



Kia ora,

Welcome to your **October / November** newsletter; here's a preview of the news, and events in this issue:

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

15 - 17 NOVEMBER 2022
[Canadian Hemp Trade Alliance National Conference](#)

30 NOV - 3 DECEMBER 2022
[Asia International Hemp & Cannabis Expo](#)

NZHIA EVENTS:

22 NOVEMBER 2022
[Future Fibres Conference](#)

30 NOVEMBER - 3 DECEMBER 2022
[Fieldays](#)

An Update from the NZHIA Chair

Welcome to the October/November Public Newsletter.

We wish the farmers who are about to plant their iHemp crop, a successful 2022/23 growing season.

Our 24th Annual General Meeting was held in October, and I would like to thank retiring executive members Paul Wright and Eduardo Zanata for their help and participation. We welcome our new executive, who will be moving us forward in 2023. An exciting year with a general election and our 3rd iHemp Summit, in Christchurch on 24-25 August.

A common observation from people on the Agmardt funded iHemp - Investment and Discovery Tour was, "it's a no brainer", "I can't believe it is not done already", this speaks to an idea whose time has come. There is a compelling case for change in the treatment of hemp for industrial and horticultural purposes. iHemp ticks all the right boxes, providing positive environmental, economic and social outcomes.

It is time to work on business plans that are sustainable and resilient, that meet a pain point and can scale. Investors are after these opportunities, and entrepreneurs and whānau can create them.

My [chair report](#) touches on some of the issues and points that we are facing.

- Foundational science is key. Understanding the process from grow to end use, will help the industry scale and identify opportunities.
- The ban on iHemp for production and companion animals is stopping innovation and market development.
- Naturally occurring CBD in iHemp vs CBD a prescription medicine.
- Educating the consumer, industry and government is important.

2023 will be all about progress on these points.

All the best,
Richard Barge
NZHIA Chair



The New Executive Board

We welcome the new 2022/2023 executives and are excited about the coming year and working with this leadership team on the numerous projects we have in development.

- Richard Barge** - Chairman
- Blair Drysdale** - Executive
- Evan Dubisky** - Executive
- Kirsty Harkness** - Executive
- John Smith** - Executive

Learn more about our executive leadership team [here](#).



Seed for Sale

If you have industrial hemp seed for sale, please contact admin@nzhia.com.

Sowing and processing seed is required from any approved variety.



The NZHIA iHemp Discovery & Investment Tour - Post Event Survey

We have recently sent an update on the iHemp Tour to all attendees. This email contained a link to view the presentations and a post-event survey. If you attended in person or online please complete the survey, as we would appreciate your input.

You can begin the survey by clicking the button below; it will take approximately 5 minutes to complete.

We value your feedback, as it assists us in planning future events and conferences.

[Take the survey here](#)



Investing in the emerging industry

We are receiving more and more enquires regarding peoples business plans and commercialisation opportunities.

There is also a raising awareness from investors around the business opportunities for iHemp; the sustainable, environmentally friendly properties of hemp are attracting interest from those that want to be involved in and support an industry that is doing good for people, the planet and is profitable.

We are looking at ways to get these two groups to interact and a social enterprise might be a useful tool to make this happen.

Over the summer a project is underway to see if we can build this community and we look forward to reporting back on the progress and encouraging those with resources and skills to help build and scale up the Aotearoa/NZ hemp industry.



University of Canterbury students are available for hemp related projects

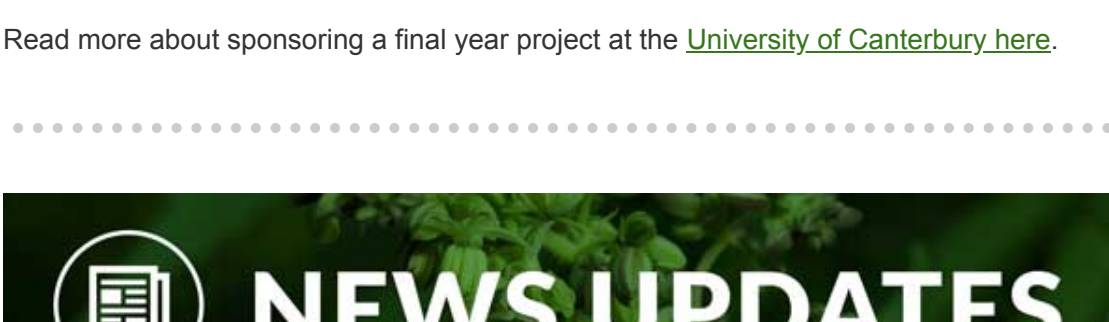
Final year students at the University of Canterbury are available for industry lead engineering projects. This is your company's chance to carry out a feasibility study, get some analysis done or even develop a prototype.

Brochures from the previous years can be viewed [here](#). **Deadline for applications is Wednesday 21st December.**

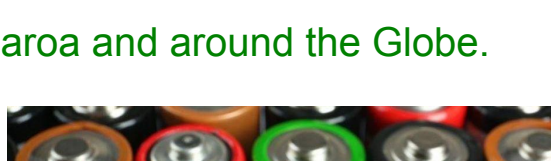
There is a small fee to sponsor students and you will be expected to take an active role in guiding the student(s). If you are interested, connect with UC Engineering to indicate your intention by submitting an application below.

[Submit Application](#)

Read more about sponsoring a final year project at the [University of Canterbury here](#).



iHemp industry news from Aotearoa and around the Globe.



European researchers probing hemp cellulose for use in high-tech gels

[Read more via Hemp Today](#)

Hemp For Victory! Researchers make better, cheaper batteries from plant waste

[Read more from Clean Technica](#)

Forbes

Halal Hemp Is Fighting Prohibition To Bring Cannabis And Healing To Muslims Around The World

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Hemp Today

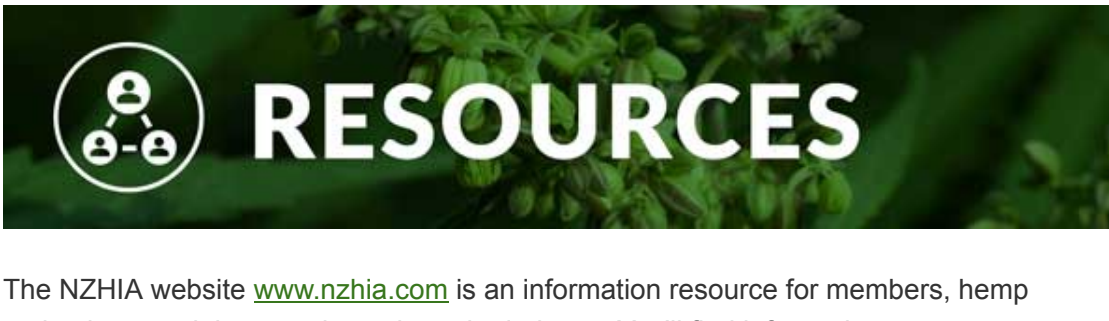
Industrial giant 3M exploring hemp to overcome an urgent pollution challenge

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The Rise Of The Vegetables – And The Hemp Burgers!

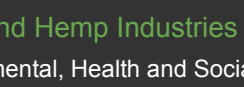
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- [Growing Hemp in NZ](#)
- [iHemp Magazine](#)
- [Licencing](#)
- [Webinars](#)

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