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IFMA22 Congress Date Reminders

31 October 2018 - Papers Due – Submit your paper by this date – peer review and non-peer review (case study) papers welcome. http://www.ifma22.org/presenting

31 October 2018 - Pre & Post Congress Tour Bookings Close – check out these brilliant tours here: http://ifma22.org/pre-and-post-congress-tours

21 December 2018 - Paper acceptance emailed to corresponding authors.

25 January 2019 - Early Bird Registration Closes Don't miss the closing date.

- 24 February 3 March 2019 Pre Congress Tour Tasmania.
- 2 3 March 2019 Next Gens Program Check out the program and who is eligible here: http://ifma22.org/next-gens-program
- **3 8 March 2019 IFMA22 Congress** in Launceston, Tasmania As always a full IFMA Congress Program with a selection of Field Trips on 2 days see the program here: http://www.ifma22.org/program
- 9 15 March 2019 Post Congress Tour Victoria & New South Wales.

David Armstrong and his excellent practical team have pulled out all the stops to give everyone a thoroughly interesting and enjoyable congress on a wonderful and intriguing island. The congress theme of "Growing Agriculture @ 41 Degrees South – excellence in farm management through innovation, diversification and integration with tourism" encapsulates a thoroughly positive approach which should appeal to all involved in farming and the wider agricultural audience.

Hon. Secretary Treasurer - Handover to Richard Cooksley

I have now formally handed over almost all the Hon. Secretary Treasurer activities to Richard Cooksley. Those who attended IFMA21 in Edinburgh will know him as the 'Go To Person' at the congress – particularly as he can't be missed given his height! He was heavily involved in the organisation of the congress along with Tim Brigstocke on the Institute of Agricultural Management team, with Dave Roberts and Cath Milne on the Scotland's Rural College (SRUC) team.

All communications should now go to Richard at e-mail honsecretary@ifmaonline.org.

Written communications should go to Richard Cooksley, IFMA Hon. Secretary, Portbury House, Sheepway, Bristol, BS20 7TE, United Kingdom.

I will however be looking after the Membership Scheme for a few months longer, and the IFMA Website until the time to upload the IFMA22 congress papers and presentations.

The next newsletter will come from Richard.

I wish Richard and his team of Victoria and Alex all the best and hope they have as interesting, educational, enjoyable and sometimes challenging time as I have had!

My Final Newsletter

So this is my final IFMA Newsletter after 15 years as the Hon. Secretary. I took over from my predecessor Philip James who had held the role for 30 years from the inception of IFMA arising from the first International Farm Management Congress in the UK in 1971, and the 2nd in Canada in 1974 when IFMA was formed - until the 14th Congress in Australia in 2003. It is safe to say that without Philip's tenacity in the early years IFMA as we know it would never have been sustained. More on the history of IFMA here (a PDF). My thanks for his leadership.

My thanks to all recipients of the Newsletter for putting up with my typos and no doubt poor grammar without complaint!

My particular thanks go to all those who have organised congresses in different parts of the world – Fernando Perez in Brazil, JJ Harty in Ireland, Carroll Merry in the USA, Phil Everest in New Zealand, Edward Majewski in Poland, Heather Watson in Canada, Tim Brigstocke and Richard in Edinburgh, and now David Armstrong and all their respective diligent teams. They are the real heroes of IFMA for they knew not what they were taking on when they volunteered to organise a congress! We cannot thank them enough!

I am grateful to all the IFMA Executive and Council Members that have helped steer the organisation over the years and in particular the three Presidents I have worked alongside – Malcolm Stansfield, John Alliston (dec.) and Trevor Atkinson – all excellent Presidents who brought so much to IFMA, as well as the Vice Presidents, Dan Smith (dec.), Rob Napier, Jim McGrann, Damona Doye and David Hughes. I am sure the current Executive and Council will continue to increase the status of IFMA. IFMA is a friendly organisation – may that continue into the future.

My wife Patricia (who has attended all the congresses with me since our first one in Hungary in 1993) and I wish you all the best for the coming and all future congresses,

Long live IFMA!!

My Best Regards, Tony.

Tony King

The Retired Hon. Secretary/Treasurer

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Join us for our next congress:

The 22nd International Farm Management Congress

"Growing Agriculture @ 41 Degrees South"



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