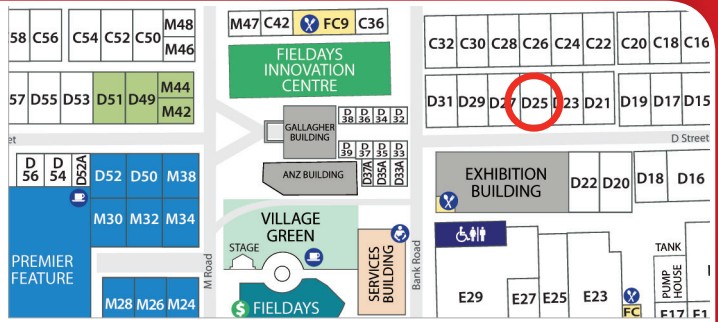


University of Waikato Seminar Series.

The University of Waikato has produced graduates, developed research, and partnered with local industries to meet the needs of our local community and the national agriculture sector. Come and listen to some of the people who are leading the way, at the University of Waikato seminar series. **D Street, Site 25.**



TIME	SPEAKER	TOPIC – all seminars run 20-30 minutes, with questions after.
WEDNESDAY 15 JUNE		
10.00am	Kyle Devey University of Waikato/ Hill Laboratories	New technologies and techniques for soil testing The benefits of moving to automated, computerised soil testing, and the advantages to farmers in improving production and yields.
11.30am	Steve Erickson Chaos Springs	Managing soil and plant energetics The emerging science of soil and plant energy systems, including the basics of biodynamics, radionics, homeopathy and other energy management techniques.
1.30pm	Graham Lynch Novel Ways	Can farming use technology to improve profit? Novel Ways is an electronic product development business transforming your bright ideas into reality. This talk looks at how farming can use practical technology to improve efficiency and profit.
THURSDAY 16 JUNE		
10.00am	Dr Johan Verbeek University of Waikato	From byproduct to bioplastic and beyond Low-value animal protein is being given new life as a high-value biodegradable plastic with the discovery of a new manufacturing process by University of Waikato scientists. But while production costs have fallen, biopolymers still account for only a small fraction of total plastic consumption today.
11.30am	Cecilia Farrow Triplejump	Butterfly effects and stoneheads Losing key people from a farms business can affect the farmer and their family. With debt levels at record highs and the squeeze on farm surpluses, the financial risks to the farmer are likely to be more severe than ever before.
1.30pm	Gary Sissons Simcro	Global animal health Simcro is an award-winning New Zealand agritech company using innovation to improve farm productivity and animal welfare here and worldwide. Learn about Simcro's partnerships with the global animal health companies and their newest product launches.
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1.30pm	Steve Erickson Chaos Springs	The soil and plant relationship This topic will explain new understandings of the relationship between the soil and plant dynamic. It will include information on the importance of the plant for building soil, the liquid carbon pathway and the building of Mycorrhiza fungi in the plant root system.
3.00pm	John-Paul Praat PA Handford and Associates Ltd	Trees, what carbon? Growing trees on farms provides a wide range of benefits including water and soil protection, diversification of investment, improvement in biodiversity and aesthetics. The Emissions Trading Scheme has added the trading of carbon to this mix of products – but what does it all mean?

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