

Join us at our open day: **Cousins Family – Hiamoe Farm** Horizons Regional Supreme Winner

Come along and see how the Cousins family have developed a farm that is both environmentally and economically sustainable.

Topics covered include:

- The Cousins Family business history of the farm, how they structure and successfully run the farming operations and how they make important business decisions.
- The 'Engine Room' of Hiamoe Farm how stock classes and land use have changed over time, and the role of diversification. See the QEII block and a great view of the farm. Also hear from Guest Speaker Martin Walsh, who has challenged Hiamoe Farm's thinking over the years.
- Integration of trees look at the planting of pines, long standing poplar trials and the re-generation of manuka on unproductive hill sides. Forest360 will cover your questions on the ETS and how they advise Hiamoe Farm around best management of forestry harvest and replanting. Horizons will also be presenting on their involvement with Hiamoe Farm.
- To finish up we will discuss the financial sustainability of Hiamoe Farm, and what's next for the Cousins family.

All welcome, please join us!

WHEN

Thursday 10 April 9am - 2pm Regional Award Event

CATERING

Morning tea kindly provided by Colyton School – donations for morning tea are appreciated BBQ provided by Farmlands and Forest360

Water will be available, please BYO water bottle

WHERE

Meet at 348 Finnis Road, Pohangina 4775 https://maps.app.goo.gl/ xxqMSfUuwhD2arEy6

FARM TOUR

The farm tour will be in 4WD vehicles. Please fill a vehicle with as many people as you can. Please ensure all vehicles and footwear are clean.

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