



# THE TRACTOR TIMES

## THERE'S A CHILL IN THE AIR

The first weekend of May must have been and gone as now the good duck shooting weather has set in. I hope all the hunters out there had a good opening weekend and once the guns were away, enjoyed refreshments with some good company and the sun on your backs.

It looks like winter is well on its way, and the amazing grass growth we had for the last few months is finally starting to slow down, which means now is the ideal time to bring in your Krone gear for servicing.

You might have seen we have secured the franchise for the John Deere Self Propelled Forage Harvester (Choppers), this is big news for Southland and Otago Farm Machinery, something we are pretty excited about.

Just like tractors (and any other farm equipment), we know that if you are selling these machines it's all about the back-up and support, and this is something we are working extremely hard on at the moment. We have a demo 8600i Chopper coming for the season and are working with John Deere to get our staff upskilled as fast as we can, and getting the parts needed into stock for our Parts Departments. Give one of our branches a call if you want to discuss your Silage Chopper needs.

We, like so many, have experienced staff shortages so we took the opportunity to attend the Southland Boys High School Trades Expo and talk to young guys about a career in our industry. It was great to be there alongside MITO and some other key trades in Southland. There are plenty of opportunities out there in the trades sector. If you would like to know more, please feel free to reach out to one of our branches.

One of our neighbours for the day was Growing Future Farmers, a great organisation assisting young people who have an interest in farming with essential farming skills, which

in turn helps them get into the farming sector. For more info, check them out at [www.growingfuturefarmers.co.nz](http://www.growingfuturefarmers.co.nz)

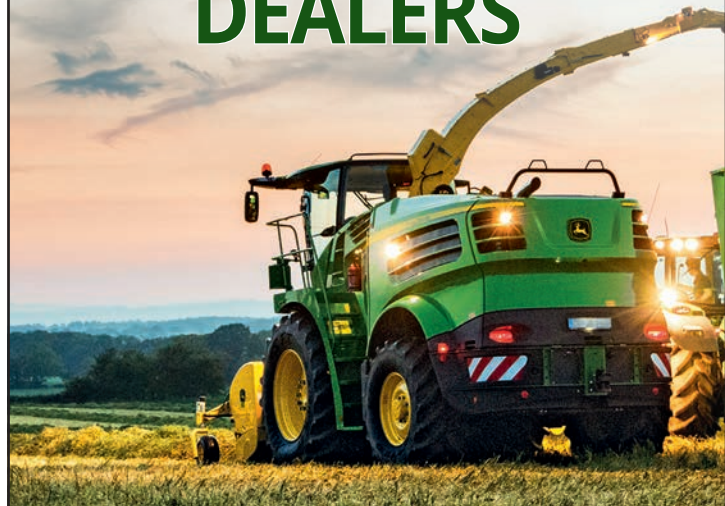
Enough from me, hope you all keep warm over the winter and can avoid the colds and flus that seem to do the rounds at this time of year. As always, for all of your Sales, Parts and Service needs, contact your *local* John Deere dealer.

Please enjoy this edition of The Tractor Times.

*Stacey Hitchens*

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General Manager

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## DEMO A JOHN DEERE 7R 230

There are so many options with your machinery today that it can be hard to know which operating system is going to suit your needs - and that is why we have 2 John Deere 7R 230's available to demo with different spec's.

### Option 1. 7R 230 IVT

- Tier 2 ENGINE (No Ad Blue)
- IVT 50 KPH Transmission
- 600/70R30, Single 710/70R42
- Front hitch and PTO
- AutoTrac, Section Control Activated
- Connected to Operations Center
- One Touch Work Setup

### Option 2. 7R 230 e23

- Tier 2 ENGINE (No Ad Blue)
- E23 (40K) Powershift Transmission
- 540/65R34, DUAL 480/80R50
- AutoTrac, Section Control Activated
- Connected to Operations Center
- One Touch Work Setup.
- 7000 Receiver

"While there are definitely some similarities (as they are the same model) it's good to actually be able to get in and see or feel the difference for yourself" said Mike Cleland, Integrated Solutions Manager.



