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First a warm welcome to several new Members joining IFMA and receiving this Newsletter for the first time.

Journal of International Farm Management – new Volume – new Edition – Vol.5 Ed.1

The latest edition of the JIFM is now available on the IFMA website. This issue of the Journal includes papers from New Zealand, Denmark, Canada and the United Kingdom. The four papers cover a wide range of issues as diverse as the affect of recession on the banana and fresh fruit markets in Europe, optimising the mix between milk and beef production from a dairy herd, investing in the farmland market in Canada and the success or lack of it in transferring research into farm management practice.

Visit the 'Contents' section under '[Journal](#)' on the website. As always an abstract is available as well as the full paper for downloading as a PDF. John Gardner's Editorial precedes the paper abstracts. John is always pleased to receive papers for the Journal, but please read and follow the guidelines under '[How to Contribute](#)' before submitting a paper.

If you want to search the Journal database for an author, a word or words in a paper title, or a subject across all the available paper abstracts, please use the search facility on the Contents page.

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Since shortly after the congress in Bloomington/Normal, the contributed papers have been available in two large PDF files – one with the Peer Review Papers and another with Case Studies and Poster Abstracts from the IFMA17.org website. The Plenary Presentations were also available as individual downloadable PDFs from another page.

NOW all the Contributed Papers and Poster Abstracts are available as individual downloadable PDF files from the '[Congresses](#)' > 'Proceedings' section of the ifmaonline.org website. They are in two folders – one for Peer Review Papers and the other for Case Study (non-peer review) and Poster Abstracts plus the Plenary and Plenary Panel Presentations. These two folders have their own ISBN Numbers – which are different from those used on the publications (hard copy and CD) given out at the congress.

Like the Journal Papers you can view the authors, title and abstracts of the papers before downloading the full paper (Posters and Presentations do not have this facility). Also like the Journal there is a search facility on the 'Proceedings' page that works on all the papers currently held in the database from the last 5 IFMA congresses (some 700 articles).

These papers and presentations are made available to anyone who visits the website – free of charge – and will remain there for some considerable time (at least 12 years - or as long as the website is online). So please direct colleagues and friends to this valuable collection.

IFMA Council – Changes following the General and Council Meetings in Bloomington/Normal.

IFMA Council are pleased to welcome Don Cameron, Phill Everest and Edward Majewski to Council. Don Cameron replaces Ann Jarvis to represent Australasia, Phill Everest, who had been co-opted, is now confirmed as the representative for the IFMA18 Congress in New Zealand in 2011, and Edward Majewski joins as the representative of IFMA19 due in 2013. Council is also pleased to announce the successful co-option of David Hughes (Argentina) as the Council representative for South America. Congratulations go to Jay Lee Smith for winning the vote to

represent the USA, and our commiserations and thanks go to Doug Jose following his 8 years of service representing the USA (the new Constitution allows for one representative from each region, and now that the USA congress has been held, it was felt the USA representation should reflect the Constitution).

Our thanks must go to Ann Jarvis who stands down after 8 years service on Council - not only as the representative for Australasia, but also for women in farm management, and also to JJ Harty who stands down at the end of his period as the representative of the very successful IFMA16 congress in Ireland in 2007.

Details and contact information for all members of Council are available on the IFMA website under ['About IFMA'](#) > 'IFMA Council'– (N.B. Phill Everest and Edward Majewski's details are due shortly).

IFMA18 Congress – Theme and Venue Update, and “Express your Interest”.

The theme of the [IFMA18 Congress](#) is **“Thriving in a Global World – Innovation, Co-operation and Leadership”** and the venue is confirmed as the “Chateau on the Park” hotel in Christchurch, New Zealand. The dates are **20th – 25th March 2011** – so do put these into your system now, and if you possibly can you should plan to take in the week long Pre and Post Tours of South and North Islands respectively. A draft of the congress programme is now taking shape on the website.

Most importantly you should register your **“Expression of Interest”** on the website if you have not already done so. From now on expect to see new items being added to the IFMA18 website regularly as we move towards the congress.

Best Regards,
Tony.

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