
**SCOTTISH
AGRONOMY LTD**



WEDNESDAY 21ST FEBRUARY 2024

38th AGM & TECHNICAL CONFERENCE

Murrayshall Country Estate, Murrayshall Road, Scone, Perth PH2 7PH

INVITATION

You are invited to join us for a compelling programme of Speakers sharing unmissable insights around our theme of

“Change and how it works for me”

COME AND JOIN THE DISCUSSION

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU



LUNCH WILL BE SERVED

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BY 16TH FEBRUARY.**

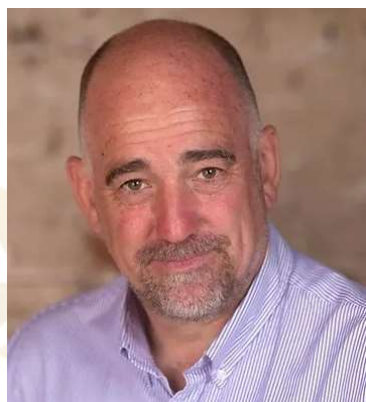
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TRADE ASSOCIATE MEMBERS ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US AFTER 11AM

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CONFERENCE SPEAKERS



Tim Parton
Brewood Park Farm,
West Midlands

Tim Parton is a farm manager in south Staffordshire. Tim Farms using Biology and nutrition, to replace synthetic inputs, he does not use Fungicides, Insecticides, growth regulators and very few herbicides. Cutting Nitrogen back to as low as 78kg/ha while still maintaining high yields. Balance is everything in growing Nutrient rich food.

Tim is also a director of the Green Farm Collective, a group selling Carbon, Natural capital and Certified regenerative produce.

“We are what we eat.”

With over thirty years career experience working within the agricultural and rural sector (eighteen of these years working with membership-based organisations), Teresa has a passion for representing farmers and land managers, helping to secure a profitable and sustainable future for all.

When she took on the role of Managing Director in May 2022, it was to work with the SQC Board of Directors (who are formed of co-op member representatives) to develop and take forward the strategic direction of SQC – ensuring the integrity and sustainability of the scheme and the development of Scottish crop assurance standards for the future.

Despite having circa 3200 farming members who produce over 90% of Scotland’s combinable crops, SQC is a streamlined trade organisation with only 1 employee (Teresa as Managing Director) and no external funding (all income coming from farmer member assurance renewals).



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Teresa Dougall
Managing Director

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| FARMING CO LTD
Matt Waldie
Manager

4th generation farmer at North Callange Farm, Cupar.

Since 2016 he has been farms manager at 4Front Farming Co Ltd which is a collaboration between the Waldie's and three other local farmers to use economies of scale, share machinery and labour.

The farms cover 1200 hectares of arable land and run from sea level up to 650ft with varying soil types from blowing sand through to heavy loams.

Emphasis on a more sustainable farming practice was adopted in 2018 with cover crops/green manures and direct drilling adopted to increase soil organic matter and make the most of government funded Environmental schemes. In the past 3 years Mob grazed cattle have been used in the arable rotation to utilise the green manures and increase fertility in the soils.

4Front Farming is a LEAF demonstration farm and uses IPM techniques across all the farms.

Neil runs the family farm which has good, sandy to clay loam soils, producing spring malting and winter distilling barley, High Erucic OSR, Feed and biscuit wheat, Quaker oats, and beans for racing pigeon food.

He has been establishing all his crops one pass with a Mzuri strip till drill for around 7 years, focusing on soil health, biodiversity sustainability while maintaining or increasing production, producing low carbon cereals for a growing market. Neil has a contract farm agreement on another farm, 12 miles inland growing cereals and grass, does not have any full-time staff and does all the groundwork himself, with 1 additional employee brought in at harvest.

Dealing with all the purchasing and selling on the farm, often done from the combine or tractor cab, Neil is an ambassador for both Valtra and Mzuri doing demo work for Mzuri in his area. He sits on the NFUS combinable crop committee and has hosted farm visits for both politicians and farmers. He is a farmer contributor to Direct Driller Magazine and this year was nominated and then won the Farmers Weekly Arable Farmer of the Year 2023.



Neil White
Arable Farmer,
Berwickshire
SE Scotland



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AGENDA

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| 10:15 | AGM |
| 10:30 | REGISTRATION - TEA/COFFEE |
| 11:00 | CHAIRMAN'S INTRODUCTION |
| 11:10 | 1ST SPEAKER – Tim Parton |
| 12:00 | 2ND SPEAKER – Teresa Dougall |
| 13:00 – 13:40 | LUNCH |
| 13:45 | 3RD SPEAKER – Neil White |
| 14:30 | 4TH SPEAKER – Matt Waldie |
| 15:15 | QUESTIONS / ANSWERS |
| 15:30 | CLOSE |