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PRESIDENT'S COMMENT

Andrew McEwen FNZIF
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NZIF's big week for 2012

The first week of July is upon us. We kick off with two workshops, the AGM and a networking function this Sunday in Christchurch, followed by two days of conference and the field trip on Wednesday.

The organising committee has put a huge effort into bringing this superb event to NZIF members and others, and even before the conference starts we all owe them a huge debt of gratitude for what they have done.

I understand that 180-200 people will be attending some or all of the conference. There is a great line-up of speakers I checked with the conference organisers today. They may still be able to squeeze a few people in to some parts of the conference (day registration, workshops, field trip etc.) Might be a bit more difficult for the

dinner but worth a try if you can make it.

There are couple of side events arranged. The women in forestry special interest group are meeting at 4:45 pm on Tuesday evening in the forestry school common room. It is not necessary to be registered for the conference to attend this, so if you qualify (i.e. are female) and in Christchurch on Tuesday, why not turn up and discuss common interests.

NZIF Fellows' Committee members John Galbraith and Russell Dale are keen to catch up with Honorary Members and Fellows during the conference. They expect to be at the AGM on Sunday and will be trying to arrange a time to meet. If you are an Honorary Member or Fellow and in Christchurch, but not attending the conference, contact them on 0274 458 839 (John) or 0274 938 061 (Russell) to find out details of when they might meet in case you can join them.

I look forward to seeing many of you during the week. Travel safe to get to Christchurch.

AGM

Yesterday you should have received a motion to amend the motion to replace the Articles of Association and today you will have received the financial statements for the year to 31 March 2012. You should now have everything that the Council has intended to send you for the AGM except the Annual Report, which we hope to get out later today or tomorrow morning. Yes it all amounts to a bit of (electronic) paper, but there are some important issues to discuss. I understand over 60 members have already indicated that they expect to attend, so it could be a lively meeting. All the documents should also be on the NZIF website (you will need to log-in to the Members' Area and look for Annual General Meeting Documents to access them). The conference networking function takes place after the AGM.

Rules roadshow

The last of the presentations on the proposed rules took place in Wellington this week, with around 20 members turning out on Tuesday evening. Over the seven presentations I met up with around 90 NZIF members (and one potential member, who at four months old seemed happier to sleep than join in the discussion). It was a pleasure to meet up with so many members who were keen to participate in this debate.

Conference guest speaker in Wellington

Some of us in Wellington were privileged last night to hear one of the conference keynote speakers, Canadian architect Jim Taggart, whose speciality is the role of wood in contemporary architecture. We had a good turnout of NZIF members, architects and students assemble at the School of Architecture in Wellington at a joint NZ Institute of Architects/NZIF meeting. Those of you in Auckland next Thursday should try and catch his presentation and encourage others (particularly architects, designers and engineers) to attend (details under Auckland Section).

Donations to NZIF Foundation

This week NZIF members received an invitation to make donations to the NZIF Foundation. Please consider this very worthwhile appeal as a way to demonstrate your support for education in and about forestry in New Zealand. No donation is too small.

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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.)

Voting at the AGM

Wade Cornell MNZIF, Auckland

We have witnessed Council's determination to upgrade and "professionalise" our organisation; a move I am in favour of. Much work has gone into revamping our basic documents. A last minute rush around the country intended to give us an idea of what these changes are about. In the Auckland section's review, several issues were raised and only briefly discussed, as the President's impetus was to get through the whole presentation.

The idea was floated by the President when confronted with these issues for us to simply vote yes at the AGM to all changes, then the Council would at some time in the future reconsider any issues that were contentious. On the surface this seems an interesting idea that allows for the bulk of uncontroversial changes to be passed. However it still eliminates the opportunity for members across regions to discuss and debate the merits of contentious proposals. Any approval can easily put those issues on the back burner until another AGM or allows them to be forgotten in the shuffle of other business. More importantly, the President's proposed "approval with provisions" could be taken as giving the Council the authority to amend.

It is not the fault of the membership that these proposals have reached us so late, and that there has been no time for discussion and debate among members across regions. The AGM is the time and place for those issues to be discussed, amended, and (if possible) passed. The membership needs and deserves the right to hear pertinent points of view and objections, rather than allowing the Council to retire and reconsider those issues in isolation from the membership. There are prudent reasons why democratic organisations only empower members to make fundamental changes.