John Deere 7R 230 (Option 1) on Demo at T A Whiteside & Co, Clinton, gearing up for drilling.

## ANOTHER QUALIFIED TECH!



Well done to Alex Bower in Invercargill who is the latest one of our young technicians to complete his Heavy Automotive Engineering qualification.

Alex first came to us as a SBHS Gateway student, then worked 2 days a week while he completed the SIT pre-trade course, and he's been here learning and expanding his knowledge ever since.

Thanks for your hard work and loyalty Alex.

## TOP AWARDS FOR STIHL STORES



Congratulations to Alexandra Stihl Shop manager Steve Stafford on being awarded the Stihl trophy for outstanding achievement in retail. This award is given to an individual who consistently delivers exceptional customer service.

While in Queenstown, the Stihl store was recognised as the most improved South Island store for 2022.

Congratluations to everyone involved, it's great to see your (and your teams) efforts being recognised.

## TIME FOR A TRADE

Proving the popularity of the John Deere 6 series tractors, Gore Sales Manager Andy Fraser recently delivered a new John Deere 6155M to Grant & Megan Scott's farm.





# JOHN DEERE CELEBRATES GLOBAL REMAN DAY

**Crestmead, Queensland** – To celebrate the Remanufacturing Industrial Council's (RIC) Global Reman Day (today, 13 April) John Deere is highlighting the environmental and economic benefits of remanufactured parts, and the effective role they can play in growing business and industry sustainability.

Remanufacturing involves the complete disassembly, cleaning, inspection, repair or replacement and reassembly of used components to restore them to a condition that meets or exceeds the original performance specifications.

John Deere Reman is a world leader in the production of remanufactured parts at equal or better standard than the original, helping to reduce waste and conserve natural resources.

John Deere Australia and New Zealand Director of Aftermarket and Customer Support, Emma Ford, said remanufacturing was an integral contributor to the company's mission to connect with farmers across the world to sustainably support and feed communities as the global population grows.

"By 2030 we know there will be nine billion people on earth who will need to be fed, clothed and housed, and we feel we have a really critical role to play in that," Ms Ford said.

"We are very focused on working to support growers in doing "more with less" by providing solutions like remanufactured parts that both reduce impact on the environment and input expenses – both of which are important markers of a sustainable industry that can rise to meet the needs of the future.

"For example, not having to make a new engine or axle from scratch means natural resources are preserved, melting furnaces aren't fired up, and carbon footprints are smaller.

"Having affordable remanufactured parts at the ready also provides dealers with more flexible options to help customers avoid downtime and improve their bottom line."

John Deere remanufactures around 2,300 part numbers including engines, transmissions, axles, and electronics. Nearly 12.5 million kilograms of material was recycled through John Deere Reman in 2022.

John Deere's remanufacturing is on track to grow 50% by 2030 in line with the company's Sustainability Strategy, outlined in the 2022 Sustainability Report.

If you would like to know more, get in touch with your local parts department.

## BUNNING JOINS THE TEAM

'Tis the season to spread some s#&t, and now that we are the Southland and Otago agents for Bunning Muckspreaders we can offer you the top-of-the-line range

Bunning spreaders offer top quality professional spec rear discharge muck spreaders with a range of customised requirements.

"From experience we know how important it is to our customers to get the accuracy they need when it comes to spreading" said Invercargill Sales Manager, Pete Shirley.

"Definitely looking forward to seeing a few of these in operation and hearing the feedback" he said.



## NZ PLOUGHING CHAMPS

It was great to have the NZ National Ploughing Championships happening in our patch (Milton), and to be able to support this event that has been running for 68 years!

More than 30 competitors travelled to compete in five classes - all hold a fierce rivalry with competitors trying to nail their skill, technique and precision for the perfect plough.

Our Mosgiel team went along to offer some encouragement to the entrants, and to showcase some machines of their own too.

