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**PRESIDENT'S COMMENT**

Andrew McEwen FNZIF  
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**NZIF workshops**

The first of the current series of NZIF workshops was held in Auckland this week. Attendance was disappointing, but those who were there indicated that they were pleased with the workshop and glad they attended. There was a session on the implications of the Real Estate Agents Act on NZIF members (and also reference to the possible implications of the Financial Advisors legislation), professional indemnity insurance and other insurance issues and an update on the ETS, including the current consultation process. The final session was a general discussion about the registration scheme – recent changes, possible improvements, financing etc. Certainly valuable for me and I hope for those who attended.

I thank Mairead Woods and Andre Neumann of URS who arranged for the use of the meeting room in their office and ensuring that attendees were fed and watered. It is really good when members are able to assist us like this and I am very grateful to them.

The next workshop is in Wellington on Monday (23 April). If you want to come and haven't already registered, you had better contact me without delay – and do read Garth Cumberland's report on the consequences of not attending.

We are confirming the Christchurch workshop on Friday 4 May and there is still time to register for it. I am also reasonably confident that we can run the Balclutha one on Thursday 3 April. This needs to be confirmed by Monday – so if you are interested please let us know as soon as possible.

### GM trial

Plenty of publicity this week on the destruction of the Scion trial of GM pines. While there are some who have defended the action, there are plenty who have come out in support of the need for research into GM technology. NZIF put out a media statement (on the NZIF website ([here](#))), which received coverage in a number of places including the *Rotorua Daily Post* and the *Royal Society Alert*. The President of the Royal Society and a number of scientists have also come out in support. Perhaps the most useful support was a very supportive editorial in the *Dominion Post* ([here](#)) on Tuesday 17 April. This concluded *What is required is a robust and properly managed regime to mitigate against the risks. That is exactly what was in place in the Rotorua trial, and those who stopped it had no just cause to do so.* The Stuff website has also been running a poll on the question “Do you support the use of GM technology?”, which by last evening had received 6,058 votes, of which 60.8% had responded “yes”. I have asked Stuff about their polls, for example whether it is possible for a person to vote more than once, but have not received a reply.

An item on the National Programme Rural News this morning caught my attention. One rather busy bull is expected to produce around 275,000 dairy cows. Apparently most of NZ's dairy herd seems to be produced by no more than 100 bulls. Raises some interesting thoughts about some of those things forestry is criticised for – monocultures, clonal forestry, reducing genetic diversity and getting pretty close to trying GM technology.

### ETS consultation

Don't forget that the government has released a consultation document on proposed changes to the ETS. These include:

- Slower phase out of the “one for two” transition measures;
- Maintaining the \$25 fixed-price option until at least 2015 and providing power to extend this beyond 2015;
- Providing power to delay the entry of emissions from animal livestock and fertiliser use for up to three years;
- Including offsetting for pre-1990 forest to allow for more flexible land use change, but accompanied by withdrawal of some or all of the second tranche of pre-1990 NZ units allocated to those forests;
- Introducing powers to enable auctioning of NZUs;
- Provide for quantitative restrictions on the use of international units.

There are still a few of the consultation meetings (they end on Tuesday next week) and MAF officials will be covering some aspects at the NZIF workshops, including at the Wellington workshop on Monday.

I understand that Radio NZ ran some comments of mine on the Rural News at lunchtime yesterday (Thursday 19 April) and it is on their website if you are interested.

Further information on the proposals and consultation is available [here](#).

NZIF will be making a submission, so we welcome any comments that members might like to make.

## Death of NZIF member

I was saddened this week to hear of the death of William McKinnie, an NZIF member since February 1999. Bill lived in Oregon, USA, and he was a member of the Association of Consulting Foresters of America and a Certified Forester with the Society of American Foresters.

A few years ago Bill contacted me because he was concerned that although he was not a Registered Member of NZIF he was calling himself a forestry consultant, which is a breach of the NZIF rules. He sought, and was granted, a dispensation from the Registration Board on the basis that he was an SAF Certified Forester.

Bill had some forestry connections and interests in NZ but I am not aware of the details.

