunday Times* between March 1984 and 1985. If you are interested in purchasing some copies the prices are:

Retail: \$15 per copy

Wholesale: \$10 for five or more copies.

For international and local orders please visit our website on the link provided under ‘additional downloads’ (bottom of article):

<http://www.naturefiji.org/newsstory.php?id=149>

Kelera, Conservation Officer/Membership Secretary, NatureFiji-MareqetiViti (Ph: 3100 598; Fax: 3100 582, Email: kmacedru@naturefiji.org).

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STUDENT’S SECTION

PhD in Forest Modelling Complexity

We are looking for a motivated PhD student to work on a modeling project that investigates the potential trade-offs between managing forests for efficient provision of goods and services and adaptability in relation to global change factors and in the context of complex adaptive system theory. The project will be coordinated between the University of Quebec a Montreal (UQAM), Oregon State University, and the Swedish University of

Agricultural Sciences, Umeå, Sweden; with the student being based at the UQAM, but travelling among the three universities. Required qualifications include a basic training in forestry, forest ecology, and forest economic and a strong background in quantitative sciences and modeling. To apply or for further information, send a letter of interest outlining your suitability and motivation, a CV, and a list of references to Klaus Puettmann (Klaus.Puettmann@oregonstate.edu), Christian Messier (messier.christian@uqam.ca) or Jon Moen (Jon.Moen@emg.umu.se). The candidate's acceptance will depend upon successfully obtaining a scholarship from the Forest Modeling Complexity program (<http://www.fcm.uqam.ca/index.asp?lang=en>).

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PEOPLE NEWS

Bougainville appointment

VSA has appointed NZIF member Ian Cairns to the (volunteer) forestry officer position in Buka Bougainville that was being advertised in this Newsletter last year. Working with VSA to promote forestry positions in the Pacific is a direct result of the recommendations from the ANZIF conference, so it is satisfying that Ian first saw this position in this Newsletter.

Update on MAF changes

Rob Miller, Reg. MNZIF Wellington, has supplied this update on his new role in MAF and on other recent changes.

As many of you will be aware, MAF merged with the Ministry of Fisheries last year. Organisational and staff changes resulted from this merger.

Rob is moving to a new position in MAF as a Senior Investment Analyst within the Primary Growth Partnership (PGP) team from 30 January. The PGP is a government-industry initiative investing in significant programmes of research and innovation to boost economic growth and the sustainability of NZ's primary industries.

The forestry programmes for which Rob previously had operational responsibility will continue under the new Resource Management and Programmes (RMP) branch which is responsible for management of forestry and fisheries programmes. Within the RMP branch the Forest and Land Operations directorate is responsible for the forestry provisions of the ETS; the regulation of sustainable management of indigenous forests under the Forests Act and the Permanent Forest Sinks Initiative. It will also have a role in the implementation of the Afforestation Grant Scheme in the regions and the East Coast Forestry Project.

The Afforestation Grant Scheme and the East Coast Forestry scheme, along with other primary sector grant incentive schemes such as the Sustainable Farming Fund, are now managed under the Aquaculture, Growth and Innovation directorate.

Key MAF staff within the new branch responsible for these programmes are:

Scott Gallacher	Deputy Director General, Resource Management and Programmes
Aoife Martin	Director, Forest and Land Operations
Kathy Mansell	Director, Aquaculture, Growth and Innovation
Alan Tinnelly MNZIF	Regional Manager, South Island
Glenn Sutton	Regional Manager, North Island
Stuart Day	Growth and Innovation Manager

The new organisation is strongly committed to enabling and partnering the primary sectors to help drive the Government's objectives of growing a sustainable economy. Front-line advisory support to land owners and other members of the public with interests in these forestry programmes will continue to be provided through MAF's regional offices in Whangarei, Rotorua, Gisborne, Whanganui, Nelson, Christchurch and Dunedin. Information on the forestry programmes is available through the MAF website www.maf.govt.nz or by contacting 0800CLIMATE (254628) for the ETS and PFSI programmes.