Congratulations to Mark Dillon from Riversdale who will be going for gold when he competes in the World Ploughing Championships in Estonia next year.





# INSPIRING AND ENCOURAGING THE NEXT GENERATION

Who better to spread the word about being a John Deere Service Technician at the SBHS Trades Career Expo than the 2022 John Deere Apprentice of the Year, Logan Robertson.

This is the second year that Southland Boys High School have hosted a Trades Career Expo with all boys (years 7 - 13) having the opportunity to come through the expo and interact with the exhibitors. Being able to bring the John Deere Gator into the gym sure did create some interest!

"It was a great 'day out' for the boys, with a lot of positive buzz and beaming faces, and the feedback from staff and students was excellent. For those competitive boys, and who doesn't love a competition, there were many fantastic prizes to be won" said Shelley Davis, SBHS Careers Administrator.

There are a lot of career options for someone interested in agriculture, and not all of them involve getting your hands dirty!

If you know of someone who might be interested in a career, (not just as a service technician), feel free to have a chat with any of our staff, or look out for us at the Southland CareerFest held at Stadium Southland in July.

Thanks very much to SBHS for the invitation to be involved, and for their hospitality on the day.

Congratulations to Michael Crean and Archie Jennings who were the winners of our John Deere hoodie and cap packs.



2022 John Deere Apprentice of the Year, Logan Robertson, is ready to greet and encourage some boys into a career as a Service Technician.



The boys got involved with the chance to win 1 of 2 John Deere hoodie and cap packs.

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## GROWING FUTURE FARMERS

Gore Branch Manager, Reece Brown, was happy to share some wisdom with students from Growing Future Farmers around maintaining farm machinery - when, where, why and how (amongst other insights).

"The GFF group are a bunch of aspiring farmers getting a leg up, so they understand the full dynamics of the farming industry" said Reece.

"They were shown around our workshop, parts and sales department, and given an insight into our day to day running of a fast paced industry" he said.

Growing Future Farmers were actually our neighbour at the SBHS Trades Career Expo, great to be able to join forces to promote the agriculture industry.



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## MEET STEVEN BREEN

Steven has been a technician at GWD Russells, studied at SIT and The University of Otago in New Zealand, and Yonsei University in South Korea.

He spent 18 years overseas working as a University English Professor, teaching International Management and was an English teacher at a Primary/Intermediate School.

Steven and wife Sunyoung came back to Gore in 2021, and while they still have plans to travel for holidays, they are both happy where they are.

There is a farming background in there too, and combined with all of his overseas endeavours, he's a great person to stop and have a yarn with if you get a chance.



Sunyoung and Steven back in NZ



Pictured above is Steven, handing over a John Deere ride-on to Kylie Weir from Longford Kindergarten for them to raffle as part of their fundraising efforts.

Here's a few more facts you didn't know you needed to know about Steven...

**NAME:** Steven Breen

**BRANCH:** Gore

**CURRENT ROLE:** Parts Manager

**LENGTH OF SERVICE:** 13 weeks (ish)

**LAST MOVIE/SERIES WATCHED:** The Mandalorian

**FAVOURITE SPORTS? PLAY OR WATCH?**

Rugby & Golf

**FAVOURITE FOOD?** Roast Lamb on a Sunday

**TEA, COFFEE OR HOT CHOCOLATE?** Coffee!

**FAVOURITE SEASON?** Spring

**FAVOURITE JD (ANY REASON WHY?)**

6600, I spent a lot of time in this model and I loved every minute of it!

## NEVER TOO YOUNG

Gore Sales Consultant Michael O'Neill has started sales training with his Grandson Stanley Newton, and thinks he will be ready to step up when he retires - that's some pretty big shoes to fill!



## A QUICK SWAP OVER

Gladlea Farms weren't mucking around when Gore Sales Manager Andy Fraser delivered their new John Deere 6R 215, replacing their John Deere 6930P, putting it straight to work ploughing.





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INVERCARGILL SU# 64498

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