## Reminders

A few reminders of other things going on in the NZIF world:

- Membership fees are due for payment by the end of this month;
- Some Student Members have not yet confirmed their status for the 2012/13 year. We know some of you have finished your studies and we hope you will move on to become Graduate Members;
- Some members who were on hold for 2011/12 have still to confirm their status for the 2011/12 year;
- Registered Members must complete their annual requirements (pay and submit their CPD records and reaffirmation of the Code of Ethics) by the end of the month if they want to maintain registration and be able to display a current annual practicing certificate;
- Nominations for Fellows close on Friday 4 May;
- Nominations for NZIF 2012 Forester of the Year close on Friday 4 May;
- Applications for the Chavasse Travel Award close with the NZIF Foundation on Friday 4 May;
- Applications for three Student Scholarships (polytech student, university undergraduate student and postgraduate student) all close with the NZIF Foundation on Friday 4 May;
- Time to register for the NZIF AGM and conference in Christchurch from Sunday 1 to Wednesday 4 July. Have a look at the conference brochure ([click here](#)) and get enthused. Don't forget to book some accommodation.

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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](mailto:newsletter@nzif.org.nz).)

## Forestry Professionals Detained

*Garth Cumberland FNZIF, Retired Registered Forestry Consultant, Auckland*

I'm just doing a little calculation here. There are, what, eighty-nine of you out there; and only eight who attended the Institute's workshop in Auckland. There's a couple more workshops (including Wellington on Monday), so perhaps another twelve or sixteen will get the dinkum oil about the Real Estate Agents Act. Mmmm, that leaves about 68 who won't.

Explanation: Now that I am retiring from forest consultancy work, I am available for personal visits to Her Majesty's Detention Facilities. But baking 68 cakes to take along - on a weekly basis - is a bit beyond the pale - and more than any retired consultant should reasonably be expected to do.

And the need for compassionate visits could go on for quite a long time - because there's not only the REA Act, but also the Financial Advisors Act (which those attending at Auckland asked the NZIF Council to investigate as well).

I think I might have to go back to work, because the demand for services is sure to increase, with so few of you (us) 'free' to provide them. That way someone else would have to attend to the welfare visits.

Perhaps I should have explained. The need for my calculations come about as a result of a possible consequence of the REA Act as it was described to the Auckland workshop on Wednesday by Simpson Grierson's partner Phillip Merfield. Many of the activities we commonly do as forest consultants could be construed as being those a real estate agent would undertake - according to definitions in the Act.

Those of us who attended on Wednesday were pleased to learn the detail. Whether or not the Act is modified (and Merfield anticipates amendments will make it more encompassing - not less, which is what we had thought might be logical), the workshop contained a salutary warning.

If I do go back "to work", things will be different. As a consequence of what I learnt at the workshop, I would look ever more closely - and favourably - at my PI insurance for example. I would approach any formal 'Terms of Engagement' with greater care and consideration.

Anyway, whatever 'pans' out for me, could I sincerely say to the rest of you, enjoy your stay at HM's pleasure. Send us your news for the Newsletter.

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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

*Theme:* Engineering Value – Growing and Harvesting Forests for Novel Wood Structures

*Date:* **Sunday 1 July to Wednesday 4 July 2012**

*Associated events:*

Two CPD workshops and the NZIF AGM on Sunday 1 July

NZIF Awards Dinner on Monday 2 July

Field trip on Wednesday 4 July

*Venue:* University of Canterbury, Ilam Campus, Christchurch

*Website:* [www.nzifconference.co.nz](http://www.nzifconference.co.nz)

### Conference brochure and newsletter

The organising committee has produced a brochure for the conference ([click here](#)). It has the full programme registration details, field trips, social events, accommodation options and much more. So be sure to have a look at it, pass it on to as many people as you can, and make sure you register.

### Conference sponsors

Thank you to all sponsors for your support of our conference and of the NZIF. Further sponsorship opportunities still exist. Just look at the exposure you are getting each week from now to the conference in this Newsletter, which is going to around 1,000 forestry professionals in NZ and the wider Pacific (plus a few even further afield). 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](mailto:secretary@nzif.org.nz).

**This week we welcome Maccaferri Ltd as an exhibitor at the conference.**

### Conference registrations

If you haven't already done so, have a look at the programme on the Conference website, [www.nzifconference.co.nz](http://www.nzifconference.co.nz). Then continue to the registration page (link on the right-hand side of the home page) and make the commitment to support NZIF and Christchurch. Accommodation close to the conference is filling up. You need to book early to secure a place to sleep.