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MASTER OF SUSTAINABLE FOREST MANAGEMENT, THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Our new Master of Sustainable Forest Management (MSFM) is a one-year course-based program that provides students with opportunities for advanced scholarship in natural resource management. It prepares students for careers as forestry professionals in temperate forests in North America and overseas, and sets the stage for life-long learning. The MSFM will begin in August 2012 with two weeks of classes and field work at one of our research forests.

Fellowships: UBC's Faculty of Forestry offers \$10,000 as part of an *International Student Fellowship in Sustainable Resource Management* to assist international students (U.S.A. or overseas) with their costs for the MSFM program. The award criteria are as follows: being an international student (non-Canadian citizen, non-Permanent resident); academic excellence; leadership; and a demonstrated commitment to sustainable resource management.

Pre-applications to this new program must be made prior to **20 February 2012** for the August 2012 program start date. For more information please visit www.forestry.ubc.ca/grad or email mfm.program@ubc.ca

ERNSLAW ONE LTD, FORESTRY PLANNER, GISBORNE

Ernslaw One is a forest owner and manager with offices and forest estates throughout NZ. Applications are invited for the position of Forestry Planner based in Gisborne.

The purpose of this position is to carry out forestry planning and provide technical support for the North Island forest estate. Reporting to the Land & Resource Manager, responsibilities will include accountability for:

- forest operations technical support
- regime analysis
- forest genetics, including company strategy, seed and nursery contracts
- forest health
- research and development.

Serious consideration will be given to applicants with:

- a tertiary qualification and/or relevant forest planning experience
- knowledge of silvicultural practices and forest genetics
- being prepared to travel.

Ernslaw One Ltd is committed to ensuring a safe and healthy work environment. The successful applicant would require a pre-employment medical, drug and alcohol assessment.

A position description and application form are available from Bill Wheeler on (06) 868 0072 or email jobs@ernslaw.co.nz. **Closing date:** A covering letter, application form and CV should be submitted by **5:00 pm Tuesday 31 January 2012** to the above email address, or sent to the Land & Resource Manager, Ernslaw One Ltd, PO Box 2042, Gisborne 4040.

JOB VACANCY WEBSITES

Science jobs	fusionz.rsnz.org/
MAF	careers.haines.co.nz/MAF/Pages/Vacancies.aspx
NZ conservation jobs	www.conjobs.co.nz/index.php
Department of Conservation	www.doc.govt.nz/about-doc/jobs-at-doc/current-vacancies/
Australian Government	jobsearch.gov.au/Login/Login.aspx?WHCode=0
Australia Department of Agriculture Fisheries & Forestry	www.daff.gov.au/about/jobs
FAO projects and professional vacancies	www.fao.org/employment/project-vacancies/en/ www.fao.org/employment/empl-professionalvacancies/en/

SCOTTISH FORESTRY STUDENT SEEKS WORK

My name is Samuel Riley and I am studying at the Scottish School of Forestry UK for a BSc Sustainable Forest Management with Forest Conservation. I am looking for a work placement for September 2012 to June 2013. It is my hope to eventually live in New Zealand. Can you assist in my search? Please email paulchrissam@gmail.com.

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PUBLICATIONS / MEDIA / NOTICES

INVITATION TO FOREST OWNERS ASSOCIATION PROPOSED COMMODITY LEVY REGIONAL WORKSHOPS

The Forest Owners Association (FOA) is currently looking at a compulsory commodity levy under the Commodities Levy Act. This would involve forest owners voting on whether the industry should compulsorily fund the FOA.

The current FOA membership fee and targeted levy structure brings in income from FOA members. There are thousands of small forest owners in New Zealand. Therefore on an area basis almost one-third of forest owners do not contribute to the Association, and on a number of owners basis only a small percentage contribute. A voluntary levy is inequitable as it allows non-paying growers to benefit from the contributions of others. It is not possible to restrict the flow of industry benefits arising from FOA activities to FOA members. The results of FOA input to communication, policy development and research for example are nearly always available across the industry and cannot be restricted to FOA members. Projects undertaken by FOA benefit the industry generally. A compulsory levy on log production is equitable, as eventually the majority of forests are harvested, and the levy will be imposed at the time of greatest cash input for the forest grower.

The proposed commodity levy will be on all harvested logs from plantation forests that are either exported in log form or processed in NZ. This includes all species and all production that leaves the forest in log or chip form. A referendum to obtain approval for the commodity levy from potential payers will commence on 22 February 2012.

