



New Zealand Farm Forestry Association  
Oranga Rākau Aotearoa

## New Zealand Farm Forestry Association

### 65<sup>th</sup> annual conference

30 March to 3 April 2023 Timaru

“The new normal. Opportunity or threat?”

*The members of the South Canterbury branch welcome you to the 2023 annual conference. Please return this completed registration form promptly or use the version on the website.*

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## Conference programme

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### Thursday 30 March Action Group Meetings

This is a full day set aside for the Action Groups to meet with an hour and a quarter available for each group throughout the day. This style was first introduced in 2019 and successfully repeated in 2020. The evening will be free for time to catch-up with old friends.

### Friday 31 March AGM, Councillor meeting and workshops

The Council meeting and AGM will be held in the morning. After lunch we will have the workshop presentations. There will be a number of speakers that will address a number of topics under our broad theme of “The new normal. Opportunity or threat.” The first half of the presentations will focus on carbon and implications of the ETS for farm foresters. The second half will focus on the National Environmental Standards for forestry and practical ways to apply them.

In the evening we will have the opening dinner.

### Saturday 1 April - Local farm forestry fieldtrips

This day has been set aside for local farm forestry visits. The first visit will be to Alpine, a 1030 ha property, just west of Timaru. Although run as a traditional beef and sheep farm, it has 90 ha of trees of which 70 ha are registered in the ETS. The visit will include some ‘Woolshed talks’ that will focus on farming sustainably within the constraints of current regulations.

After lunch the buses will take us to Gladwyn, a 400 ha beef and sheep property with 25 ha of forestry. Here we will hear some talks on early versus optimum harvest regimes, advantages of having your own sawmill and ideas on how trees fit into the landscape.

The day will conclude back in Timaru with the Awards Dinner.

### Sunday 2 April – Mackenzie Basin trip

Prepare for an early day as we visit the iconic Mackenzie Basin. Our first stop will be to Balmoral Station. This is a 9,700 ha property that has 450 ha of a new low-spread exotic species of trees. These are used both as a carbon sink and as production forestry resource to provide an extra revenue stream. We will also visit the dryland forestry research site and have talks on the place of trees in the high country, consent issues, wilding spread and carbon potential.

Our second stop will be to Mt Cook Station (featured on Country Calendar recently). There will be a drive around the property on an internal road with a stop that includes a short walk. We have a variety of speakers lined up that will talk about several topics including how wilding trees fit into the ETS and the costs of eradicating wildings.

We will travel back to Tekapo for a dinner followed by the trip back to Timaru.

### Monday 3 April – Geraldine trip

On our last day we will travel to Geraldine. On our way we will visit Flaxburn, a 146 ha dairy farm to see how riparian plantings have been utilised to improve water quality.

Next stop is the Port Blakely Ltd forest at Te Moana. As part of the tour we will observe a harvesting operation, hear about chipping and wood for fuel, as well as how SNA’s/NES-PF regulations impact on forestry.

The closing dinner will be held at the stunning Hilton View.

# Conference timetable 30 March to 3 April 2023

## Day 1 Thursday 30 March

### Action Group Meetings (to be held in Sopheze Tearooms)

- 8:45 to 10:00 am.....Eucalypt Action Group
- 10.00 to 11.15 am.....Cypress Action Group
- 11.15 to 12.30 pm.....Indigenous Forest Group
- 12.30 to 1.15 pm.....Lunch
- 1.15 to 2.30 pm.....Sequoia Action Group
- 2.30 to 3.45 pm..... Acacia Interest Group
- 3.45 to 5.00 pm.....Oak Action Group
- 5.00 to 6.15 pm.....Farm Forestry Timbers

Evening free for everyone to socialise

## Day 2 Friday 31 March – Meetings and workshops (to be held in Caroline Bay Hall)

- 8.00 to 10.00 am.....Councillor's Meeting
- 10.00 to 10.30 am..... Morning tea
- 10.30 to 12.00 noon..... AGM
- 12.00 to 12.50 pm.....Lunch
- 12.50 to 1.00 pm..... Conference opening
- 1.00 to 4.30 pm.....Workshops
- 7 pm.....Opening Dinner

## Day 3 Saturday 1 April – Local field trips

- 8.00 am..... Depart for field day
- 9.00 to 12.30 pm..... Visit to Alpine
- 12.30 to 1.15 pm.....Lunch
- 2.00 to 3.30 pm..... Visit to Gladwyn
- 7.00 pm..... Awards Dinner

## Day 4 Sunday 2 April – Mackenzie Basin

- 7:30 am.....Depart for Mackenzie Basin
- 9.30 am to 12.00 pm..... Visit to Balmoral Station (including lunch)
- 1.15 pm to 4 pm.....Mt Cook Station
- 5 pm to 8 pm..... Dinner in Tekapo and travel back to Timaru

The airport is approximately 4 km north of Timaru. It is advised to use a taxi to get into town.