An issue raised concerns the provision for the Council to appoint a committee who will investigate and render findings in cases where an Ethics Complaint has been received. A distinctive feature of the best democratic institutions is that they separate their executive functions and personnel from the investigative and judiciary. I think we all understand why this is an important principle.

It was proposed at the Auckland meeting that the Institute could instead have a body of member volunteer/adjudicators who would be picked randomly by a third party, such as the School of Forestry, that "holds the hat with the names". This would give us a group of peers who could call in specialists as necessary. The President (correctly) reminded us that the current system has the Executive/Council as the body that investigates ethics issues.

In my opinion, if we are being asked to revamp this organisation, we should not be carrying forward mistakes and limited aspirations. The proposed changes should not be approved in any form without a distinct separation between the Executive/Council and the investigative/judiciary. The AGM is the time and place at which this and other issues should be debated, amended, and if possible passed.

Towards a New Zealand Institute of Registered Foresters

Euan Mason MNZIF, Christchurch

Members will have noticed that on Sunday we'll be asked to vote on a giant motion that would substantially change the nature of our Institute.

Compiling a large number of changes, many of which are unrelated, into a giant motion is fundamentally

undemocratic. Many of us may like some changes and not others, yet we have been asked to vote on them collectively. This ensures that many changes will receive far less scrutiny than they should, and violates a principle that the default position should be “no change” on any one issue. Chairmen who use casting votes are expected to preserve the status quo in order to defer contentious changes for further discussion. Lumping large, diverse changes into one motion means that contentious changes will be subsumed and the default position is that they will pass along with other less contentious and desirable changes. Proponents will argue that we have the opportunity to propose amendments to the motion, but this position is disingenuous; instead of requiring a contentious change to attract a proposer and seconder in the meeting, effectively such changes become the default position, and proposers and seconds are required to return to the status quo.

There is much that is good in the proposed changes. For instance, our complaints procedure has long been a morass of complex rules, and we should welcome the proposed simplification.

Some items are contentious, and will lead to fundamental changes that we may or may not like. These should be listed as individual motions. A glaring example is the change to our objects. Our current objects have been relegated to the last three bullet points, and four (somewhat overlapping) objects have been placed in front of them. It seems obvious that maintaining and improving standards (point 1) is the only new item. The next three points are variations on that theme. The desired effect, one suspects, is to emphasise “maintaining and improving standards” at the expense of representing the profession, acting as an independent advocate, and serving members through exchanges of views and fraternity. This item should be a separate motion.

Another gem is the change from “Full member” to “Ordinary member”. One presumes that the aim here is to make you, a Full member, feel a little inadequate about your status in the Institute. Even though your rights and privileges haven’t changed one iota, the change of name is meant to suggest that you should strive for registered status. This is Orwellian. In our new Institute all animals are equal, but registered animals are more equal than others. This should be a separate motion.

Proposed changes to powers of the Council, particularly the new ability to raise fees without consulting members, require separate motions. The argument here is that timing of fee setting and collection makes things awkward if expenses change. Surely the solution is to change the timing, and maybe make better expense projections. So far the response to this concern is that “other organisations do it”, which is inadequate given that other solutions exist that do not reduce the democratic nature of our Institute.

If the motion is put then I urge you to vote against it on the grounds that, while it contains some good changes, the process is fundamentally wrong. We can always extract the good changes later and pass them as separate motions.

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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

One-day NZIF conference rates

The organising committee is very excited about the programme being offered at the NZIF AGM and

Conference on 1 to 4 July. There have been a number of inquiries to members of the committee about the availability of one-day registration rates for the conference. The committee is concerned that potential attendees may miss out on hearing the particular presentations of interest to them because they cannot attend the full conference. The committee is able to confirm that one-day attendance rates are available. The rates are not available on the online registration page but are by contacting the conference managers (EventMergers.) Please email Marie Brierley (marie@eventmergers.co.nz), (09) 428 4783, mobile 027 424 0406, or fax (09) 428 4786.

Revised conference brochure

The organising committee has updated the 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.

Pre- and post-conference events

Keynote speaker to talk in Auckland

Keynote speaker and Canadian Architect Jim Taggart will make an evening presentation in Auckland on Thursday 5 July. This will be a joint NZIF/Institute of Architects meetings. See Auckland Section for more details.

What if New Zealand was fully greenhouse gas neutral?