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**NZIF BUSINESS**

**From the Registrar**

**Registration application**

An application to become a Registered Member has been received from:

- Ms **Erin Leahy** of Rotorua.

Any member of the Institute has the right to object to an application. Any objection should be made by lodging a notice with the Registrar within 20 working days of the first appearance (13 April) of the notice in this Newsletter, specifying the grounds of the objection.

An application to become a Registered Member has been received from:

- Mr **Tony Groome** of Feilding

Any member of the Institute has the right to object to an application. Any objection should be made by lodging a notice with the Registrar within 20 working days of the first appearance (20 April) of the notice in this newsletter, specifying the grounds of the objection.

**Five-yearly review notice**

The current procedures for Registered Members require placement of a notice in the NZIF Newsletter informing NZIF members of those Registered Members whose registration status is to be reviewed during the year. The

following Registered Members have their review due in the 2012/13 year:

Vern Harris, John Schrider, Anthony Watt, Piers Maclaren, Peter Wilks, Garth Cumberland, James Barton, Paul Molloy, Jon Dey, Robert Pocknall, Robin Webster, Brett Gilmore, Jeff Schnell, Julian Kohn and Branislav Zoric.

The review process as approved by Council allows any member of the Institute the right to object to the continuation of a member's registration. Any objection should be made by lodging a notice with the Registrar within 20 working days of this first appearance (30 March 2012) of the notice in the Newsletter, specifying the grounds of the objection.

### Annual requirements

All Registered Members will have received their 2012/13 invoice and instructions re complying with the annual requirements. All three matters have to be completed by 30 April 2012 to meet the requirements of the articles. Please attend to this promptly.

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### Nominations for NZIF Fellows

To be made a Fellow of the NZIF is the highest honour that the Institute can bestow on a member. It is recognition of eminence in the profession of forestry by the member's peers. Accordingly it is not lightly bestowed and the number of Fellows at any one time is likely to be relatively small. There are currently 44 Fellows of the NZIF. A list can be found on the website [here](#). Potential candidates for Fellow:

- Must be a Registered or Full Member at the time of nomination and must have been such a Member for at least five years prior to the nomination;
- Must have had at least 15 years' experience in some branch of forestry (which can include practice, administration, teaching or research) – at least five years of that experience must have been in NZ;
- Must be nominated by two Members who must themselves be Honorary, Registered or Full Members of the NZIF.

Nominations are submitted to the NZIF Council. The nominations will be considered by the Council with the assistance of the Fellows' Committee and will determine which, if any, nominations will be placed before the NZIF AGM. Recognition of a Fellow requires a majority vote in favour of the candidate from the Honorary, Registered and Full Members present at the AGM.

The Council is now calling for nominations for consideration for recognition as Fellows of the NZIF at the 2012 AGM to be held in Christchurch on Sunday 1 July 2012. Nominations must include:

- The name and contact details of the nominee;
- The names and contact details of the two nominators;
- A statement from the nominators setting out the reasons why the nominee is worthy of recognition as a Fellow of the NZIFA curriculum vitae of the nominee;
- The nominee's consent to the nomination;
- References from two current or former employees or colleagues of some standing, which manifest the nominee's allegiance to the Institute's Code of Ethics.

Please take the time to consider those NZIF members who you believe are suitable to be recognised as Fellows and then take steps to nominate them. A nomination form is available on the NZIF website ([here](#)). Please also direct any queries about nominations for Fellows to the NZIF Secretary, James Treadwell ([secretary@nzif.org.nz](mailto:secretary@nzif.org.nz)). Nominations must be submitted in writing to the NZIF Secretary, PO Box 10-513, The Terrace, Wellington 6143,



or email to [admin@nzif.org.nz](mailto:admin@nzif.org.nz) no later than 5:00 pm on **Friday 4 May 2012**.

### **Call for nominations for NZIF 2012 Forester of the Year**

The NZIF Forester of the Year Award is one of the highest accolades the Institute can bestow. It recognises an NZIF Member who has made an outstanding contribution to either the forestry profession, or the forestry sector. The award recognises leadership, excellence and personal integrity, particularly where this demonstrates the character and strength of the forestry profession.

The awardee receives a certificate and the Forester of the Year carving, which they hold for one year. The award will be announced during the NZIF Awards Dinner at the NZIF Conference in Christchurch on Monday 2 July 2012.