**Timaru Taxis:** 03 688 8899

## Day 5 Monday 3 April – Geraldine

- 8.00 am.....Depart for Orari
- 9.00 to 10.00 am.....Visit to Flaxburn
- 10.30 to 2.00 pm.....Visit to Port Blakely Ltd Forest
- 5.00 to 9.00 pm .....Closing dinner

### Some suggested accommodation:

- Aaron Court Motel, 27 Evans Street. Phone 03 688 0079
- Bay City Motor Lodge, 10-14 Evans Street. Phone: 0800 229 248
- Baywatch Motor Lodge, 7 Evans Street. Phone 03 6881886
- Bay Viaduct Motor Lodge, Cnr Main Hwy and Wai-iti Rd. Phone: 03 686 6338
- Comfort Hotel Benvenue, 16/22 Evans Street. Phone 03 6884049
- Homestead Lodge Motel, 28 Evans Street. Phone 03-684 5193
- Harbour View Motel, 8 Evans Street. Phone 0800 686 681
- Parklands Motor Lodge, 65 - 67 Evans Street. Phone 03 688 4108
- Panorama Motor Lodge, 52 The Bay Hill. Phone: 03 688 0097

### Transport

Private cars will not normally be allowed on the field trips.

### Registration

Ideally well before Friday 17 March 2023.

### Cancellations

All cancellations are required in writing, by email is fine, before 24 March 2023. A refund will be processed less a \$70 administration fee. Cancellations after this date will not normally be refunded.

### Covid-19 cancellation

The conference may have to be cancelled or postponed due to Covid restrictions. A refund process will be considered which will be similar to the cancellations for the 2019 Invercargill conference.

### Registrars:

Vicky and Andrew Steven, Phone: 03 6861752  
Email: [avsteven@xtra.co.nz](mailto:avsteven@xtra.co.nz) Postal address: 494 Rolling Ridges Rd, Rosewill 5 RD Timaru

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## Registration Form

### Registration information

- Please use a separate form for each person - a photocopy is acceptable.
- Additional copies can be downloaded from the NZFFA website [www.nzffa.org.nz](http://www.nzffa.org.nz)
- You can book online using the form from the website.
- It is important that you can read all of the information before completing the form.
- Amounts are in New Zealand dollars and include GST.

Detach this page and post to: **Registrars: Vicky and Andrew Steven, 494 Rolling Ridges Rd,**

**Rosewill, 5 RD Timaru**

**Phone: 03 686 1752 (Mobile: 027 6861752)**

**Email: [avsteven@xtra.co.nz](mailto:avsteven@xtra.co.nz)**

SECTION ONE REGISTRATION DETAILS (one form per person)		Please print clearly
Title:	First name:	Surname:
Address:		
City/town postcode:	Branch:	Mobile phone:
Landline phone:	Email	
Name badge preferred name	First name:	Surname:
Partners name (if attending)	First name:	Surname:
Accommodation in Timaru	Name:	Phone:
Special requirements	Dietary:	Other:
Emergency contact	Name:	Phone number:
Arrival	Day:	
Departure	Day:	

Tick if this is your first NZFFA Conference

Tick if you DO NOT wish your details to be printed in  
the Conference handbook



# Registering your attendance at the 2023 conference

Please tick the relevant boxes as it will help us with catering and transport

Thursday 30 March 2023	
Action Groups	Tick box if attending
Eucalypt Action Group	
Cypress Action Group	
Indigenous Forestry Section	
Sequoia Action Group	
Acacia Melanoxylon Interest Group	
Oak Action Group	
Farm Forestry Timbers	

Friday 31 March 2023	
Meetings and sessions	Tick box if attending
Councillor's meeting	
Annual General Meeting	
Afternoon workshops	
Opening drinks and dinner	

Calculating your fees - all of which include GST	
Full registration fee	\$650
Full conference registration includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conference material and bag</li> <li>• Thursday – Action group meetings and lunch</li> <li>• Friday – meetings, teas, lunch and dinner</li> <li>• Saturday – field trip, teas, lunch and Awards dinner</li> <li>• Sunday – field trip, teas, lunch and dinner</li> <li>• Monday – fieldtrip, teas, lunch and dinner</li> </ul>	
<b>TOTAL FOR CONFERENCE</b>	<b>\$</b>

Saturday 1 April 2023	
Activity	Tick box if attending
Local farm forestry Field trip	
Awards Dinner	

Sunday 2 April 2023	
Mackenzie Basin field visit (including lunch and dinner)	

Monday 3 April 2023	
Geraldine field visit (including lunch)	
Closing dinner Hilton View	

For day registration per person complete the relevant boxes		
Thursday meetings and lunch	\$50	
Friday – All day meetings, seminars and lunch	\$60	
Opening dinner	\$100	
Saturday – field trip (includes teas and lunch)	\$75	
Awards dinner	\$120	
Sunday – fieldtrip (includes teas, lunch and dinner)	\$130	
Monday – fieldtrip (includes teas, lunch and closing dinner)	\$130	
Conference material and bag	\$20	
<b>TOTAL FOR DAY REGISTRATION</b>	<b>\$</b>	

Options for payment. Either register and pay online or use the methods below:	
A) <b>Direct credit</b> to South Canterbury NZFFA Conference Account number: 03-0887-0241808-000 Please make sure your surname is shown as a reference for payment identification.	
B) <b>Credit card:</b> Visa / Mastercard are the only ones acceptable	
Card number:	Expiry date:
Name on the card:	Signature:
GST Number for Conference: 076-367-043	