Time: Wednesday 4 July, 6:30 to 8:00 pm
Venue: The Undercroft, under the University of Canterbury Library
Speaker: Associate Professor Euan Mason

Conference sponsors

Thank you to all sponsors for your support of our conference and of the NZIF. Without your help it would be very difficult for NZIF to run a conference like this at a price that delegates could afford.

Conference registrations

Registrations have formally closed, but the organisers may still be able to squeeze in a few late comers. Contact the conference organisers (try Carlene on 027 295 4309) or come along to the venue and check at the registration desk.

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NZIF BUSINESS

Notice of Annual General Meeting

The 84th Annual General Meeting of the New Zealand Institute of Forestry will be held in Room F3 at the Forestry School University of Canterbury, Ilam Campus, Christchurch on Sunday 1 July starting at 3:30 pm.

Agenda

1. Welcome
2. Apologies
3. Obituaries
4. Confirmation of minutes of 2011 Annual General Meeting
5. Matters arising
6. NZIF Annual Report and Financial Statements
 - 6.1 Annual Report
 - 6.2 Financial Statements for year ended 31 March 2011
 - 6.3 Financial statements for year ended 31 March 2012
 - 6.4 Budget for year commencing 1 April 2012
 - 6.5 Auditor
7. Motion to replace NZIF Articles of Association and to amend NZIF Code of Ethics
8. Motion to set membership fees
9. Motion to elect NZIF Fellows
10. General business.

David Evison, Secretary

The following documents relate to the agenda. They have or will be emailed to you prior to the AGM and are or will be placed in the members' area on the NZIF website. Please bring a copy to the meeting.

- Item 4: Minutes of 2011 AGM
- Item 6.1: NZIF Annual Report for the year to 31 March 2012
- Item 6.2: Financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2011
- Item 6.3: Financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2012
- Item 6.4: Budget for the year commencing 1 April 2012
- Item 6.5: Council decision not to appoint an auditor
- Item 7: Motion to replace NZIF Articles of Association and amend Code of Ethics
- Item 7: Motion to amend motion to replace Articles of Association
- Item 8: Motion to set membership fees
- Item 9: Motion to elect NZIF Fellows.

From the Registrar

Registration applications

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

First advertised 8 June (note date wrongly advertised last week)

- Mr **Alistair Deakin** of Rotorua.

First advertised 15 June

- Mr **Damian Byrne** of Blenheim.

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 of the notice in this Newsletter, specifying the grounds of the objection.

NZ Journal of Forestry proposal

Proposals are requested to:

Edit the Journal

and/or:

Lay out, print and distribute the Journal

- to members and others on the distribution list
- four issues per year, 48 pages full colour, with a typical print run of 1200 copies.

How to apply: more detailed documentation is available for those interested in submitting a proposal from davidevison@canterbury.ac.nz

Interested parties should submit (by 30 June 2012): A detailed proposal for production and distribution of the NZ Journal of Forestry, from November 2012, for two years in the first instance. Please specify processes that you will use to ensure the accuracy of copy and quality of the Journal presentation. In addition we require:

1. A resume outlining experience.
2. Detailed costs.

3. Estimates of potential revenue from advertising.
4. Examples of previous work.
5. References.

Five Registered Members still to complete annual requirements

It is disappointing that the Registrar/Administrator are still chasing five members who have still to complete the requirements to maintain their registration for 2012/13. You know who you are – you have been receiving weekly email reminders. So please get on to it. Remember that if you have not completed your obligations and have not received your certificate you are not entitled to present yourself as a forestry consultant and you are not entitled to call yourself a Registered Member, a Registered Forester or a Registered Forestry Consultant.

You can't vote at the AGM if you haven't paid your subs

You cannot vote at the AGM if you haven't paid your 2012/13 subs – if you want to have your say, make sure you are paid up.

Thank you to those members who have paid their membership subs this week. But we still have outstanding membership fees for around 150 members. You have all received invoices and follow-up statements, so no excuse for saying you haven't received it. Please meet your obligations to your professional association. If you have any questions about your status have a look in your membership database dashboard through the website. Contact the Administrator (email admin@nzif.org.nz or ph (04) 974 8421) if you have any queries. 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.

