

PROGRAM

Friday 21st July

- 7.00 pm Cuppa, fees, nametags, bookshop
- 7.45 pm Welcome and introduction of speakers
- 8.00 pm **Short devotional – Keith Farmer**
- 9.00 pm Supper

Saturday 22nd July

- 7.00 am Rise and shine
- 7.30 am Prayer time/set up for breakfast
- 8.00 am Breakfast
- 9.00 am **Speaker – Keith Farmer**
- 10.30am Morning tea
- 11.00am **Speaker – Steve Leisk**
Farming with a difference
- 12.30pm Lunch
- 2.00 pm **Speaker - Stan Field**
- 3.30 pm Afternoon tea
- 4.00 pm Free Time
- 6.00 pm Dinner
- 7.00 pm Forum & discussion – **All Speakers**

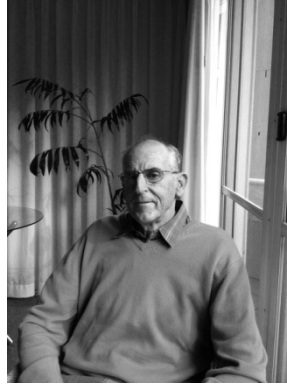
- 9.30 pm Supper

Sunday 23rd July

- 7.00 am Wake up call
- 7.30 am Prayer time/set up for breakfast
- 8.00 am Breakfast
- 9.00 am **Speaker – Keith Farmer**
- 10.30 am Morning tea
- 11.00 am **Speaker – Keith Farmer**
- 12.15 pm Clean up/set up for lunch
- 12.30 pm Lunch/thank you/prayer time/departure

KEITH FARMER

Keith has been involved in ministry and ministry training over many years. His background was in commerce and psychology. Keith has been involved in local church ministries in NSW & Victoria and then for 24 years was the Principal of what is now known as the Australian College of Ministries – A CoM.



Keith is now involved in an itinerant ministry providing mentoring to Christian ministers and leaders across Australia, as well as some preaching and teaching. Keith is passionate about helping Christian leaders to develop in spiritual and personal maturity for 'who they are' to sustain ministry and service.

He and his wife, Margaret, are based in NSW. They have three married children and nine grandchildren. Keith has been a keen sportsman, has a real interest in news and current affairs and enjoys bush walking.

Steve Leisk



Steve owns and manages Dolittle Farm – Australia's Largest rodent breeding facility, making frozen snake food. He manages 400 acres of light granite, sandy loam country on his home "Oxenthorpe". His farming focus is on sustainable farming practices using recycled organics. Steve is a lover of the Bible, keen to understand it in the context of reality and definitely a sinner in need of a saviour.

Stan Field

Stan has been involved with Farmer's Camp almost from its inception and has rarely missed a camp since it started.

He grew up in the Parkes area and after leaving school commenced farming with his father on their family farm which consisted of a 1400 acre farm with \$32000 debt. Stan married Denise and together they raised six children most of which are now living in the Parkes area.

Stan together with other Christians from western areas was involved with moving most of the cottages from Mumbil to Ridgecrest and has many memories of some very hairy experiences as part of that operation.

He does not claim to be a speaker and has a favourite verse which is Proverbs 3: 5-6 which he has tried to put into practise throughout his life .



The family farming operation has grown to now cropping many thousands of acres of grain crops and raising cross bred lambs for the prime lamb trade. Stan gives thanks to God for the way he has led him through all of life's experiences and will share some of his testimony with us.

History of Christian Farmers' Camps

For many years there appeared to be an increasingly evident need to develop suitable programs where farmers could gather together to learn more about farming and its management plus opportunities to share together in Christian fellowship.

Soon after Bill Clack founded Steer Inc in 1961, he conducted a number of annual Farmers' Family Camps. With the development of Know Your Bible programs for women and Church Family Camps, the Farmers' Family Camps ceased to operate.

About 1980 a group of Christian farmers around Murray Bridge SA started weekend camps for men. Additional camps are now held annually at Halls Gap, Gippsland, North East Victoria and Wellington NSW. Up to 100 men attend each camp to hear excellent speakers covering agricultural topics as well as being encouraged in their daily Christian experience.

Christian Farmers' Conference

21st – 23rd July 2016

RSVP Tuesday 11th July

This is essential for Ridgecrest with catering

Name

Address

.....Postcode

PhoneMobile

Email

Dietary needs/food allergies.....

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Registration fee \$

Gift \$

Total amount \$

Cheques payable to – Christian Farmer's Conference CW NSW

Applications to – Phil Grinter

“Strathbogie”, Beckom, 2665

strathbogie@iinet.net.au

EFT: Christian Farmers Camp CWNSW

BSB: 062-573

Ac No: 10023690

Please add your name to the EFT and bring receipt to camp

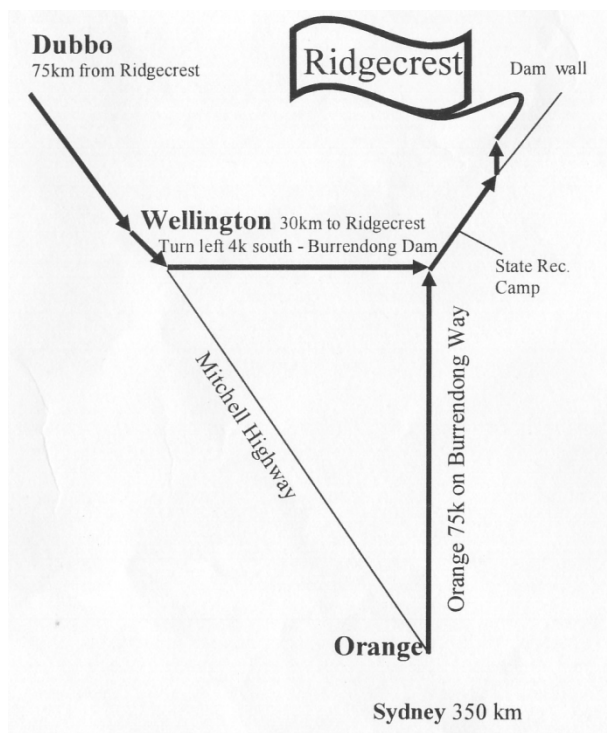
What to bring!

- Pillow slip or own pillow
- Sleeping bag with bottom sheet or linen and blankets
- Musical instruments

Cost: \$140 or \$70/day

Enquiries:

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Conference

21st – 23rd July 2017

“Peace in a Fast Changing World”

Speakers:

Keith Farmer – Pastor's mentor and experienced Christian speaker Australia wide.

Steve Leisk – Rodent Breeder and sustainable farming advocate

Stan Field – Experienced Farmer and original supporter of Ridgecrest

**Ridgecrest Christian Conference Centre
Wellington**