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## Living in the Covid World



### New Zealand Cold Storage Association National 88th Conference and Exhibition

August 15th - 17th 2021

Intercontinental Hotel, Wellington

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The theme of this year's conference is "Living in the Covid World". We will be covering a range of topics, addressing the key issues as a result of Covid and the challenges we all face. Because of last years' cancellation this is one conference you won't want to miss as we tackle the many shared problems of Covid and ongoing supply difficulties.


Adjacent to Wellington's waterfront, Intercontinental Wellington is the most centrally-located and experienced five star hotel in New Zealand's capital city. Take a short walk through the heart of the city to experience all the delights on offer.

Full registration for all three days (Sunday 15- 17 August) ensures you experience all the conference has to offer and includes attendance at all conference presentations, activities and the Special Welcome Dinner with a Las Vegas theme, and our Gala Dinner.

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Because of the generous support from Crown we have been able to include a WETA workshop tour in our Monday afternoon activities.

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The link will expire on 15th June. Rooms are subject to availability at all times so it is important to book earlier rather than later to receive the conference rates.

The link below will direct you to the Intercontinental web page, negotiated rates are only applicable during the contracted dates, bookings outside this date will receive an error and need to book direct through the hotel website not on the link.

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## Executive Committee Vacancies

As we approach the August AGM it is now a good time to consider your role in the Cold Storage industry. Would you like to become more involved? If so, we would love to hear from you. Contact Jack or Bruce with your interest or any questions.

## The need for water storage

We have water in abundance. A series of reports from Berl (Business Economics and Research Ltd) make the abundance clear: New Zealand has about twice the quantity of freshwater on its area than United Kingdom, and about four times that of China and the United States of America.

On average, New Zealand receives about twenty times the volume of freshwater per square kilometre of area than does 'unlucky' Australia

and over 24 times the amount of water per person than France, for instance.

While the article shows we are also amongst the highest global users of household water this article points out it is not lack of water that could restrain our future use. The problem is uneven distribution over the country and during the year - and the fact that we don't store during periods of excess.

## Coolpak Coolstores Expands Rolleston Facility

The existing 16,000 sqm temperature-controlled facility located at Detroit Drive in Rolleston currently services an array of exporters for their chilled and frozen storage along with blast freezing requirements. With many of Coolpaks' customers experiencing growth in their businesses, Coolpak is further expanding their site with an additional 2,200 sqm cold storage facility. By expanding the site and bringing in the expertise of TMX they will be able to continue creating greater efficiencies for their customers.



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## Auckland ship congestion affecting Port of Tauranga

The Port of Tauranga is NZ's largest port and international freight gateway. At this point in time it is experiencing congestion with sometimes more than ten ships waiting to enter Tauranga Harbour to unload and pick up cargo.



Some of the ships have come to Tauranga due to ongoing delays in

Auckland, Tauranga has been operating at close to capacity since September last year due to problems and severe congestion at Ports of Auckland.

## Exporters welcome shipping relief

New Zealand's exporters received some welcome relief from congested shipping services this week, with a record 5326 containers loaded aboard on a vessel at the Port of Tauranga. Usually, the service collects 2000-2500 containers from Tauranga, but Maersk allocated more space to New Zealand exporters. On Monday, Maersk Shams loaded 2826 extra (20-foot equivalent) containers, of which 1914 were refrigerated. Relief is also on its way for South Island exporters and ports, with two extra services calling next month to reduce port congestion.



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## Government report shows need for urgent protection of land for food production

Horticulture New Zealand is calling on the Government to act urgently to protect highly productive land for food production.

“The Ministry for the Environment’s ‘Our land 2021’ report shows that between 2002 and 2019, 54 percent of highly productive land was lost to housing while cities and towns have sprawled by about a third,” says HortNZ Chief Executive, Mike Chapman.