Lost student members

We seem to have lost contact with the following student members. Can anyone help us to reconnect and encourage them to continue their association with NZIF? Please contact the administrator (admin@nzif.org.nz):

Amaravathi	Kiran	Nimmo	Jeremy
Bolaqace	Alivereti	Rai	Chandra
Carter	Chris	Sewell	Adam
Chand	Narendra	Singh	Dalvir
Dawson	Gavin	Te Rauna	Claude
Dodson	Jaydee	Van Leeuwen	Brock
Kameta	Eddie	Yadav	Bhagwan
Lasini	Tania	Yates	Hayden
Ma	Yinlong		

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NZIF FOUNDATION

NZIF Foundation is now a registered charity and donations qualify for tax rebate

The NZIF Foundation is now a registered charity and it has “donee status” with the IRD which means that donations to it may qualify for a tax credit.

Foundation Establishment Appeal

The Trustees have launched a “Foundation Establishment Appeal” and encourage all NZIF members to make donations (and non-NZIF members to donate as well). The donation will help build the capital of the Foundation to enable it to become the significant supporter of forestry education and research in NZ. The purpose of the Foundation is the advancement of education in relation to forestry. This 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.

Four levels of donor will be recognised under individual and corporate categories:

	Individual Donor	Corporate Donor
Kauri Donor	\$10,000 or more	\$25,000 or more
Totara Donor	\$5,000 to \$9,999	\$15,000 to \$24,999
Rimu Donor	\$2,000 to \$4,999	\$10,000 to \$14,999
Donor	Less than \$2,000	Less than \$10,000

Donations will be listed on the Foundation website under the various categories (donors will be named unless they ask for anonymity). Donations may be made by:

- Posting a cheque to the Foundation at the address below;
- Making a direct deposit into the Foundation’s bank account 02-1269-0014573-00. Please make sure you include your name in the details and email foundation@nzif.org.nz advising the donation has been made, so we can send an acknowledgement and receipt;
- Sending credit card details to the Administrator. Please supply credit card number, expiry date, name on the card and the three digit security number on the back. Details can be posted or emailed to the Foundation at the address below.

Foundation contacts:

Post: NZIF Foundation, PO Box 10-513, The Terrace, Wellington 6143

Email: foundation@nzif.org.nz

Phone: (04) 974 8421

Website: [Click here](#)

Enquiries regarding the Foundation can be directed to the NZIF Foundation Administrator (foundation@nzif.org.nz) or to the Chair of the Trustees (Andrew McEwen, am.mcewen@xtra.co.nz).

Appeal progress:

Progress with the appeal will be announced from time-to-time. It currently stands at \$7,900 in addition to the \$85,000 from NZIF funds.

Tax status:

If you make a donation to a donee organisation, generally you can claim a tax credit (formerly rebate) for the donation. Companies (including certain societies) and Māori authorities can claim a deduction for donations they make to these organisations. The Foundation will issue receipts to donors (this may be done at the end of the financial year (31 March) rather than as soon as a donation is received).

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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).

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LOCAL SECTIONS

SNI SECTION

Topic: Realising the Opportunities for Biofuels and Bioproducts at Farm Forestry Scale
Speaker: Peter Morgan
Venue: Johnsonville Club, Wednesday 11 July at 7:30 pm

Members of the NZIF are invited to join with the Wellington Branch of the NZFFA for a topical talk followed by drinks and refreshments. Peter Morgan is a Whitemans Valley farm forester and newly appointed convener of the Bioenergy Interest Group, the NZFFA's latest action group. He has been developing ideas and technology for pelletising wood on his own property, and recently spent two days in Rotorua with some of the big players in the 'bio-whatever' arena.

Peter is keen to work with other farm foresters to develop not just technology, but also business structures to enable farm foresters to reap commercial gain from converting wood to biofuels. He will update us on 'big picture' developments, and his ideas on the opportunities for smaller players in this rapidly developing sector.

Directions - the Johnsonville Club is located at the top of Norman Lane, which runs off Johnsonville Road directly opposite the Post Office. Parking may be limited at the club and it is suggested that visitors park nearby in Johnsonville and then walk up Norman Lane. If you wish to have a meal first in the club's restaurant (at own cost) then arrive by 6:30 pm.

Please RSVP to James Barton jpbarton@xtra.co.nz by Friday 6 July if you plan to attend so that he can compile a list of guests for the club. If planning on having a meal at the club first please also let James know.

CNI SECTION

Upcoming event

The next date for the CNI region:

- **14 August 2012:** Annual Dinner Event, TBA information.