The levy will be administered by New Zealand Forest Owners Association Incorporated with the funds used to address issues affecting plantation forest owners. The reasons for moving to a commodity levy, and how levy payers can have their views listened to and incorporated into Association activities, will be presented at regional workshops.

We want your feedback and views. This is an opportunity that you can't afford to miss! Come along and be informed, and then tell us what you think.

Schedule for workshops:

City	Date	Time	Venue
Wellington	Thursday 7 Feb	6.00 – 7.00pm	Turnbull House, Bowen Street, Wellington
Balclutha	Wednesday 8 Feb	6.00 – 7.00pm	Rosebank Lodge Motor Hotel, 265 Rosebank, Balclutha
Christchurch	Thursday 9 Feb	6.00 – 7.00pm	ChCh Netball Centre, 455 Hagley Ave, Christchurch
Nelson	Friday 10 Feb	6.00 – 7.00pm	Tahuna Conference Centre, Tahunanui, Nelson
Napier	Monday 13 Feb	6.00 – 7.00pm	Napier War Memorial Hall, Marine Parade, Napier
Rotorua	Tuesday 14 Feb	6.00 – 7.00pm	Rimu Room, Scion, 49 Sala St, Rotorua
Gisborne	Wednesday 15 Feb	6.00 – 7.00pm	Juken NZ Boardroom, 74 MacDonald Rd,

			Matawhero, Gisborne
Auckland	Thursday 16 Feb	6.00 – 7.00pm	Rayonier NZ Boardroom, 32-34 Mahuhu Cres, Auckland
Whangarei	Friday 17 Feb	6.00 – 7.00pm	NZRC Lounge, Toll Stadium, Okara Dr, Whangarei

Please RSVP to Diane Davidson (Diane.davidson@nzfoa.org.nz) by 3 February if you are able to attend. Full details of background, reasons for and other supporting information is available on the FOA website at www.nzfoa.org.nz

NZFOA WORKSHOP: INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS FOR BIOSECURITY PROBLEMS – DOES GE HAVE A ROLE?

The NZFOA is holding the 10th annual Forest Biosecurity workshop in Rotorua on 28-29 February 2012. This year the focus is on the potential role of genetic engineering in providing solutions to biosecurity problems.

Biosecurity issues are increasing worldwide in all primary production sectors. Forestry is no exception as trade and travel increase and pests and diseases hitchhike to new destinations, establish in new environments, and often evolve into bigger threats. Breeding is the conventional tried and true method for combating plant diseases, but for conifer trees in particular it is very slow, and also cannot provide complete resistance. The main research goal of the NZ forest industry is to increase productivity while decreasing the incidence of foliar diseases, goals that are perfectly compatible. In light of rapidly evolving and spreading pathogens, innovative solutions are being sought that will provide robust and enduring benefits. This workshop will explore the option of GE and will discuss technical, social and environmental issues.

There is an outstanding line-up of speakers presenting at the workshop and it will kick off with an update by Dave Tanner, GM PSA Innovation for Zespri, on what has happened with the kiwifruit PSA incursion 12 months on. The role of GE in providing potential solutions will be covered from a variety of angles including technical, environmental, social and market perspectives.

For more information and registration contact the NZFOA Forest Biosecurity Manager – Bill Dyck (BillDyck@xtra.co.nz). The workshop is by invitation only and forest industry and MAF reps will have priority for the limited spaces available.

RSNZ LECTURES

Unquenchable: America's Water Crisis and What to Do About It

Hamilton:

Wednesday 1 February at 6.00 pm, Concert Chamber, Gallagher Academy of Performing Arts, University of Waikato

Wellington:

Wednesday 8 February at 6:00 pm, Victoria University, Rutherford House Lecture Theatre 1, Pipitea Campus

Christchurch:

Thursday 9 February 6.00pm, University of Canterbury (venue to be notified)

A lecture by Professor Robert Glennon, University of Arizona. Professor Glennon discusses the tragedy – and irony – of water in America. From the Vegas Strip to faux snow in Atlanta, from supersized bathrooms to mega-farms, from billion dollar water deals to big time politics and personalities, his acclaimed book *Unquenchable*:

