

RURAL CHATTER

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Hello readers

I know on the front of this newsletter is a guide for how to protect yourself against fire and a mention that it is a very dry season to date and on the back of the newsletter is an annual rain chart! I sincerely hope that the rain chart is of more use than the fire fighting tips.

Now that Christmas and New Year is over we are thinking of what 2018 will hold for us all.

Our region is over-flowing with great opportunities for all.

Many fantastic businesses have been created in our region, we are home to some famous people and our youth are achieving some outstanding goals. Congratulations to you all. I believe that 2018 will be an outstanding year for all.

Go conquer the world and enjoy the ride.

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Planning for a fire emergency and prevention

Rural landowners face a high risk from fire because it often takes longer for fires to be detected and emergency responses can take a longer time to arrive.

Want to make sure your farm or rural business is fire safe? Here's a quick and easy checklist you can use to spot any risks or hazards that might cause a fire.

This checklist is for people who live or work on a rural property or business.

- If you own a home in an urban area, check out our urban home fire safety checklist.
- If you're renting in an urban area, check out our renter's home fire safety checklist.



Inside the home

You have long-life photoelectric type smoke alarms in every bedroom, living area, and hallway - on every level of the property.

You have suitable fire extinguishers in places where a fire might break out and they can be accessed quickly, e.g. near the kitchen or in the garage.

For more tips on fire safety in the home check out our rural home fire safety checklist.

Outside the home

Your Rural Address Property Identification (RAPID) Number or road/street number is displayed in a place that's clearly visible to emergency vehicles.

There's an easy way for emergency vehicles to access the property.

You've established priority zones around your property to reduce the risk of fire damaging your home.

You have a fire-fighting water supply that is accessible in an emergency, and clearly indicated.

Machinery and fuel

Any petrol, diesel fuels and chemicals are stored in single-purpose locations.

Rubbish, oily rags, firewood and anything else that could fuel a fire is stored correctly and away from ignition sources.

All machinery is well maintained, with an appropriate exhaust system, installed to manufacturer specifications.

Machinery has been cleaned regularly to ensure belly pans and spaces around motors are free of oil, dust, grease, grass and straw.

There are no birds' nests in or around machinery. You have suitable fire extinguishers fitted in farm buildings and on machinery.

For more information, see our guide to using machinery.

Property maintenance

If possible, the lawn is mown and watered to reduce the risk of a vegetation fire (this may not be feasible during a drought).

There's no firewood stacked up against a dwelling or farm building.

Trees and branches are at least 3 metres clear of power lines. If not, talk to your local power authority.

Any paddocks around farm buildings and yards are well grazed and not overgrown.

Hay has been dried before baling and stacking to prevent spontaneous combustion.

For more information on fire safety for those who live or work on a farm, rural property or business go to
fireandemergency.nz/farms-rural-properties-and-rural-businesses



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RAINFALL REGISTRATION CHART 2018

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Frozen Fruit Smoothies - for those hot summer days!

INGREDIENTS

- 1 frozen banana, peeled and sliced
- 2 cups frozen strawberries, raspberries, or cherries
- 1 cup milk
- ½ cup plain or vanilla yogurt
- ½ cup freshly squeezed orange juice
- 2 - 3 tablespoons honey or to taste

DIRECTIONS:

Put all the ingredients in a blender and process until smooth. Pour into glasses and serve.
For **non-dairy** smoothies, substitute 1 cup rice milk for the milk and yogurt. Or, use soy yogurt or milk instead of dairy.

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