

# Forestry student wins scholarship

*School of Forestry News - Canterbury University*

Canterbury University forestry science scholar, Jemma Simon-Stewart, received the congratulations of Prime Minister John Key and cheque for \$6,000 Parliament's Grand Hall in Wellington. Jemma was among 37 students from throughout New Zealand awarded Freemasons scholarships.

Political interest in biobanking and biodiversity has heightened Jemma Simon-Stewart's interest in studying these topics for her Masters in Forestry Science degree at the University of Canterbury.

She is to explore the application of biobanking as a model for biodiversity conservation on private land in New Zealand. Whether it is for big business, private landowners, individuals or community groups, Jemma will investigate systems where income can be generated from biodiversity credits. She will conduct a comparative study and look at international



*Jemma Simon-Stewart*

programmes with a view to making recommendations and developing policy for introduction in New Zealand.

Jemma, from Mt Pleasant in Christchurch, is likely to do a PhD and eventually pursue a career in ecological consulting, making a positive contribution to a more sustainable world.

While at university she has mentored new students helping them make the transition to university life and has continued her schooldays involvement in street collecting for a number of charities.



*Jemma and Prime Minister John Key at the presentation.*

## Registration Applications

Application to become a Registered Member has been received and approved:

James Treadwell of Auckland

Applications to become a Registered Members have been received and are being evaluated:

Kerry Ellem of Christchurch

David Janett of Christchurch

### Registration Reviews

Five yearly reviews have been completed and continuing Registration approved for:

Harold Heath of Wanaka

Alan Bell of Wellington

Martin Watson of Gisborne

Craig Fisher of Rotorua

Peter Keach of Rotorua

Ian Moore of Wanganui