



Series 5, 2022

FOOD PRODUCTION, THE FUTURE

Organised by Reese Hart

Members attending the meeting must wear a mask.

U3A lectures are for members only.

We regret we're unable to welcome visitors to our lectures – to do so would be unfair to those on the waiting list.

4 July The Hemp Industry in NZ *Brad Lake*
 Seeded by Brad Lake, rural bank manager in the region at the time, the idea to grow this emerging crop in North Canterbury was driven by a desire to offer local farmers a profitable and sustainable diversification option. Brad is a co-founder of hemp growers and processors The Brothers Green.

11 July Regenerative agriculture - an agronomist's view *Professor Derrick Moot*
 Recently media and political attention has focussed on "Regenerative agriculture" as a way forward to "fix farming". The proponents of this approach focus on the need to improve soil health and reduce our reliance on industrialised farming for future food production. This talk will examine the origins of the regenerative philosophy and its relevance in a New Zealand context separating the science from the hype surrounding this latest fashion.

18 July Land use challenges - dairy, meat, forestry and climate change in a world that needs food *Keith Woodford*
 More than 80 percent of New Zealand's export income comes from primary industries. This is how we fund the purchase of all the things that we import. However, this is not widely recognised in the urban community. Most of our land is good for dairy, meat and timber, but only a very small amount is ecologically suitable for cropping, and there is increasing controversy as to the best path forward. Keith will discuss the alternatives that we face.

2022 PROGRAMME DATES:

SERIES 1: Feb 14, 28, Mar 7

SERIES 2: Mar 28, Apr 4, 11

SERIES 3: May 2, 9, 16

SERIES 4: Jun 13, 20, 27

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SERIES 6: Aug 1, 8, 15

SERIES 7: Sep 5, 12, 19

SERIES 8: Oct 3, 10, 17

SERIES 9: Nov 7, 14, 21

Meetings

West End Hall, 35a Maltby Avenue, Timaru.
 Lectures commence at 1.30 pm and conclude about 2.30 pm with questions to follow.
 Coffee/tea will be provided after the meeting.

As a courtesy to our speakers & other members, please ...

Be seated by 1.20 pm	Wear your name tag
Turn your cell phone off	No talking during lectures
Wait until the end of the lecture before asking questions	
Stand when asking a question, and wait for the microphone	

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