Local member assistance needed

We'd like to have any names of people who would like to help with our local section. Karina Bohle has retired as local secretary, and this space is available immediately. I would also be willing to move aside for some new enthusiasm to push regular meetings along. The management of the local section has been significantly simplified by the national body recently with the focus of the chairman and secretary positions concentrating only on arranging local member events, with all administration tasks now managed by the national office.

Event suggestions

Increase your professional development by suggesting topics and speakers for workshops in our local region. We welcome all feedback.

Kind regards, *David Herries*, CNI Local Section Chair, 021 435 623, Office (07) 345 7573 ext 721.

AUCKLAND SECTION

'Toward a Culture of Wood Architecture': A Presentation by Canadian Architect Jim Taggart

Date: 5:30 pm, Thursday 5 July 2012

Venue: NZIA D72 Building, Suite 1-5, 72 Dominion Road, Mt Eden, Auckland

ASIF, in association with the NZ Institute of Architects has arranged a presentation by NZIF conference guest speaker and Canadian architect Jim Taggart. He is visiting NZ as a keynote speaker at the conference in Christchurch. The conference is titled 'Engineering Value: Growing & Harvesting Forests for Novel Wood Structures'. One of the themes of the conference is Engineered – Wood Products – Building the Future of Forestry.

Until recently, building design in NZ mostly overlooked wood as anything beyond a decorative feature or a residential framing material. However, developments in engineered wood products are changing this view, with a generation of building designs moving away from the concept of 'controlled failure' to 'damage avoidance' during a devastating event. Overseas, multi-storey engineered-wood buildings are on the rise, while here in NZ three companies are leading the way in engineered wood products, competing with concrete and steel in multi-storey, long-span and insulated, pre-fabricated building design. The conference will highlight the latest developments in engineered wood products, and what future requirements of the wood processing industry may be.

Jim Taggart teaches history and theory in the architectural science degree programme at the British Columbia Institute of Technology and is the editor of *Sustainable Architecture and Building* magazine. He has also delivered more than 80 professional development seminars on behalf of the Canadian Wood Council in North America.

Please tell your friends and come along to what promises to be an extremely interesting evening. For catering purposes, please RSVP to philip.elworthy@rayonier.com.

CANTERBURY SECTION

What if New Zealand was fully greenhouse gas neutral?

Time: Wednesday 4 July, 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm

Venue: The Undercroft, under the University of Canterbury Library

Speaker: Associate Professor Euan Mason

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PACIFIC FORESTRY SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP

Policy Advisor for Solomons

UNDP is looking to recruit an international Policy Advisor for the UN-REDD Programme in the Solomon Islands (http://www.undp.org.fj/images/stories/2012/Vaca2012/advert-soi_un-redd.pdf).

Wallis and Futuna forestry team to be assisted by SPC

Friday June 1st, Secretariat of the Pacific Community (SPC), Suva – ‘We are very grateful to SPC for facilitating our visit to Fiji,’ said David Devynck, a forest engineer with the Wallis and Futuna State Department who, with Taifisi Folituu, a sawmill owner from Wallis, visited Fiji for assistance with the development of their forestry sector, in particular the timber industry.

The two men were in Fiji from 21–26 May and visited staff of SPC’s Land Resources Division (LRD), Fiji’s Forestry Department and various forestry enterprises around Viti Levu, including saw millers, timber exporters and timber value-adding companies, learning more about timber treatment and visual identification of timber species to ensure that they import only species that can withstand the conditions in Wallis and Futuna.

Wallis and Futuna have problems with invasive species such as *Falcataria moluccana* and they requested LRD for assistance in this area, especially in the mapping of the affected areas. Other areas of support required include the provision of seeds of selected timber tree species, an inventory of their pine plantations, and assistance in improving timber utilisation, especially in the areas of timber processing and treatment.

‘This trip has given us some ideas about what should be best for us in terms of improving timber processing and sustainable management of our forest resources,’ Devynck said.

Inoke Ratukalou, Acting Director of LRD, said that he was pleased to meet the members of the delegation, as it was an opportunity to enhance closer collaboration between SPC and Wallis and Futuna.

‘Such collaboration is not only beneficial to Wallis and Futuna; it also allows us to learn from their experiences and serve other member countries better.’

Devynck said that the visit was very interesting and a huge learning experience for him and his colleague. ‘There are many similarities between our forestry sector and Fiji’s, and I believe we will learn a lot from each other if we work together. We have seen that Fiji’s Forestry Department is well established and we hope to learn a lot from them in our future collaboration, especially with training of some of our nationals at the Timber Industry Training Centre.’