#### **Criteria:**

- a) Open to any nominated NZIF Member who has achieved at least Member status;
- b) Consideration will be given to the nominee's:
  - o contribution to NZ's economic, social and environmental development, the use of innovation and new technologies, or the creation of a new product or business of significance to forestry;
  - o professional and academic achievements, broad community involvement, cultural and other achievements;
  - o contribution to NZIF;
- c) Desirable attributes of the nominees for this award include:
  - o Publicising or promoting the interests of the profession and forestry sector;
  - o Upholding the Institute's code of ethics and contribution to the profession's expertise and experience;
  - o Disseminating technical information within the profession;
  - o Encouraging young people to enter the profession and actively participate in Institute affairs.

#### **Conditions of nomination**

- a) Nominations must be on the NZIF Forester of the Year nomination form
- b) Nominees must be at least (full) Members of NZIF.
- c) The judges have the discretion not to bestow the award should the required standard not be reached or criteria not adequately met.
- d) The judges' decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.
- e) Nominations for must be received by 5:00 pm on **Friday 4 May 2012**.

Nomination forms available on the NZIF website [here](#).

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### **Invoices and confirmation of membership status**

Invoices for the NZIF financial year beginning 1 March 2012 have been emailed or posted to members. Registered Members have received details of the additional information they need to supply in order to maintain their registration. Student Members and members on hold have been asked to confirm their status for the 2012/13 year. Please attend to these matters by the due date of **30 April 2012**. If you haven't received anything, or you have any questions, please contact the Administrator (email [admin@nzif.org.nz](mailto:admin@nzif.org.nz), phone (04) 974 8421).

If you are sending credit card details to the administrator, please include the three digit security number on the back of your card – otherwise she cannot process the payment.

## NZIF member workshops

The remaining NZIF workshops are:

| Date         | Location     | Time             | Venue   |
|--------------|--------------|------------------|---|
| Mon 23 April | Wellington   | 9:00am – 4:00pm  | Forest Wood Centre, 9th Floor, 93 The Terrace, Wellington                                   |
| Thur 3 May   | Balclutha    | 10:00am – 5:00pm | Telford Polytechnic Meeting Room, 498 Owaka Highway, Balclutha                              |
| Fri 4 May    | Christchurch | 9:30am – 4:30pm  | Canterbury University, School of Forestry Meeting Room, 20 Kirkwood Ave, Ilam, Christchurch |

The workshops will be dealing with matters such as:

- Implications of provisions in the Real Estate Agents Act for forestry professionals. What NZIF has already done, what are further options etc. May also have comments about the implications of the Financial Advisers legislation on forestry professionals;
- An update on trends, strategies and the need for managing business risk through the acquisition of business and/or personal professional indemnity insurance;
- Some legal implications for those who provide client advice on all aspects of the Emissions Trading scheme;
- The proposed changes to the ETS;
- Where the NZIF is going, options for the registration scheme etc.

These workshops have relevance to all forestry professionals, not just Registered Members, and I urge you to attend. Bookings can be made through the NZIF website [click here](#). Online booking is available and early booking would be appreciated.

Note that the workshops are only for NZIF members. If you are aware of any non-member interested in attending, better help them get signed up as a member so they can attend. It would be appreciated if those wanting to attend sign up as soon as possible. NZIF reserves the right to cancel a workshop if there is insufficient interest. Contact John Schrider [john@forme.co.nz](mailto:john@forme.co.nz), (04) 232 7155 (5) or 027 446 9296, if you have any suggestions for other topics you would like to see included.

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## NZIF FOUNDATION

### Background to Foundation

The NZIF Foundation was established by the NZ Institute of Forestry in December 2011 to advance education in relation to forestry. This can include: encouraging and supporting forestry-related research, education and training through the provision of grants, scholarships and prizes; promoting the acquisition, development and dissemination of forestry-related knowledge and information; and other activities that do not conflict with the charitable purpose.

Enquiries regarding the Foundation can be directed to the NZIF Foundation Administrator

([foundation@nzif.org.nz](mailto:foundation@nzif.org.nz)) or to the Chair of the Trustees (Andrew McEwen, [am.mcewen@xtra.co.nz](mailto:am.mcewen@xtra.co.nz)).

