



# FUELLED

NEWSLETTER

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## THE CHALLENGES OF WEATHER



Over the past few months we, along with our customers, have faced the challenges of weather, whether it be rain with flooding and slips or snow to lower levels. Greater care was needed to reach locations we deliver to. The weather has impacted on customers with power outages and has led to a later start to the season for agricultural contracting contractors who were all ready to go. "The challenge we faced with the slips in the Taranaki when it came to getting the fuel through was enjoyed by the drivers. It meant travelling different routes and being prepared to stay out of town for a night or meeting and swapping trucks. Our aim was to make sure that we kept all of our customers in the region in fuel given the weather conditions," said Scheduler Mike Herring. However, the predictions for October take us to another extreme with the possibility that daytime temperatures may be record breaking and reach temperatures as high as 30 degrees in the east.

## ORGANISATIONAL HEALTH

We are all putting a great deal of time and energy into creating healthy workplaces. Workplace wellbeing is driven by open and transparent communication. Clear and specific agreements promote clarity and understanding and if the agreements are developed by strong participation and collaboration, a collective sense of ownership is achieved. Every staff member needs to be encouraged to succeed and be given the assistance to succeed. This often arises out of holding one another accountable to and for the desired commitment and behaviours.



We also need to focus on lifestyle behaviour and health advice to underpin the work around health and well being initiatives being put in place. By promoting health and providing support for staff when it comes to nutrition, fitness, fatigue management, stress reduction and mental health it enhances that desire to succeed and be more productive.

*'To win in the market place you must first win in the workplace'* Doug Conant, CEO Campbell's Soup



# FOREST INDUSTRY

## safety summit 2017

### PEOPLE, SAFETY & TECHNOLOGY

March 1-2, 2017 will see the FISS held at the Distinction Hotel in Rotorua. The event will have a practical focus and key note speakers confirmed to date are Cos Bruyn, CEO Downer NZ and Peter Sprout who is a member of the BC Forest Safety Council as head of its falling programme. As always there will be excellent leadership and safety culture case studies. Best practice models will be shared and networking opportunities to learn from other motivated people and to gain new information are all part of the two day event.

"We are so pleased to be the Principal Sponsor for the New Zealand Summit. McFall Fuel has been working closely with Forestry Owners and Managers to come up with a consistent approach for overlapping PCBU's. The level of collaboration and commitment from all parties to date has been awesome and we are close to achieving a level of clarity so that we all have a clear understanding of who is accountable for what," said McFall Fuel CEO Sheryl Dawson.

# What's Happening @ 0800 623 255

## XTERRA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS—MAUI



McFall Fuel began supporting Kieran McPherson as a young triathlete and this has evolved to the adrenalin rush of Xterra events. Kieran is preparing himself for the World Championships which will take place in Maui on October 23. Finishing third in the Xterra Dominican Republic he was hopeful of improving his performance 6 days later in Mexico. The challenge with Xterra is often the altitudes raced at. Kieran found that by changing a few things such as doing a shorter higher intensity workout, dropping all caffeine, and putting a greater emphasis on post 48 hour race recovery he achieved his best swim performance ever. He worked hard early on, on the Hardtail in Mexico showing signs of his strength over the early climbs. However, taking bigger risks off race lines back fired on the descent with a chain being dropped and the tangling meant loosing a valuable position and saw Kieran trailing the lead pack. However, chasing hard to bridge the gap burnt his legs out for the

final climb of the day but his strong run performance placed him in second which sees him at fourth in the Pan-American Series. 800 athletes will compete in the Xterra World Championships from 28 countries and so we wish Kieran all the best for the endurance challenge that he faces racing among some of the most spectacular scenery on Maui.

## NEW PLYMOUTH DRIVER AWARDED A QSM



Rick Jury has been a driver for McFall Fuel for the past seven years. Based in New Plymouth he began as a volunteer fireman for New Plymouth West in 2001 and remained there as a volunteer for 6 years prior to moving out to Waitara. Rick has seen so many indescribable situations in his role and commented that "I feel very privileged that I was selected for this honour after 15 years service as a volunteer and even more so to actually have been awarded the Queen's Service Medal. The Waitara volunteers average 200 to 300 call outs a year with the great majority either medical or motor vehicle accidents," said Rick. "It is never nice talking about what people in such roles have to deal with and what they have seen, but it is great to be able to help people in need."

CONGRATULATIONS RICK!  
WELL DESERVED.  
WE ARE VERY PROUD OF YOU!

## SPRING PROMOTION OFFERS ROD & REEL COMBO



McFall Fuel's research in the market place has revealed that the use of a high quality hydraulic oil reduces the wear and tear on pumps and minimises the damage caused by the temperature fluctuations that can occur. A number of our customers have commented that the higher grade is offering much better outcomes particularly for their machinery operating hard out all day.

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