



NEW ZEALAND
FARM FORESTRY
ASSOCIATION

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62nd ANNUAL NATIONAL CONFERENCE NELSON
Sunday 6th May – Wednesday 9th May 2018

Nelson – Autumn Splendour

Members of the Tasman Region, Nelson Farm Forestry Association welcome you to Nelson for the 62nd Annual National Conference. The conference will be based at the Tahuna Function Centre 70 Beach Road, Tahuna, Nelson.

Field trips are about growing trees for top quality speciality timbers. In the first week of May, we expect a vista of autumn splendour. Local foresters will ensure you have an enjoyable conference.

Conference Programme for 2018

First Day, Sunday May 6th

Afternoon: Registration opens (1pm) at Tahuna Function Centre which is 2.7k from the airport. Taxis available.

Accommodation check in: various locations.
Late Afternoon: 5:30pm Welcome, drinks and nibbles, sponsors presentations, fine wood-working display.

Evening: 7.00 Welcome dinner, Tahuna Function Centre (Limited to 200 seats)

Guest speaker Bevan Walker "Kayaking the spectacular Antarctic peninsula".

Special interest groups to arrange meetings on Sunday at the Tahuna Function Centre (Multiple rooms available)

Second Day, Monday May 7th

Morning: Meet at Tahuna Functions Centre NZFFA Council meeting followed by morning tea After morning tea we travel by bus to Bevan Walker's Tunnel Creek Evergreens (Husqvarna's Award winning forest 2016).

At Bevan's we will split the tour into 2 parts to view his beautiful gully plantings.

Section A: will include the blackwoods and redwoods

Section B: cypress, cedars, and liriodendrons.

Those choosing alternative tours will visit WOW – the World of Wearable Art & Classic Car Museum, and then on to Mapua Village Arts and Crafts.

Back to Tahuna Function Centre for drinks and canapes (Bar available) followed by the Husqvarna Awards Dinner.

Third Day, Tuesday May 8th

This day will commence at the Tahuna Function Centre starting with the AGM and then the business sessions.

At midday we travel south from Nelson through Wakefield to Pig Valley to visit Robert Appleton's Farm Forest. During lunch, Robert will explain the concept of his unique endeavour. After walking through his stunning arboretum we will board the buses back to town.

Today's Alternative Tour will take you on a gentle hike up to the Centre of NZ this will give you panoramic views over Nelson (Walking shoes advised).

This will be followed by a visit to the Suter Art Gallery (lunch can be purchased from the Café) and a stroll round the Queen's Gardens. Bus back to Tahuna.

Enjoy a free evening – take a stroll down Tahuna beach, or a waterfront walk. Enjoy a nice dinner at any of the local restaurants.

Fourth Day, Wednesday May 9th

Morning: Meet at Tahuna Function Centre Full day today – leaving Nelson EARLY at 8am. We will then travel to Golden Downs Forest to inspect the unique Douglas Fir trials. Bring your hard hats (required) and see the value in an old forest.

From there we will travel to the beautiful Lake Rotoiti for morning tea.

A scenic drive will take us to "Otiria" – Claire and Terry Gavin's Forest Farm on the Buller River flats.

Here you will have the opportunity of seeing cypresses, redwoods, poplars, maples, alders and other alternative productive timber species.

Patrick Milne will lead the discussion on cypresses.

After lunch we will tour the southern loop of the farm to see redwoods, maples, alders, poplars and more cypresses.

Registration Form

Conference Time Table

Arrival Day Sunday 6 May

(Tahuna Function Centre open from 9am for Special Interests Groups)

- 1:00 pm Registration opens at Tahuna Function Centre – Accommodation check-in
5:30pm Meet & mix: Tahuna Function Centre
7.00 pm Welcome dinner at Conference Centre
9:00 pm Bevan Walker's address – Kayaking in the spectacular Antarctic peninsula.