## Awards being offered in 2012

The NZIF Foundation is offering the following awards in 2012:

- Chavasse Travel Award of up to \$3,500;
- Mary Sutherland Scholarship of \$1,000 – available to students enrolled for a forestry or forestry-related course at a NZ Polytechnic;
- University Undergraduate Scholarship of \$1,000 – available to students enrolled for a forestry or forestry-related degree at a NZ University);
- Frank Hutchinson Postgraduate scholarship of \$1,000 – available to postgraduate students enrolled for a forestry or forestry-related postgraduate degree at a NZ University.

### Chavasse Travel Award

The NZIF Foundation Chavasse Travel Award is open to any person interested or employed in NZ forestry to enable:

- The applicant to travel overseas in order to increase their and the forestry sector's experience and knowledge; or
- The applicant to assist an overseas person to travel to and within NZ for the purpose of making presentations on forestry topics to NZ audiences.

The award recognises forestry excellence and personal integrity, and aims to reward the clear dissemination and presentation of results.

### Student Scholarships

The Student Scholarships are open to all forestry students enrolled for a forestry or forestry-related degree or diploma at a NZ tertiary institution. They recognise excellence at the student level and reward innovation and entrepreneurial potential.

Applications for the Chavasse Award and the Student Scholarships are now open. They close at **5:00 pm on Friday 4 May 2012** and it is expected that awards will be presented to successful applicants at the Awards Dinner of the NZIF Conference in Christchurch of Monday 2 July 2012.

Application forms for the award and scholarships can be obtained from the NZIF Foundation web page ([click here](#)) or from [foundation@nzif.org.nz](mailto:foundation@nzif.org.nz).

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## SUBMISSIONS

Murray Parrish ([murray.parrish@chh.com](mailto: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).

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## STUDENT'S SECTION

### NZIF Foundation Student Scholarships

The NZIF Foundation is offering three Student Scholarships for 2012:

- Mary Sutherland Scholarship of \$1,000 – available to students enrolled for a forestry or forestry-related course at a NZ Polytechnic;
- University Undergraduate Scholarship of \$1,000 – available to students enrolled for a forestry or forestry-related degree at a NZ University);
- Frank Hutchinson Postgraduate scholarship of \$1,000 – available to postgraduate students enrolled for a forestry or forestry-related postgraduate degree at a NZ University.

More information in the section on the NZIF Foundation ([click here](#)). To obtain application forms and for further information contact Jay at [admin@nzif.org.nz](mailto:admin@nzif.org.nz), phone (04) 974 8421.

### Please confirm student status

Student Members will have received an email from the Administrator asking you to confirm your student status for 2012 (or if no longer a student to apply to advance to Graduate Member or Associate Member). It would be great if you could do this as soon as possible, so we don't need to keep hassling you for a response.

### BANZ (Bioenergy Association of NZ) Bioenergy Scholarships

BANZ has established a bioenergy scholarship scheme and is now seeking applications for the first round of applications.

BANZ is undertaking initiatives to help ensure greater development of the skills, experience and knowledge of bioenergy professionals in NZ, including attracting those in associated activities to consider specialising in bioenergy. As one of those initiatives BANZ has established a scholarship scheme which will be available for the purposes of specific training, research, travel or industry-based work experience.

Information on the scholarships and the criteria for applications is set out on the BANZ website [www.bioenergy.org.nz](http://www.bioenergy.org.nz) or are available [here](#):

The first round of scholarships for 2012 are:

- *BANZ/EECA Bioenergy Scholarship* – for professional engineering practitioners
- *BANZ/Scion Masterate Scholarship* – for a student undertaking a Masterate in a topic related to bioenergy
- *BANZ/Scion Bioenergy industry-based work experience* – placement of a scientist for a fixed period within a bioenergy company, or for a company employee with Scion.

If you are interested in developing your expertise and obtaining broader experience of bioenergy by visiting practitioners in other countries, working with scientists, or gaining new knowledge and experience of any aspect of bioenergy then you should consider an application for a scholarship.

The Bioenergy Scholarship is for up to \$5,000 of travel and is also available for those in associated fields who would like to develop a broader capability in bioenergy practices.

This round of scholarships is sponsored by Scion and EECA.

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## PEOPLE NEWS

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## ADVERTISEMENTS

The NZIF has no view on the service or product sought or advertised. Follow up any item directly with the advertiser, not with NZIF. A charge may be imposed, depending on the nature of the advertisement. If you respond to an advertiser, tell them that you saw it in the *NZIF Newsletter*.

