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Seasons Greetings !



The staff at Woodnet - Stuart and Elaine, Stephanie, Wendy, Colin, Margaret, Joaquin, Peter, Harriet and Phil - would like to wish all our clients and business associates a wonderful Christmas and relaxing holiday. We appreciate your business and support and look forward to continuing our relationship with you in 2017.

Our office will be closed from 5pm on Thursday 23rd December and will re-open on Monday 9th January. There will be someone in the office periodically during this time to respond to messages (if urgent).

Woodnet Staff Update

We would like to welcome **Joaquin Gomez Penate** and **Chris Ladd** to the Woodnet team.

Joaquin originates from Spain and comes with a Bachelor of Agricultural Engineering. He worked on tree sampling and GIS projects in Africa before coming to NZ to further his forestry career. Joaquin is assisting with our ever increasing number of GIS mapping projects and is also becoming a proficient forestry inventory technician.

Chris will join the team in early 2017 as a forester/inventory manager. He has extensive primary industry consulting and management experience including

a tertiary qualification majoring in Agriculture and Forestry. Chris will initially be running our inventory team and programme and is expected to branch out into other aspects of the business in the future.

In November this year we also said goodbye to **Simon** and **Patrick** who left Woodnet to pursue other career opportunities - we wish them both all the best with their new endeavours and like many of you, have enjoyed working with them.

Log Price Update (Indicative)

Log Grade	2015 Q1	2015 Q2	2015 Q3	2015 Q4	2016 Q1	2016 Q2	2016 Q3	2016 Q4
A	\$ 107	\$ 87	\$ 88	\$ 114	\$ 126	\$ 125	\$ 112	\$ 124
K	\$ 99	\$ 81	\$ 79	\$ 106	\$ 117	\$ 118	\$ 103	\$ 118
KI	\$ 93	\$ 72	\$ 66	\$ 96	\$ 106	\$ 106	\$ 93	\$ 105
KIS	\$ 83	\$ 63	\$ 62	\$ 86	\$ 99	\$ 100	\$ 88	\$ 100
S	\$ 95	\$ 92	\$ 93	\$ 95	\$ 99	\$ 105	\$ 108	\$ 111
Pruned	\$ 155	\$ 159	\$ 172	\$ 183	\$ 195	\$ 188	\$ 166	\$ 169
Composite	\$ 105	\$ 92	\$ 93	\$ 113	\$ 124	\$ 124	\$ 112	\$ 121

Average quarterly log prices at Mill / Wharf Gate SNI

The above table reflects the three month average log price by grade for each 'quarter' for the last two years.

Log prices have held well for forest growers for all of 2016 without the normal cyclical drop in the second and third quarters of the year. We believe this reflects a combination of savings in shipping costs/exchange rates more than high US dollar prices paid at export destinations. Irrespective of the reason, the world economy (providing cheap ships and fuel) doesn't appear to be improving in a hurry so **as long as demand continues** and cost savings remain there is a reasonable expectation that the above may continue.

Carbon Price Update

You can **sell** NZUs this week for around **\$16.95**.
You can **buy** NZUs this week for around **\$17.10**.

Planting



Woodnet was involved in planting 533,000 trees this year, made up of a mixture of mānuka, pinus radiata, and other species.

We have a great team of professional planting crews available and will be cementing our establishment schedule in early 2017.

Give us a call or email if we can help you this coming year.

Trees on Farms - Tree Planting Guides



With good planning and design, trees create a pleasant, diverse and interesting place in which to live and work.

Check out these excellent tree planting information guides available on the Dairy NZ website that Woodnet helped develop.

[Trees on Farms - Tree Planting Guides](#)

NZETR Account Details

A reminder that it is important to keep your contact details up to date if you are an account operator on a NZETR account. If you do not have a valid email address recorded with EPA then your status may be "suspended" which will result in delays when you need to access your account.

Afforestation Grant Scheme 2017



The dates for the 2017 funding round of the AGS have been confirmed. **The round will open on 13 March 2017 and close on 27 April.**

[Find out more about the AGS.](#)

Contact the team at Woodnet if you would like us to assist you with your application.

FORESTS FOR SALE

Stuart is now able to assist with forest and mānuka land sales/purchases through a contractual association with Baker & Associates Land & Leasing Ltd, Licensed Agent (REAA 2008). Contact Stuart on 027 444 2669 if you are interested in finding out more about any of the following properties.

[Forest of Tane](#) - Wellington

36.8 Ha – Includes 20.2 Ha of Pinus radiata (ready for harvest) and a rare lifestyle opportunity on the edge of the city

[Papahaua Forest](#) (Forestry Right) - Raetihi

475.3 Ha Pinus radiata (planted 1995-2003)

[J.A.J.E. Forest](#) - Wairarapa

9.441 Ha – Includes 8 Ha of Pinus radiata (planted 1993-95)

[Horoeka Forest](#) - Wairarapa

116.69 Ha Pinus radiata (planted 1994-1996)
1.76 Ha Douglas fir (planted 1970)

[Moeraki Forest](#) (Forestry Right) - Wairarapa

64.74 Ha Pinus radiata (planted 1991-1995)

MPI Sustainable Forestry Bulletins



Click on the links below to access the latest forestry news from MPI:

November 2016 Bulletin

- » End of the mandatory emissions return period.
- » Offsetting pre-1990 forest land.
- » Amended forestry sector regulations.
- » ETS review update.
- » Paris Agreement ratified.

December 2016 Bulletin

- » End of the mandatory emissions return period.
- » FMA measurement reminder.
- » Afforestation Grant Scheme moves ahead.
- » Updated FMA standards.
- » Updated forestry sector regulations.

Woodnet's Mānuka Services



We can review the financial and practical implications of mānuka as a marginal land use, including:

- Identify and map mānuka resources.
- Assist with landowner/beekeeper negotiations and contracts.
- Help with the long-term lease or sale of mānuka land.
- Test the quality of mānuka on your land.
- Assess the suitability of land for mānuka.
- Manage mānuka establishment and enhancement.
- Arrange seed collection and seedling production.

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