



HAZELNUT GROWERS OF AUSTRALIA INC

FEBRUARY FARM WALK/SYMPOSIUM

Friday 12th and Saturday 13th February 2021,

Myrtleford and surrounding areas, VIC. 3630

Programme

Friday 12th February 2021

10:00 am Registration:

ORCHARD WALK – Venue TBC

12:30 pm Return to Myrtleford

12.45 pm Lunch – Club Savoy
252-254 Great Alpine Road, Myrtleford

1:30 pm Symposium

TOPIC: Support nut producers to explore the value of a grower-owned co-op.

Through Co-operative Farming, the Business Council of Co-operatives and Mutuals (BCCM) proposes to work with nut producers so that they both understand the co-operative model and also explore how it might support growers to work together to build the profit and success of their own businesses.

1:30 pm: **Part 1: Co-ops 101 – Lets nut it out**

This workshop will cover:

- What is a co-operative?
- Why and how are co-operatives different?
 - The differences between co-ops and other business structures (legal structure, co-op principles).
- What it means to be a member of a co-op.
- Case studies of agricultural co-ops (machinery rings, processing, marketing and distribution); and
- The formation process and key requirements.

3:00 pm Afternoon Tea

3:30 pm: **Part 2: Next Steps: Identifying opportunities for co-operation**

After a break, growers will engage in facilitated discussions of what might be possible and explore why they might form a co-op (potential purpose and benefits). This will include breakout into smaller groups (e.g., to consider opportunities by industry) for part of the discussion.

Ideas will be developed and next steps confirmed. During this process technical questions will be answered around the co-op structure and how it can be used to facilitate the ideas generated.

5:00 pm CLOSE

6:30 pm **Symposium Dinner** (Not included in Conference Registration package)

Bastoni Pizzeria
Great Alpine Rd (Next to Piazza)
Myrtleford, VIC 3737

Please book ASAP directly with Bastoni
Tel: 03 57 511 478
bastoniinfo@gmail.com

Saturday 13th February - Farm Walk and Symposium - “Soils and more!”

8:30 am **Soil Pit and on Farm Soils Assessment Tools
NECMA Acidity & Erosion—Soil Health Perspective**

Presenter: Darren Cribbes

Venue: Hall Stanley Orchard, 192 Myrtleford Road, Stanley

11:00 am CLOSE

FEBRUARY SYMPOSIUM AND FARM WALK

REGISTRATION FORM:

Register by completing below.

Business Name:

Address:

.....Postcode:

Phone: Fax:

Mobile:

E-mail:

The workshop for HGA members is \$66 (Inclusive GST).
Non Members \$88 (Inclusive GST) per workshop per person
Does not include the cost of Saturday night Dinner

HGA Member YES NO

The following person(s) will be attending the

- a) February Symposium and Farm Walk - Friday: YES NO
b) FRIDAY DINNER (AT YOUR OWN COST) YES NO
c) February Farm Walk – Saturday: YES NO

how many seats

NAMES:

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RSVP: Monday 8th February 2021

RETURN FORM TO: Trevor Ranford, HGA,
27 Ludgate Hill Road, ALDGATE. SA.
E-mail: sahort@bigpond.com

Signature: Date:

PAYMENT.

I enclose cheque payable to: Hazelnut Growers of Australia Inc, 27 Ludgate Hill Road, ALDGATE. SA.

Or

To pay direct into HGA bank account
Hazelnut Growers of Australia Inc. BSB: 032-814 Account: 195-114
Use reference "seminar" and your name

(Westpac)

ACCOMMODATION:

Accommodation is available at the.

Motel on Alpine
58 Great Alpine Rd, Myrtleford VIC 3737
(opposite the Club Savoy)
Phone: [\(03\) 5752 1438](tel:0357521438)
contact@motelonalpine.com.au
<http://www.motelonalpine.com.au/>

Golden Leaf Motel
186 - 188 Great Alpine Road
Myrtleford, NE Victoria
(5-minute walk to Club Savoy)
Book with the **Motel directly** on
03 5752 1566 or email
goldenlf@bigpond.net.au

Other accommodation options can be viewed at

<https://www.visitmyrtlefordvic.com.au/visitor-information/>