To advertise in the newsletter contact the NZIF Administrator, [admin@nzif.org.nz](mailto:admin@nzif.org.nz), ph (04) 974 8421.



### LAND MANAGER, TIMBERLANDS, ROTORUA

Timberlands is a leading NZ owned and operated independent Forest Management Company with particular expertise in forest management and operations on a significant scale. The company manages 180,000 ha of pine plantations in the Central North Island on behalf of Kaingaroa Timberlands and other clients.

Applications are invited for the position of Land Manager based in Timberlands' offices in Rotorua. This position, reporting to the Technical Manager, will manage land-related issues on behalf of our clients including:

- Land rental reviews
- Land use management, including hand backs
- Landlord relationships.

Personal skills we are seeking are:

- Ability to build relationships and communicate well with a diverse range of people
- Professionalism and ability to manage pressure situations with diplomacy
- Proactive engagement to minimise risks
- Strong negotiation skills
- Excellent record keeping.

Serious consideration will be given to applicants with:

- A tertiary qualification in Forestry or other land-based fields
- 3-5 years of relevant land-based management experience



- Relevant commercial/legal qualifications and/or experience.

A position description is available from Timberlands' Human Resources Manager, Belinda Bird, tel +64 7 343 1080, email [belinda.bird@tll.co.nz](mailto:belinda.bird@tll.co.nz). Postal address: Timberlands Ltd, PO Box 1284, Rotorua. All enquiries or applications will be treated with the strictest of confidence.

**Closing date:** a letter of application with a CV should be submitted (by email or post) by 5:00 pm on Friday 27 April 2012. For further information visit the Timberlands website: [www.tll.co.nz](http://www.tll.co.nz)

### JOB VACANCY WEBSITES

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| Science jobs   | <a href="http://fusionz.rsnz.org/">fusionz.rsnz.org/</a>   |
| MAF  | <a href="http://careers.haines.co.nz/MAF/Pages/Vacancies.aspx">careers.haines.co.nz/MAF/Pages/Vacancies.aspx</a>   |
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| Australian Government                                    | <a href="http://jobsearch.gov.au/Login/Login.aspx?WHCode=0">jobsearch.gov.au/Login/Login.aspx?WHCode=0</a>   |
| Australia Department of Agriculture Fisheries & Forestry | <a href="http://www.daff.gov.au/about/jobs">www.daff.gov.au/about/jobs</a>   |
| FAO projects and professional vacancies                  | <a href="http://www.fao.org/employment/project-vacancies/en/">www.fao.org/employment/project-vacancies/en/</a><br><a href="http://www.fao.org/employment/empl-professionalvacancies/en/">www.fao.org/employment/empl-professionalvacancies/en/</a> |

### Italian forester seeks works

I am interested in working in NZ in the forest industry. I am a hard-working and enthusiastic recent graduate seeking a challenging position where my organisational, work experience and humility can make positive difference. I am employed as a Technician for Cooperative Society "Legno Servizi" (Wood Services) in Tolmezzo – Udine in Italy since July 2010 where I deal with the management of forest property, customers for the timber, and I qualify and measure of wood. For a full CV please email me. *Carlo Picotti* ([carlopicotti@hotmail.it](mailto:carlopicotti@hotmail.it))

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### PUBLICATIONS / MEDIA / NOTICES

#### TREES ON FARMS: EXPLORING HILL COUNTRY OPTIONS WORKSHOP

*26 April 2012, Tatham Property, 206 Mangaotaki Road, Piopio*

Following successful workshops in Gisborne and Hawke's Bay, the next Trees on Farms workshop will be held on the King Country property of Barrie and Jude Tatham, and will explore the role of trees in hill country farm management, particularly in marginal or less productive areas. Barrie and Jude own a 500 ha drystock farm near Piopio, which they operate in a share-farming arrangement with Kieran and Shona Bradley, running cattle, dairy grazers and sheep. The Tathams are previous Waikato Farm Environment Award winners, and their farm is notable for the diversity of species they have planted for nutrient buffering, stock shade and beautification.

Tree plantings on the farm include a mix of radiata pine and other exotic species, as well as natives. They have planted thousands of native trees in recent years and around 40 ha of land has been covenanted with the QEII National Trust. Pole planting has been used to stabilise potential slip areas, and with the help of Environment Waikato's Clean Streams initiative, the Tathams are also protecting areas alongside the Mangaotaki River.

