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TARANAKI OFFICE & YARD OPENING



There was a great turnout for the blessing of the yard and office in the morning and then for the BBQ in the late afternoon at 142 De Havilland Drive, Bell Block, New Plymouth. The members of the Te Atiawa tribe and Puketapu Hapu (local Maori community) enjoyed performing the blessing and clearing. This was led by Wharehoka Wano and Marama Sionetama gave the kaikaranga. Hoani Eriwata, pictured next to Allan McFall, organized the event and Whaea Marama is directly below Hoani. Adrienne Frewin was present to learn how to carry on the tradition. "This was a very special event for us," said Allan McFall, "and a great way to see our new Taranaki location settled into its surrounds."

Andrew Spicer who led the development process for the new yard and office has done a fantastic job from the native planting through to the fit out and finishing touches. The Driving Team are delighted that they can now wash their trucks knowing that the environmental protection is in place and the security for the fleet is a real step up on the previous location. It was great to have a number of those who contributed to the site development present at the blessing and later at the BBQ."

This is the second yard and office that McFall Fuel has completed with Gisborne being the first in 2020. "We are still looking for sites in Auckland where an office and yard would be ideal and we have already discovered we do not have enough space in Whangarei to park the trucks and trailers," said Allan, "however, we are very proud of what we have achieved over the past three or so years."



THE ENERGY DEBATE CONTINUES

Fossil fuels accounted for 82% of the primary energy used last year compared with 85% five years ago and this clearly reveals that despite all of the hype and chatter any changes will be incremental. It is also interesting to see that OPEC accounts for three quarters of the increased oil production and that oil prices reached the second highest level since 2015 at a time when the push for renewable energy has seen stronger momentum than any other fuel. China is the leader in solar and wind capacity growth while at the same time remaining one of the big consumers of diesel and petrol. Already there are signals coming from the German automotive industry leaders that we need to get the balance right and are warning against an over-reliance on electric vehicles. BMW, Ford, and Toyota are all making statements that the choice in motive power will need to continue and that some of the deadlines being set are in reality unattainable. The energy debate continues in a world where there a few countries who control the raw materials for batteries and gas and this in itself makes hydrogen look more likely because it is the only raw material that can be sustainably produced and stored. It is quite apparent any change will take time.



2022 HAS
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A VERY BIG

THANK
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FROM THE TEAM AT
MCFALL FUEL

The challenges of 2022 have kept us all on our toes as we have faced increasing costs, the ever changing job market, and the winter illnesses. We very much appreciate how tough it has been and we really do appreciate how our loyal customers have stuck with us through these challenging times. Thanks so much for continuing to work with us and we wish you all the best for 2023.

OFFICE HOURS OVER CHRISTMAS

The McFall Fuel Office will be closed for the statutory days only
December 26 & 27
January 2 & 3

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What's Happening @ McFall Fuel

THE BROWN MAMORATED STINK BUG IS A HIGH RISK PEST



The McFall Fuel Yard at 14 Hocking Street is a Transitional Facility for the purpose of decanting chain and bar oil imported from Australia. The bladder containing the oil is pumped from the truck that transports it from the Port of Tauranga into a 30,000 litre tank in the McFall Fuel Yard. The next step is it is pumped into the 20 litre containers for distribution to customers.

As a Transitional Facility the company is bound under the 1993 Biosecurity Act to undertake border control on behalf of the Ministry of Primary Industries. "Chain & Bar Operators Peter Laird & Andrew Daysh are charged with preventing the high and low risk biosecurity threats and are required to follow stringent

MPI guidelines for opening and reporting on the contents of these containers," said Lubricants Manager Adrian Triggs. "Additionally, there is a legal requirement for the Lubricant staff to identify and report other pests, seeds, foliage, and dry matter that may be present in our Chain Bar containers."

The highest risk to our agricultural sector is the Brown Marmorated Stink Bug (pictured), which is a native to Asia, and feeds on over 300 plant species and if introduced into New Zealand could decimate our fruit and vegetable industries. Producing the defensive chemicals or stink, this pest is a sucking insect that can destroy a rugby field sized tomato patch overnight. Therefore to look after our fruit and vegetable industries we need to be vigilant when it comes to this stink bug and report any findings immediately to MPI to ensure that it does not become established in New Zealand.

TITAN CARGO 15W-40 UPDATED TO UHPD 15W-40



McFall Fuel works closely with Fuchs to ensure that upgrades are advised in a timely manner. The replacement for Titan Cargo 15W-40 will be known as Titan Cargo UHPD 15W-40 and will be available to our customers in 20 litre and 205's soon. The new diesel engine oil is designed for commercial vehicles and the combination of state of the art additive technology with a new base oil matrix provides the highest level of performance regarding oxidation stability, resistance to oil aeration, wear protection as well as shear stability in highly stressed commercial vehicle engines. Titan Cargo UHPD 15W-40 is particularly advantageous in vehicles fitted with exhaust gas treatment systems such as Diesel Particulate Filters, Diesel Oxidation Catalyst, Exhaust Gas Recirculation and SCR-catalyst or any combination of given technologies.

Right in the middle of the busy harvesting season the ideal lubricant is AGRIFARM UTTO MP. It's special additive components guarantee outstanding deceleration performance combined with a high capability of noise suppression over the full oil drain.

Also, gearboxes or combined gearbox-hydraulic-systems of agricultural and construction machinery with fill instruction HD-engine oil SAE 10W-30 or gear oils SAE 75W-80 acc. to API GL-4 can be filled using AGRIFARM UTTO MP.

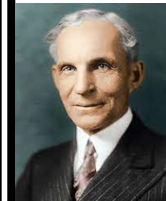


WHAT HAS 2022 TAUGHT US?

What has become apparent is that we need both hard and soft skills but it is the soft skills that became more important than ever in 2022. The ability to think on your feet and adapt to ever changing scenarios was a must have along with critical thinking and complex problem solving. Solving the many challenges that arose in innovative ways required not only clever planning but also seeing multiple perspectives. Communication needed to be much stronger than ever and active listening and constant collaboration became a way of life.

However, it was the ability to be kind and empathetic and using emotional intelligence that was so essential each and every day. Greater self awareness was directly connected to work ethic and success. Talent acquisition, positive retention programmes, as well as providing professional opportunities for growth and development internally were more important than ever before. Looking after their Team much more closely became a way of life for Team Managers.

This all needed the support of strong data analytics, a hard skill. The ability to read, understand, analyse, and make decisions based on data sets was integral as we worked together to move from the previous disruptions to meet the constant need of making critical decisions. In the words of Henry Ford



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