Day 2 Monday 7 May

- 8:30 am Council Meeting
10:30 am Morning tea
10:50 am Buses depart for Bevan Walker's Tunnel Creek Evergreens
11:35 am Bevan's Tour and lunch
4:30 pm Transport back to town
7:30 pm Husqvarna Awards Dinner

Day 3 Tuesday 8 May

(All meetings in Tahuna Function Centre)

- 8:00 am AGM and conference business
12:00 pm Buses depart for Pig Valley
12:45 pm Robert Appleton's Farm Forest (Lunch included). Introduction and Arboretum: Farm tour
4:00 pm Bus back to Tahuna Function Centre

Free evening

Day 4 Wednesday 9 May

- 8:30 am Transport to Golden Downs
09:15 am Visit Douglas Fir trial – hard hats please.
10:15 am Buses depart for Lake Rotoiti
10:45 am Morning Tea
11:15 am Transport to "Otiria" – Claire and Terry Gavin's Forest Farm
1:00 pm Picnic Lunch
2:00 pm Gavin's farm tour
4:00pm Bus to Nelson – Private vehicles depart for points south

Alternative Trips

Monday 7 May: 10:40 am Buses depart – return 12:40 (Self catering)



Mapua: 1:30 pm Buses depart – return 4:30
Travel through Waimea plains to unique village: Arts & crafts; Cafe's; Visit Siefrieds Estate winery.

Tuesday 8 May: 9:50 am Buses depart – return 3:00

Centre of New Zealand: A walk to view panoramic views of Nelson/Tasman Bay. Visit the new Suter Gallery and Queen's Garden's Cafe for lunch.

Conference Venue:

Tahuna Function Centre 70 Beach Road,
Tahuna, Nelson Phone 03 545 7857

Accommodation options:

Less than 5 to 10 mins walk from Function Centre.

The Tahuna Holiday Park is part of the Function Centre complex and offers Apartment motels, Classic Motels, Studio units and a "Park House" with accommodation for up to 9 people.

Rates range from \$110 for 2 guests to \$265 plus \$22 for extra person at the "Park House" (up to 9 guests).

tahunabeachholidaypark.co.nz

Other accommodation options close at hand include:

Arcadia Motel

36 Golf Road, Tahunanui.

Ph/fax 03 548 6791

arcadianelson.co.nz

Fountain Resort Motel

77 Green Street, Tahaunanui

Ph 03 548 5099

fountainresort.co.nz

Amber Court Motel

190 Annesbrook Drive Tahunanui

Ph 03 548 5059 (5 Min. drive)

ambercourtnelson.co.nz

Courtesy Court Motel

20-30 Golf Road, Tahunanui.

Ph. 03 548 5114

courtesycourt.co.nz

Ocean Lodge

33 Beach Road, Tahunanui.

Ph 03 548 5179.

oceanlodge.co.nz

Tudor Lodge

52 Tahunanui Drive

Ph 03 548 5061

Tuscany Gardens

80 Tahunanui Drive.

Ph 03 548 5522 (5 Min. drive)

The Sails Motel

7 Trafalgar Street,

Ph 03 546 6463

10 min. drive

Chelsea Park Motor Lodge

214 Rutherford Street

Ph. 03 546 6494

10 min. drive.

Many other options available.

Registration form

Section one:

Registrant Details

NZ Farm Forestry Association 62nd Annual Conference 2018 Nelson

- Sunday 6 May to Wednesday 9 May 2018
- Please use a separate Registration form for each person attending (Photocopies acceptable)
- Additional copies may be requested from the Registrar or downloaded from the NZFFA website www.nzffa.org.nz/conference/conference-2018
- You need to read all the information before completing the form
- Amounts are in NZ dollars and include GST
- You can register online with your credit card at www.nzffa.org.nz/conference/conference-2018

Detach this page and forward with payment to:
NZFFA Nelson Conference 2018
P O Box 588
Nelson 7040

To contact Registrar:
Claire Gavin
phone: 03 548 0338 mobile: 022 6545 123
email: nelson2018@nzffa.org.nz

Full Registration for the Main Conference GST Inc. \$415

A late entry fee of \$50 will be charged on registrations paid after 31 March

Full Registration for Conference includes:
Conference literature and tote bag
Plastic Poncho
Wooden Spoon
Tree Seedling
Nelson Maps and tourist brochures

Tick Boxes for special interest groups you wish to attend:

- AMIGO
- Cypress Action Group
- Eucalypt Action Group
- Farm Forestry Timber
- Forest Investor's Action Group
- Indigenous Forest Section
- Sequoia Action Group

Title First Name Last Name

Postal Address

Phone Mobile Name for badge

email

Special requirements – Dietary/Medical
(Gluten free / Vegetarian/Diabetic)
Other

Where Staying Contact phone

Partner (If attending) (Must register separately)

Emergency Contact Phone (day) (A/H)

Is this your first conference? YES / NO

Your contact details will be printed in the Conference Proceedings unless you tick NO