He added that it is always easy to work with other countries in the region through SPC as it is in good position to guide them.

The weeklong trip was facilitated by the LRD’s forestry team and supported by Fiji’s Forestry Department.

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STUDENT’S SECTION

Future Forests Fellowship (University of British Columbia)

As one of the world’s top forestry schools, UBC Forestry – through the generous support of a private foundation – is honoured to offer the Future Forests Fellowship, the most prestigious forestry graduate award available at any Canadian University and the largest single grant for a forestry student globally. The Fellowship will enable an outstanding graduate student to undertake doctoral research focused on British Columbia (BC) in one of the following areas of excellence for the Faculty: forest products biotechnology/bioenergy; business operations and management; forest genetics/forest genomics; below-ground ecology; river and landscape ecology; climate change and advanced landscape planning; and forest management.

The Fellowship will pay \$60,000 per annum for three years, with an additional fourth year if required. This will allow the student to devote her or his time purely to pursuing excellence in research and community outreach in

the field of forestry in BC. The research must be conducted, at least in part, in BC and should result in an outcome that has practical application in BC. Canadian and international students are eligible to apply.

To be considered for a Future Forests Fellowship, you must: be seeking financial support to pursue your first doctoral degree; intend to pursue full-time doctoral studies beginning May 2013, September 2013 or January 2014 at the Faculty of Forestry at UBC; have achieved a first-class average, as determined by your university, in each of the past two years of full-time study or equivalent; not have already received a doctoral-level scholarship or fellowship from the Canadian Government or the University of British Columbia to undertake a doctoral degree; and not be a current Faculty of Forestry doctoral student.

[Click here](#) for the application and additional details. Application deadline: **1 November 2012**. All application documents must be submitted to: Dan Naidu, Coordinator of Graduate Awards & Scholarships, University of British Columbia, Faculty of Forestry 2604 – 2424 Main Mall Vancouver, BC Canada V6T 1Z4, ph: 604-822-6177 fax: 604-822-8645, email: dan.naidu@ubc.ca.

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RESOURCE MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS MANAGER, NEW FORESTS ASIA (SINGAPORE) PTE LTD



New Forests Asia (Singapore) Pte Ltd is expanding its team based in Asia to manage a developing portfolio of forest business assets.

The Resource Management Systems Manager (RMS Manager) will support the Asian Portfolio Managers in the evaluation/due diligence and operational management for our Asian investments. The position will specifically take a lead role in developing resource descriptions and management information systems within the portfolio companies.

Our aim is to have the incumbent based in Singapore with a requirement for extensive travel within tropical Asia. New Forests Asia (Singapore) is seeking the following qualifications and experience for this position:

- Degree level in forestry or closely associated discipline ideally with additional relevant post-graduate study
- Forest asset valuation, feasibility studies and due diligence
- Technical forest estate modelling using software such as Woodstock, Tiger Moth or FOLPI and advanced use of MS Excel and databases

- Development of forest asset resource descriptions
- Proficient in the use of GIS software and ideally experience in remote sensing in the development of resource descriptions
- Carbon modelling.

The ideal candidate will also have had experience working in tropical Asian forestry and will have some Asian language skills such as Malay, Indonesian, Vietnamese or Mandarin/Cantonese. Apply by sending your resume and covering letter to the Director, New Forests Asia (Singapore), Paul Speed, at pspeed@newforests.com.au.
Closing date: 15 August 2012.

About New Forests

New Forests manages over US\$1.25bn in investments in sustainable forestry and associated environmental markets, such as carbon, biodiversity and water, for institutional and other qualified wholesale investors. The company is headquartered in Sydney, Australia with offices in San Francisco and Singapore (www.newforests.com.au).

POLICY ADVISOR FOR SOLOMONS

UNDP is looking to recruit an international policy advisor for the UN-REDD Programme in the Solomon Islands (http://www.undp.org.fj/images/stories/2012/Vaca2012/advert-soi_un-redd.pdf).

HARVEST LOGISTICS CO-ORDINATOR, PF OLSEN, ROTORUA



We are seeking a motivated individual to join our Sales and Operational Planning Team. The SOP team's responsibilities include production scheduling, distribution planning, performance measurement, analysis, and reporting. The Harvest Logistics Co-ordinator will assist the SOP Manager in the planning and management of a complex forest supply chain.

