

The 2022 SOUTHERN WOOD COUNCIL FORESTRY AWARDS

Award Nominations Close
11 March 2022

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FRIDAY 13
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Mark the date in your diary. Start to give some thought as to who you can nominate in your or someone else's company or crew. Who's made a difference? Who's really stood out this year? Who deserves to be recognised for their efforts?

The 2022 SWC Forestry Awards Programme

Yes, *it's that time again*. The forestry awards programme for the lower South Island is running again in 2022. After being cancelled in 2020 because of Covid, it ran successfully in 2021 with an excellent turnout from right across the region. This will be the seventh major awards evening run in the lower South Island. Feedback after last year's awards was outstanding.

The turnout each year continues to be by far, the largest annual gathering of forestry and wood products companies, contractors and log transport operators from throughout the region. Every year, since it started, well over 350 people from the industry have attended.

The 2022 Southern Wood Council (SWC) Forestry Awards evening is shaping up again to be another huge night out for the industry across Southland, Otago and South Canterbury. It's being run by the Southern Wood Council in conjunction with the industry training organisation, Competenz. It's also being well supported by all major forestry companies and key suppliers to the industry from across the lower South Island.

What's being planned?

When: 5.30-9.30pm, Friday 13 May 2022.
Mark the date now into your diaries.

Where: Corporate Lounges, Fourth Floor, Forsyth Barr Stadium, Dunedin.

Format: Pre-award drinks and nibbles, awards ceremony, post award drinks and catering.

Awards Presentations: As well as networking, recognising and awarding of framed certificates to those that have achieved National Forestry qualifications over the past year, the awarding of nine major forestry awards for 2022 (including a new award category this year, Women in Forestry), a special guest speaker and complimentary refreshments are also planned as part of this special evening.

2022 Forestry Award Nominations:

This is a unique opportunity for all those involved in training, in growing, processing and transporting wood and for those who support the industry through the provision of products and services. It's an opportunity to come together to celebrate success - and to celebrate the contribution that our forestry sector is making to the community and economy - in the lower South Island.

To ensure the success of these and ongoing awards, take the time to nominate an individual or company that has stood out in 2021-22. As we have done in the past, the process of nominating has been kept as short and as straightforward as we can make it. And this year, to make it even easier, you can also upload your nomination directly on-line on the SWC Awards 2022 page on www.southernwoodcouncil.co.nz

Each of the awards and awards criteria are listed on pages 3-4 of this brochure. The one-page Official Nomination Form is contained as a separate page to this four-page brochure.

SWC FORESTRY AWARDS CRITERIA

TRAINING EXCELLENCE (Individual) AWARDS

Apprentice of the Year Award

This award recognises an individual's commitment to self-development and skill achievement through the apprenticeship programme. It is focussed on new entrants to the forestry and wood products industries who have displayed a real commitment to the industry and to training. To be eligible for this award the apprentice must:

- Demonstrate a successful and purposeful commitment to personal development through industry training. This includes a consistent training programme, culture and vision.
- Have completed an apprenticeship programme through Competenz in the training year 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022.
- Have their nomination supported by the General Manager/Managing Director/CEO or company principal.

Note: Training provider organisations are not eligible for this award.

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The Award winner receives a major trophy to keep for one year, a framed certificate, a \$500 cheque, \$750 of Stihl Vouchers and a \$500 Protos Integral Forestry Helmet. The two Award runners up both receive a framed certificate and \$250 of Stihl vouchers.

Forestry Trainee of the Year (harvesting) Award

This award recognises an individual's commitment to self-development and skill achievement in harvesting operations through industry training. To be eligible for this award the trainee must:

- Demonstrate a successful and purposeful commitment to personal development through industry training.
- Have completed a minimum of 1 National Certificate in the training year 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022 and have a record of ongoing training with national certification.
- Demonstrate a high quality and productivity of work output.
- Have their nomination supported by the General Manager/Managing Director/CEO or company principal.

Note: Apprentices who are in a continuing Apprenticeship programme or who completed their Apprenticeship during the training year are not eligible for this award.

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The Award winner receives a major trophy to keep for one year, a framed certificate, a \$500 cheque and \$300 of Stihl vouchers. The two Award runners up both receive a framed certificate and \$150 of Stihl vouchers.

Forestry Trainee of the Year (silviculture) Award

This award recognises an individual's commitment to self-development and skill achievement in forestry and silvicultural operations through industry training. To be eligible for this award the trainee must:

- Demonstrate a successful and purposeful commitment to personal development through industry training.
- Have completed a minimum of 1 National Certificate in the training year 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022 and have a record of training achievement through national certification.
- Demonstrate a high quality and productivity of work output
- Have their nomination supported by the General Manager/Managing Director/CEO or company principal.

Note: Apprentices who are in a continuing Apprenticeship programme or who completed their Apprenticeship during the training year are not eligible for this award.

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SKILLED PROFESSIONALS (Individual) AWARDS

Forestry Excellence Award (establishment, silviculture, fire, harvesting)

This award recognises an individual who works within one of these areas in forestry operations and demonstrates excellence beyond best practice guidelines. This award recognises crew managers, crew foreman or supervisors or others in leadership positions. To be eligible for this award the individual must:

- Demonstrate a high quality and productivity of work output.
- Show evidence of on-going training.
- Demonstrate leadership in the workplace assisting others and bringing about positive change
- Comply to environmental and H&S practices.
- Be recognised by their peers, company, clients and wider industry.