“This situation simply isn’t good enough, considering that the primary production sector is the backbone of the New Zealand economy and only 15 percent of land is suitable for

food production. The Government must act now to retain remaining highly productive land. Once houses have been built on it, that soil is lost forever.

“In August 2019, the Government launched its draft National Policy Statement on Highly Productive Land. Since then, no final decisions have been made, there has been no progress when clearly - as this Government report shows - there is an issue, which has the potential to compromise New Zealand’s ability to feed itself, fresh healthy food. But the house building continues.

## Emirates SkyCargo supports NZ food export leadership during pandemic

During the pandemic, as global supply chains were disrupted due to the



suspension of passenger flights, Emirates SkyCargo provided much needed air cargo connectivity through its cargo only passenger freighter flights to Auckland and Christchurch.

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This facilitated the export of food, produce and other commodities, helping New Zealand retain its position as one of the global leaders in exports of premium food and produce. Currently, the air cargo carrier offers cargo capacity on six flights a week from Auckland and one flight a week from Christchurch connecting New Zealand to other markets in the region as well as the rest of the world through Dubai.

## Primary sector exports defy challenges

Despite major challenges, New Zealand primary sector exports held up well in 2020. And it's not just dairy products leaving our ports in droves - beef, apples, kiwifruit, wine and sheep meat are also being shipped out. While export revenue

does not necessarily equate to profitability, but it can be a useful barometer.

- Wine exports to February 2021 were 4% higher than a year earlier.
- Sheep meat exports topped \$3.8 billion. This is a historically high level, although 3% lower than in the previous year.
- Kiwifruit continues to go from strength to strength, with exports nearing \$2.7 billion in the year to February 2021, a hefty 18% higher than a year earlier.
- Beef exports have seen 34% cumulative increase in the three years prior to that.
- Apple exports pushed above \$900 million, up nearly 6% on a year earlier. However, things are looking dire for apple growers this season: poor weather and labour shortages could drop export volumes by 14%.



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## Covid-related challenges to plague supply chains in 2021

Organizations can expect regulatory changes, food fraud, and the ongoing effects of Covid-19 to fuel supply chain risks in 2021, [according to a report](#) from London-based standards and supply chain intelligence firm BSI. Although the Covid-19 pandemic is easing in many parts of the world, the report reveals that lingering effects from the crisis will continue to pose risks and challenges to companies everywhere.

The report notes, several new challenges that may arise as a consequence of Covid, including increased regulation of supply chains and forced labor. Legislative measures passed in 2020 will have among the largest effects, particularly those aimed at increasing sustainable sourcing and improving supply chain security. Companies will have to scrutinize the supply chain for susceptibility to labour

violations, for example, as a number of governments made a concerted effort to address that issue last year. Sustainable sourcing, deforestation, and cargo and port security are other key issues, according to the report.

“Given the significant level of global food shortages, BSI found that the risk of food fraud is on the rise,” the authors wrote. “Specifically, alcohol and tobacco products saw a global increase in thefts and counterfeiting, given their increasing value and related shortages, as consumption rose while people were in lockdown.” Food safety also is a concern; the BSI report found that the pandemic affected government capacity to enforce food safety regulations in many areas, meaning that some foods may not have been checked as thoroughly as they should have been.

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## Supporting the UK and EU FTA negotiations

Agriculture and Trade Minister Damien O'Connor is off to Europe soon to try and breathe some life into free trade talks between NZ and the UK, and NZ and the European Union. He will be the first New Zealand cabinet minister to head to the northern hemisphere since the start of the Covid-19 pandemic.

While NZ is engaged in talks with both the UK and EU, the parties are dealing with what could be described as the easy bits of the agreements and have yet to lock horns on the real issue of concern to NZ - access for our primary exports. The EU's Ambassador to NZ, Nina Obermaier, believes that after 10 rounds of negotiation negotiators from both sides are very optimistic that a high quality agreement will be arrived at in the not too distant future, but declined to be more precise because any FTA has to be finally approved by the 27 individual states that make up the European Union.