Selected areas have been fenced off and planted with native species to protect the riverbank.

However the Tathams' property is dotted with rocky limestone outcrops and tomos. Where fencing off stream banks is not possible, they have focused on providing alternative water and stock shade away from streams. They have found this reduces the time stock spend in and around natural water and vulnerable gullies. Specifically designed by knowledgeable, experienced tree-planting farmers and AgFirst consultants to meet local needs, this unique workshop will look at trees as an integral part of the whole agribusiness, with particular emphasis on choosing the appropriate species in the context of:

- *Trees in the farm business*: How integrated land use strategies spread risk – and cash flow – and deliver both short-term and inter-generational benefits
- *Trees as a land management strategy*: Wise land use and “fit for purpose” planting – erosion control, riparian management and water quality, weed control, managing trouble spots and erosion, and protecting valuable soils
- *Trees for animal welfare*: Trees for shelter and fodder, managing waterways
- *Biodiversity*: Saving remnants of native bush (it's easy)
- *Trees and the ETS*: Improving forestry cash flow and planting to offset on-farm emissions.

The programme starts at 9:30 am and will finish at 3:30 pm. All participants will receive complimentary hand-outs and a DVD of farm videos and workshop proceedings. Lunch will be provided at a cost of \$10, with proceeds going to the Waitanguru & Districts Rural Women. For catering purposes please register by 20 April. For more information and to register contact Malcolm Mackenzie, (07) 873 7728, email [malcmac@ihug.co.nz](mailto:malcmac@ihug.co.nz).

The Trees on Farms workshops are being run as part of a three-year programme throughout NZ with support from the Sustainable Farming Fund. Upcoming workshops include Palmerston North (Pohangina Valley, 21 May), Wairarapa (Carterton, 23 May), Otaki (26 May), Taranaki (Inglewood, 6 June) and Waikato (Putaruru, 27 June). For more information about these workshops contact the project manager, Ian Nicholas, phone 07 348 5923, email [i.nicholas@clear.net.nz](mailto:i.nicholas@clear.net.nz)

### Programme

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| 9:30 – 9:55 am      | Coffee/mingle  |
| 10:00 am – 12:35 pm | Woolshed presentations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Funding marginal land options</li><li>• Videos of successful local farm foresters - Tatham, Cumberland &amp; Mackenzie</li><li>• Opportunities for natives and specialty timbers: species options including natives, eucalypt, cypress, redwood, pine</li><li>• Panel discussion</li></ul> |
| 12:35 pm:           | Lunch provided in woolshed   |
| 1:05 pm:            | Discussion in field (4 wheel drive suggested): <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Regional Council activities</li><li>• QEII opportunities</li><li>• Carbon opportunities</li><li>• Tree planting options</li></ul>   |
| 3:30 pm:            | Finish   |

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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.

### April 2012

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| Mon 23  | NZIF Workshop, Wellington, <a href="http://www.nzif.org.nz">www.nzif.org.nz</a>  |
| Thur 26 | Trees on Farms workshop, Piopio ( <a href="mailto:i.nicholas@clear.net.nz">i.nicholas@clear.net.nz</a> )                   |
| Fri 27  | <a href="#">Conducting Safe Investigations Seminar</a> , Christchurch  |
| Mon 30  | CFA Young Forester Award 2012 applications close, <a href="http://www.cfa-international.org">www.cfa-international.org</a> |

### May 2012

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| Tue 1   | <a href="#">Conducting Safe Investigations Seminar</a> , Auckland  |
| Thur 3  | NZIF Workshop, Balclutha, <a href="http://www.nzif.org.nz">www.nzif.org.nz</a>   |
| Fri 4   | NZIF Workshop, Christchurch, <a href="http://www.nzif.org.nz">www.nzif.org.nz</a>  |
| Fri 4   | Nominations close for NZIF Fellows<br>Nominations close for NZIF 2012 Forester of the Year<br>Nominations close for Chavasse Award<br>Nominations close for Student Scholarships |
| Thur 31 | FITEC National Training Awards nominations close, <a href="http://www.fitec.org.nz/awards">www.fitec.org.nz/awards</a>   |

### July 2012

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| Sun 1         | NZIF AGM, Christchurch  |
| Sun 1 – Wed 4 | NZIF Conference, Christchurch, <a href="http://www.nzifconference.co.nz">www.nzifconference.co.nz</a> |

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