This role would suit either a Forestry or Supply Chain Management graduate, and/or someone with relevant practical experience in a production environment. Sound computing and analytical skills (especially MS Excel), a basic understanding of supply chain management and attention to detail are required.

The successful applicant will be based in Rotorua and report to the Regional Harvesting Manager. The salary offered will reflect qualifications and experience. We also offer an attractive employee benefits package. Apply by sending your CV with a covering letter to: Regional Harvesting Manager, P O Box 1127, Rotorua. Ph:(07) 921 7203, email info@pfolsen.com. **Closing date: 20 July 2012.**

SEEKING JOB WITHIN THE FIELD OF SEED SEEKING JOB WITHIN THE FIELD OF SEED SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

I am an ex-student of Lincoln University, having graduated with a Post Graduate Diploma in Applied Science (Seed Science & Technology). I am seeking employment within this field. *Alex Agiwa*, BSFM, PGD Apl.Sci. Email: aagiwa@bul.pngfa.gov.pg

FRENCH STUDENT SEEKS INTERNSHIP

Would you be willing to consider my request for an internship period (September 2012 to February 2013)? Not only would this be an opportunity to gain professional experience, but it would also enable me to improve my command of the English language. At the present time, I am pursuing my first year of higher education (undergraduate, three years after the 12th grade) at AGROCAMPUS OUEST (<http://www.agrocampus-ouest.fr/>), an institution which trains students in the field of Agronomy. It is a French "Grande École" where you can go only after competitive exams, very selective.

Within the context of our studies, we are required to carry out a five-month training period. I found this a great opportunity to do it in NZ where forests are a crucial point in the country. Thanks to the courses I am taking and to those I have taken the last few years, I have a basic but good knowledge of agronomic industries, forests (physiology, competition) and I would like to improve on these fields.

Moreover, my few professional experiences in arrangement of the green spaces, in Nice (France) involve me in a work of comprehension of the plants. I would like to be a trainee by your side, especially in the field of Indigenous Forestry. Furthermore, I am not used to work in labs all day long, and I was wondering if you had days on the field outside. If there is any additional information you would like to know, please do not hesitate to contact me by e-mail. *Damien Leonard*, dleonard@agrocampus-ouest.fr

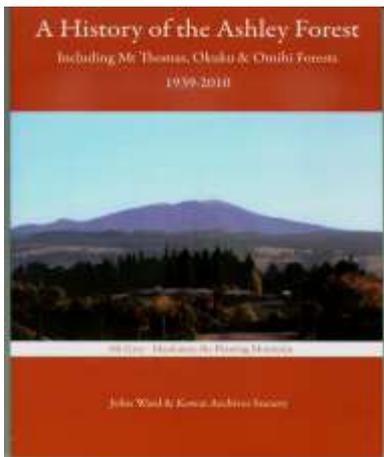
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Department of Conservation	www.doc.govt.nz/about-doc/jobs-at-doc/current-vacancies/
Australian Government	jobsearch.gov.au/Login/Login.aspx?WHCode=0
Australia Department of Agriculture Fisheries & Forestry	www.daff.gov.au/about/jobs

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PUBLICATIONS / MEDIA / NOTICES

A HISTORY OF THE ASHLEY FOREST



A History of the Ashley Forest written by John Ward & Kowai Archives Society. Easily read for information and pleasure with 230 pages of text and 180 photos. Black & white and colour. Price \$35.00 + postage \$5.00. Purchase from Kowai Archives Society, 15b Rickton Place, Rangiora 7400. Phone (03) 313 3220 or email jaaviswil@slingshot.co.nz

NZ JOURNAL OF FORESTRY PROPOSAL

Proposals are requested to:

Edit the Journal

and/or:

Lay out, print and distribute the Journal

- to members and others on the distribution list
- four issues per year, 48 pages full colour, with a typical print run of 1200 copies.

How to apply: more detailed documentation is available for those interested in submitting a proposal from davideverson@canterbury.ac.nz

Interested parties should submit (by 30 June 2012): A detailed proposal for production and distribution of the NZ Journal of Forestry, from November 2012, for two years in the first instance. Please specify processes that you will use to ensure the accuracy of copy and quality of the Journal presentation. In addition we require:

6. A resume outlining experience.
7. Detailed costs.
8. Estimates of potential revenue from advertising.
9. Examples of previous work.
10. References.