In past negotiations of this type, and in a non-Covid environment, NZ politicians and officials would have been heading to Europe on a regular basis, building relationships and lobbying potential supporters. The challenge for Damien O'Connor will be to effectively move into political speed dating mode and make his time count to get a satisfactory outcome on the FTAs - especially for agriculture.

## Accept A Small Sustainability Challenge with Plastic Free July

Join Plastic Free July next month. It's a world-wide campaign spanning 177 countries focusing on reducing our use of single-use plastics with easy, simple swaps. It is easy to make a difference so please sign the pledge and participate.

### Here's three easy steps

1. Sign up for the July campaign <http://bit.ly/pfjaa>. Follow on Facebook <http://bit.ly/pfjaf>

and Instagram <http://bit.ly/pfjia> for inspiration, updates, competitions and education

2. Participate during July and beyond. It can be as simple as using a bar of soap. Your own coffee cup. Buying items in glass jars instead of plastic. Making or baking instead of buying plastic wrapped food.
3. Spread the word amongst colleagues, whānau, friends, employees and anyone else you can think of! There is a significant amount of support material available for home and office - contact [debbie@debbiespeaks.com](mailto:debbie@debbiespeaks.com) for logos, posters, case studies, swap ideas, stories and more.

### Jack's CORNER



As you get older and witness on a daily basis the many problems facing the world today it is very easy to sit back and think back to the "good old days" much to the amusement of the younger part of the family. Then I read the following article and I knew that I had been right all along:

**"Kelp, maggots and mycoprotein must be mass-farmed to combat malnutrition"**

Researchers at the University of Cambridge say our future global food supply cannot be safeguarded by traditional approaches to improving food production. The researchers say that global malnutrition could be eradicated by farming foods including spirulina, chlorella, larvae of insects such as the house fly, mycoprotein (protein derived from fungi), and macro-algae such as sugar kelp. The production of these 'future foods' in controlled environments could change the way food systems operate.



*Oh for my bacon and eggs on a Sunday morning!!*







# New Zealand Cold Storage Association Inc

## CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

### Intercontinental Conference Centre, Wellington

### Sunday 15 – Tuesday 17 August 2021

Main Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Partners Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Names given will be shown on name tags)

Organisation: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name(s) of additional Attendees (for name tags) \_\_\_\_\_

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#### Full Registration (All 3 Days) Includes:

- Attendance at all sessions
- Access to exhibition area
- Welcome Dinner
- Conference programme and satchel
- Morning teas, lunch, afternoon teas
- Gala dinner

<b>Members</b>	<b>\$575.00</b>		Quantity _____	\$Total _____
<b>Non Members</b>	<b>\$675.00</b>		Quantity _____	\$Total _____
<b>Partners</b>	<b>\$300.00</b>		Quantity _____	\$Total _____

#### Day Registration Includes:

- Attendance at all sessions
- Access to exhibition area
- Conference programme and satchel
- Morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea

<b>Sunday 15th Members</b>	<b>\$225.00</b>	<b>Non Members</b>	<b>\$250.00</b>	Quantity _____	\$Total _____
<b>Monday 16th Members</b>	<b>\$225.00</b>	<b>Non Members</b>	<b>\$250.00</b>	Quantity _____	\$Total _____
<b>Tuesday 17th Members</b>	<b>\$225.00</b>	<b>Non Members</b>	<b>\$250.00</b>	Quantity _____	\$Total _____

#### Social Functions

Golf Tournament 9 hole Green Fees	\$50.00	Quantity _____	\$Total _____
WETA Workshop Tour	\$50.00	Quantity _____	\$Total _____
Beer Tasting	\$50.00	Quantity _____	\$Total _____
WelcomeDinner	\$110.00	Quantity _____	\$Total _____
Gala Dinner	\$140.00	Quantity _____	\$Total _____

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