America's Water Crisis and What To Do About It has revealed the heady extravagances and everyday waste that are sucking the nation dry. America must make hard choices – and his answer is a provocative market-based system that values water as a commodity and a fundamental human right. His answers have a global context and resonate with the issues being faced here in NZ. There is no cost to attend, and bookings are not required. For further information contact: brent.clothier@plantandfood.co.nz

2012 BIOCHAR WORKSHOP: FROM SCIENCE TO STAKEHOLDERS

This is to be held on 9-10 February 2012 at Massey University, Palmerston North. See Biochar website: www.biochar.co.nz. Topics include: production technology; biochar economics; characterisation of biochars; biochar-soil-plant interactions; application case studies; and life cycle assessment. Contact: L.M.Lowe@Massey.ac.nz.

CFA YOUNG FORESTER AWARD

The Commonwealth Forestry Association (CFA) is pleased to announce the launch of the Young Forester Award 2012. The award is designed to support the professional development of foresters below 35 years of age through the provision of a short-term work placement in a country other than their own and consists of a designated placement combined with a bursary of between £1000 and £1500 to cover a stay of between three- and six-months (depending on the placement selected) with established and renowned forestry organisations in order to meet their professional interest. The hosts might be major timber companies, research organisations or NGOs but they all share the desire to support the development of the next generation of foresters.

Applications for the Young Forester Award are invited from students and young professionals below the age of 35 years on 30 June 2012 who are nationals of Commonwealth countries. Please note that as part of the CFA's continuing support to Small Island Developing States (SIDS), for the 2012 Young Forester Award we particularly encourage applications from foresters from SIDS within the Commonwealth. In addition we encourage applications from women, those with disabilities, and nationals of developing countries. See www.cfa-international.org/youth/yfa.php for more information.

LANDCARE TRUST CONFERENCE

The 'Landcare In Action' conference is being held on 29 February to 1 March 2012. This year's conference will take place in the pleasant surroundings of the Gallagher Academy of Performing Arts on the University of Waikato Campus in Hamilton. While the venue has excellent facilities and a delightful atmosphere, space is limited. Therefore the conference management team has put a strict cap on delegate numbers. To avoid disappointment we suggest you register now using our simple online registration system. This can be found by following the link from the conference page: www.landcare.org.nz/conference.

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CALENDAR

The events in this calendar have come from a range of sources and no responsibility can be taken for errors. Contact the organisers to check times, locations, costs etc. New events are marked in moss green.

February 2012

Wed 1 RSNZ lecture: America's water crisis, Hamilton, 6:00 pm,
brent.clothier@plantandfood.co.nz



Tue 7 – Fri 17	FOA commodity levy regional workshops (nationwide), Diane.davidson@nzfoa.org.nz
Wed 8	RSNZ lecture: America's water crisis, Wellington, 6:00 pm, brent.clothier@plantandfood.co.nz
Thurs 9	RSNZ lecture: America's water crisis, Christchurch, 6:00 pm, brent.clothier@plantandfood.co.nz
Thur 9 – Fri 10	Biochar Workshop, Massey University, Palmerston North, www.biochar.co.nz
Fri 10	NZIF Council Meeting, Wellington
Mon 13	Nominations close for NZIF Council and Registration Board vacancies
Wed 15	Trees on farms workshop, Central Hawke's Bay, i.nicholas@clear.net.nz
Wed 29 Feb	Canterbury section meeting, mark.bloomberg@canterbury.ac.nz
Wed 29 Feb – Thur 1 Mar	Landcare Trust Conference, Hamilton, www.landcare.org.nz/conference
March 2012	
Wed 7 – Wed 28	2012 Leonard Cockayne Memorial Lecture Tour, http://www.royalsociety.org.nz/programmes/awards/cockayne-lecture/
Wed 21	ForestWood Conference, Wellington, www.forestwood.org.nz
Sat 31	Charles Fleming Fund Call for Applications close, http://www.royalsociety.org.nz/programmes/funds/fleming/
July 2012	
Sun 1	NZIF AGM, Christchurch
Sun 1 – Wed 4	NZIF Conference, Christchurch, www.nzifconference.co.nz

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