PRESS RELEASE: FORESTRY SECTOR GUIDE TO SAFETY LAUNCHED IN NZ

The thriving forestry industry in NZ presents an attractive career path for workers. However, like many jobs in the resource sector, forestry workplaces are rife with potential risks and hazards. In association with the Log Transport Safety Council NZ, Pro-Visual Publishing's release of the inaugural edition of the *Forestry Sector Guide to Safety* aims to address these issues and provide workers with the information they need to keep their workplaces safe and productive. The guide has been distributed at no cost to the recipients and additional

copies are available upon request.

The content of the guide puts focus on the NZ Log Transport Safety Accord between the NZ Forest Owners Association, the Road Transport Forum NZ, the Log Transport Safety Council and the NZ Farm Forestry Association. The objective of the Accord is to improve the safety of road users by reducing the incidence of log truck accidents on public and private roads.

Due to the pattern of incidents that suggests that trailer lifting is a significant and ongoing hazard to employees, the *Forestry Sector Guide to Safety* also features an extensive list of guidelines, outlining the practical steps employers and their staff must adhere to in order to ensure their safety. In addition to providing a description of different lifting methods and operations, the guide also contains information on maintenance of lifting equipment, a description of the responsibilities for truck drivers and a helpful set of diagrams outlining weight vs different chain arrangements.

“I would like to thank all of the sponsors for their support of the *Forestry Sector Guide to Safety 2012/13*. Through their support, they have made it possible for the guide to be distributed at no cost to forestry, milling and logging contractors throughout NZ”, said John Hutchings, CEO, Pro-Visual Publishing. Recipients of the guide are also provided with the opportunity to enter a competition in which the best entry wins a \$5,000 holiday voucher (see terms and conditions). Additional copies are available on request (see contact details below).

Pro-Visual Publishing is the leading specialist in wall mounted workplace health & safety, food safety & hygiene and health and wellbeing information resource charts. Each chart is practical and informative, providing a quick reference point in a highly visible format. Pro-Visual Publishing’s charts are designed to inform, motivate, educate and above all keep people, their workplaces and their environments safe! For further information, or to obtain additional copies of the chart, please call +61 2 8272 2611, email enquiries@provisual.co.nz or visit www.provisual.co.nz

CARBON FORESTRY 2012 IS HERE

Forestry has been an essential component of NZ’s Emissions Trading Scheme (ETS) since the very beginning. Forestry is this country’s largest potential carbon sink, and as the ETS continues to grow in importance to NZ businesses, so does its investment future.

Last year over 250 forestry and finance business leaders came together for Carbon Forestry 2011, the first event of its type focused on carbon forestry and carbon trading opportunities. While 2011 set the scene, much has already changed. There is a raft of new legislation, a dramatic drop-off in carbon trading and pricing during late 2011 and early 2012, the banning of some international emissions units and uncertainty surrounding the future alignment of New Zealand and Australia’s trading schemes.

This has led to significant uncertainty in the marketplace. The immediate future and opportunities that exist in carbon forestry is being readdressed. Carbon Forestry 2012 has been designed with key NZ forestry companies and Maori landowners along with NZ, Australian and international carbon traders, brokers and financial companies.

Carbon Forestry 2012 runs in Auckland on 22-23 August 2012. The programme, which can now be downloaded off the event [website](#), will provide an essential update for all involved in carbon forestry’s future and for both the financial and forestry industries in this part of the world.

Remember, NZIF members receive a special 10% discount off the advertised conference registration rates. Early-bird registrations are also available and close on Friday 20 July.

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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.

June 2012

Fri 29 Trees on Farms workshop, Putaruru, Waikato, j.ksimmons@paradise.net.nz

July 2012

Sun 1 NZIF AGM, Christchurch

Sun 1 – Wed 4 NZIF Conference, Christchurch, www.nzifconference.co.nz

Wed 4 What if New Zealand was fully greenhouse gas neutral? From 6:30 to 8:00 pm at the Undercroft, under the University of Canterbury Library. Speaker: Associate Professor Euan Mason.

Thur 5 July Auckland Section, NZIF conference keynote speaker Jim Taggart, philip.elworthy@rayonier.com

August 2012

Tue 14 CNI Section, Annual Dinner Event, TBA

Wed 22 – Thur 23 Carbon Forestry, Auckland, [website here](#)

October 2012

Fri 19 – Sun 21 Ex-New Zealand Forest Service workers – Westland get together, keenanr@kinect.co.nz

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