



EASTLAND WOOD COUNCIL

NEWSLETTER

Forestry for Life

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Welcome, Kia Ora.....

Winter has finally hit and everything getting a little wet under foot.

Have had a full few months, firstly preparing for the Eastland Wood Council Forestry Awards which attracted another record crowd of just under 500 at the Farmers Air Showground Event Centre. Had the launch of NZIER Economic Impact Report which was funded by NZFOA giving a national overview of the impact of forestry on the economy, read more on pg 2. Funding has been successful from Tairāwhiti Roads and Gisborne District Council to facilitate a pilot based around Trucks, Roads & People so we will be rolling out a campaign through the paper & radio on health & safety, career promotion and public awareness of trucks on our roads.

Jeff Fleury is here again on June 15, Thursday to put on a Truck Roll-Over Prevention workshop, last time we attracted 200 drivers so those that missed out, register your interest with me asap.

Our first industry video was launched at the Awards evening with great feedback – Petri Dish to Ship. We are working on a second video which will be based on Careers and Roles in the Industry. Check out our face book for the link to the You Tube Video link.

www.facebook.com/www.eastlandwood.co.nz/

Make sure you go and LIKE our FB Page, we are using it more and More for general updated.

Stay warm if possible dry!
Prue Younger, CEO



Skilled Professional of the Year 2017



Brian Deam was lost for words when he heard his name announced as the Eastland Wood Council Skilled Forestry Professional of the Year but everyone was in agreement that it was a well-deserved accolade for a man that commands mana, is a true stand out and his dedication, skill, knowledge and experience, gathered over decades in the industry, speaks volumes. He is highly regarded by all, he is the one who always comes up with a solution – nothing is impossible. **Brian Deam, Big Bark Loading . . . congratulations you are Eastland Wood Council Skilled Forestry Professional of the Year 2017**

Other companies that featured in the awards line included: Blackstump Logging, Hikurangi Forest Farms, Diack Contracting, Raywood Contractors, STS Transport, TKT Limited, Down n Out Logging, Kimberly Contractors, Turanga Ararau. WELL DONE

Coming soon: A brand new qualification for Forestry Earthworks

It's an exciting time for forestry in the region. Business is booming, with activity set to double in the next few years. Thousands of kilometres of new roading will need to be cut, and competent, qualified people will be crucial in ensuring the work gets done, on time, within budget and safely. That's where Connexis comes in and Grant Radovanovich, Connexis Customer Service Account Manager for Hawke's Bay, Taupo, Gisborne and the East Coast.

As the Industry Training Organisation for the Horizontal-Built Infrastructure Industries (Civil (incorporating Forestry Earthworks), Energy, Telco, and the 3 Waters) we offer a range of flexible qualifications, which can be tailored to the needs of your business and staff. In the last year alone we have helped more than 2,600 people from around New Zealand to grow their skills and get qualified. Our qualifications are developed by industry, for industry, and blend relevant theory with real world practice. They are generally achieved on-job, and will equip your staff with the skills they need to do the job right first time. My role is to support you and your staff through every step of your training journey, from the initial skills needs analysis, through to qualification completion and beyond. I visit all of my customers every 6 weeks to ensure trainees are on track, and am always just a phone call away.

To stay up to date with developments, keep an eye out on the Connexis website:
www.connexis.org.nz or email me to register your interest:
grantr@connexis.org.nz



What is Myrtle Rust?

In early May Myrtle Rust was confirmed in a plant nursery in Kerikeri. Since then it has been found in New Plymouth and Taranaki. MPI are the lead agent for the response with support from DOC and other government agencies.

The list of infected plants includes Pohutukawa, Eucalyptus and Manuka.

Myrtle rust is a serious fungal disease that affects plants in the myrtle family.



Read More.....

<http://www.mpi.govt.nz/protection-and-response/responding/alerts/myrtle-rust/>

NZIER Statistics

Plantation forestry and logging make a strong direct contribution to the New Zealand economy in fact greater than the GDP contribution of the sheepmeat and wool sector by over 20%

The contribution to Gisborne and the surrounding area amounts to \$96 million, nearly 5.5% of that region's GDP.

The plantation forestry sector accounts for 3.2 percent of all employment in Gisborne. Forestry production is hugely important for many regional economies. It injects \$262 million into the Gisborne regional economy. Read the full report on our website.

2017 DANA NZ Forest — Wood Products CONFERENCE & FIELD TRIP

21 & 22 August 2017 | Novotel Lakeside | Rotorua

FEATURING:

6 sessions on International & NZ Forestry Trends.

1 panel session featuring 5 NZ Political Party Forestry Spokespersons.

3 NZ Cabinet Ministers, *presentating on Trade, Economic Development, Transport & the Forestry Sector.*

7 Field Trip site visits *including three Sawmills, the world's largest Dairy Factory, plus other interesting stops.*



International Forest
Industry Advisors

Register at: www.danaevents.co.nz/2017rotorua or contact Julie Bell: admin@dana.co.nz

ISS Staff Take the Limelight

We would like to welcome to the team at ISS, Barb Dockley. She takes up the role as Registered Nurse, working alongside Reece and Glenda at the office and out on work sites. A big congratulations to Glenda Tollison, Registered Nurse and Occupational Health Nurse Manager at ISS, for graduating recently with a Post Graduate Diploma in Business (Occupational Safety and Health) at Massey University. Fabulous effort!!!

Integrated Safety Solutions Ltd are the contracted compliance management and occupational health specialist company to the Eastland Wood Council, providing practical value added services to businesses with a focus on workplace health compliance, safety and the well being of their workers.



Barb



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“Think outside the box - we offer more than you know”.

Eastland Wood Council Drug & Alcohol Register

EWC maintain a register of people who have tested positive for drugs in member company operations. All contractors should check with their principal before taking on any new employees that they are not on the register. When someone does test positive, the principal needs to be notified as well and the name put on the register. This is to stop “teepee-hopping” and people can continue to work after a first positive test, as long as they have treatment and a follow up testing programme. People who test positive a second time will not be allowed to work in an EWC member forest for two years.

We encourage you to support this policy so that our whole industry backs up our drive to have**DRUG FREE FORESTS**.....

The members of the Eastland Wood Council includes:



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Watch for the next publications in the Gisborne Herald, last Wednesday of each month – contact them if you are keen to support with advertising.

JUNE 2017 Regional Economic Impact

JULY 2017 Processing

AUGUST 2017 Science and Technology

SEPTEMBER 2017 Environment

OCTOBER 2017 Forest Managers & Woodlots

NOVEMBER 2017 Training & Careers

DECEMBER 2017 – No publication until Jan 2018



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