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Wood Processing Excellence Award

This award recognises an individual who works within wood processing or manufacturing and demonstrates excellence beyond best practice guidelines. To be eligible for this award the individual must:

- Demonstrate a high quality and productivity of work output.
- Show evidence of on-going training.
- Demonstrate leadership in the workplace assisting others and bringing about positive change
- Comply to environmental and H&S practices.
- Be recognised by their peers, company, clients and wider industry.

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Women in Forestry Excellence Award

This award recognises an individual woman, who demonstrates excellence across a range of skills beyond best practice guidelines and essentially has worked "over and above" in any area of the forestry and wood products industries – silviculture, harvesting, forest management, processing, logistics, H&S ...

To be eligible for this award the individual must:

- Demonstrate productivity and a high quality of work output
- Show evidence of on-going training
- Comply with environmental and health & safety practises
- Be recognised by their peers and employers
- Show good character being positive, honest and reliable

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INDUSTRY EXCELLENCE AWARDS

Training Contractor/ Company of the Year Award

This award recognises an individual contractor or company that demonstrates a successful and purposeful commitment to people development through industry training. To be eligible for this award the contractor or company must:

- Demonstrate a successful and purposeful commitment to people development through industry training. This includes a consistent training programme with the majority of company employees in training or have completed training.
- Demonstrate that the company has developed a strong training culture and vision.
- Have a Competenz training history of at least 2 years.
- Have their nomination supported by the General Manager/Managing Director/CEO or similar of the nominating organisation.

Note: Please indicate on your nomination form whether the company being nominated for this award has 10 or less or more than 10 employees. This is designed to ensure both smaller and larger companies are being judged accordingly for efforts made in industry training over the year.

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Forestry/Wood Products Health & Safety Excellence Award

This award recognises an individual or company that demonstrates above and beyond the general compliance of H&S policies and regulations within the forestry industry. To be eligible for this award the individual or company must have:

- Demonstrated leadership in H&S including building a H&S culture in their business
- Exceeded the baseline health and safety standards as per the approved code of practice for Health & Safety in Forest Operations and Competenz Best Practice Guidelines.
- Demonstrated that their business has been significantly accident free with very little lost time through injury
- Possibly managed a specific event or initiative with outstanding merit.
- Demonstrated a new or innovative health & safety product which will be of advantage to industry.

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Forestry Environmental Management Excellence Award

This award recognises an individual or company working in the forestry industry or a forestry company that has consistently demonstrated practices extending above and beyond the normal compliance with environmental management rules and regulations within the forestry industry. To be eligible for this award the individual or company must demonstrate that they have:

- Complied with all local Council environmental and consent regulations.
- Consistently met or exceeded environmental best practice requirements.
- Managed a specific event with outstanding use of best or innovative practices that benefit the environment, or have developed or implemented a new or innovative product or process that will benefit both the industry and environment.
- Consistently implemented the Forest Owners Association Environmental Code of Practice for Plantation Forestry, Forest Practice Guides, the NZ Forest Road Engineering Manual, other relevant environmental standards such as the Forest Stewardship Council and have met the National Environmental Standard for Plantation Forestry.

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OFFICIAL 2022 AWARD NOMINATION FORM

Nominations are open to all persons who qualify under the awards criteria. The person you nominate does not have to be an employee and you do not need to be a member of the Southern Wood Council.
Anyone can nominate anyone. You can nominate yourself.

Nominee Name: _____

Company/Crew Name: _____

Contact Person (nominator): _____

Email: _____ Contact Telephone: _____

Award Details Required:

- 1. Award Being Entered:** _____
- 2. Reason for Nomination:** (300 words minimum). In writing, tell us how this recommendation meets the criteria and why you feel this nomination stands out and deserves recognition through the award. Include relevant supporting evidence that highlight key points of difference and shows how the nominee stands out from his/their peers. During judging, the nominator could be contacted to get clarification or more information.
Note: Industry Excellence Awards: For these three awards please demonstrate the challenges that have initiated specific solutions, the impact the solutions have had on the business and details or evidence on how any initiative has been beneficial.
- 3. Personal Profile:** Provide a brief overview with consideration as to why the nominated individual/company deserves this award.
- 4. Qualifications:** Full details are not required so please summarise. Full details must be available on request. Please include a precise job experience/history.
- 5. Photograph.** Please provide a photograph of the nominee (head and shoulder shot preferred – in jpeg format with high resolution (greater than 200kb)). Email to: brent.apthorp@southernwoodcouncil.co.nz
- 6. Letter/s of endorsement.** Please provide a letter or letters of endorsement (this is ideally completed by the principal company or forest owner) to support your nomination.

Please post or scan & email nominations and supporting documentation for the awards directly to:

Southern Wood Council Forestry Awards 2022, PO Box 904, Dunedin 9054 or brent.apthorp@southernwoodcouncil.co.nz



BEFORE Friday 11 MARCH 2022

OR, file the nomination and supporting documentation electronically online on the SWC Awards 2022 web page www.southernwoodcouncil.co.nz

For any enquiries, please contact Tel: 021 227 5177 or brent.apthorp@southernwoodcouncil.co.nz

Important Dates:

Award Nominations Close – Friday 11 March 2022

Award Judging – Friday 25 March 2022

Award Winners Announcement - 2022 Awards Function , Friday 13 May 2022

