

Turning knowledge into practice

October 17 to 19 2024

Orange, NSW

CELEBRATE 30 YEARS

of Holistic Management with us

Join us to **toast 30 years of Holistic Management** at Cargo Road wines **Thursday 17th October**.

On **Friday 18th October** we will **Revisit Coombing Park**, Carcoar, and highlight the **Change in Lives and Landscape** holistic management enables, along with scientist Walter Jehne talking soil & changing the Methane narrative.

On **Saturday 19th October** – our Future Forum will delve into **What's Next for Ag businesses?**

- Global trends to Farm activity
- Natural Capital
- Emerging market options
- Adaptive Ag Businesses

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go home energised
-ready to make your ideas reality**

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THURSDAY 17TH OCTOBER WELCOME EVENING - CARGO ROAD WINES

5:30-9pm Celebrating 30 years of Holistic Management in Australia - *Suzie Ward, Anna Coughlan and Peter Lewis*

FRIDAY 18TH OCTOBER DAY 1: 'LIVES AND LANDSCAPES' - COOMBING PARK

8:45 am Registration and morning tea - *MC Peter Lewis*

9:30 am Welcome *Rebecca Gorman AHMC Chair*

9:45 am Coombing Park 25 years on - *George and Melinda King*

10:30 am PANEL: How Holistic Management enables change - from 3 years to 20 years - farmers making changes - *Phil Lumsden, Rachel Ward, Rebecca Gorman & Michael Coughlan*

11:45 am - 12:45 pm Lunch Break

12:45 pm Group rotation to hear each topic (4 x 30min)

- Topic 1: Soil - the sponge - *Walter Jehne (30 min)*
- Topic 2: Farmer brains trust - What are you trialing on your place? Sharing stories of 'What works, and what sparks curiosity?'. *Facilitated by Holistic Management Educators (30 min)*
- Topic 3: Aspects of change and transition - *Jacqui Bell (30 min)*
- Topic 4: Looking to the future - *Facilitated by Holistic Management Educators (30 min)*

2:45 pm Day 1 Wrap up - *George King & Rebecca Gorman with highlights from audience*

3:30 pm Close

SATURDAY 19TH OCTOBER DAY 2: 'WHERE TO FROM HERE' - ORANGE EX SERVICES CLUB

8:45 am Registration and morning tea

9:15 am Welcome - *MC Peter Lewis*

9:30 am Global trends to farming in Australia - *Su McCluskey Special Representative for Australian Agriculture - prerecorded presentation*

10:00 am Australian Sustainability Frameworks - What role does AHMC play? - *Helen Lewis AHMC CEO*

10:30 am Ecological Outcome Verification (EOV)+ Land to Market = Food and Fibre Value Chain Development *Monica Considine*

11:15 am Emerging market options PANEL: The making and marketing of food with credentials - *Grant Hilliard, Walter Jehne, Chris Balazs, Sam Johnson, Monica Considine*

11:45 am The demand for fibre with 'credentials' - *Emma Gittoes-Bunting*

12:15 pm The reality of natural capital markets for farming businesses - *Dr Stuart Martin and Gillian Sanbrook - facilitated by Rebecca Gorman*

1:00 - 1:45 pm Lunch break

Attributes of an adaptive Ag business - for the future (3 x 20min plus discussion)

1:45 pm FINANCIAL - Staying in business - *Mary Johnson*, Succession - *James Hamilton*

2:15 pm ENVIRONMENTAL: Monitoring towards a thriving environment - *Martin Royds*

2:35 pm PEOPLE: Attributes of adaptable people What enables you to adapt? *Sam Johnson*

3:00 pm Discussion Q & A

3:15 pm Day 2 Wrap up - *Rebecca Gorman AHMC Chair*

3:45 pm Close



Rebecca Gorman

Rebecca Gorman is a former journalist now running a beef cattle farm, Yabtree West using Holistic Management thinking and practice.

Rebecca is currently chair of the Australian Holistic Management Co-operative.



Phil Lumsden

Phil and his wife Alison purchased their initial property in 2004 and have added additional land over the last 20 years. They have farmed in a very traditional manner for the majority of that time. They become a member of the AHMC in 2021. Phil and Alison have now started to make changes in their day-to-day management of the properties transitioning to Holistic Management practices.



Helen Lewis

Helen has gained experience in community development, policy advising, Agri-business, national advocacy, and as Co-owner of Picots Farm producing grass fed & finished beef holistically, west of Warwick, Qld. Helen is an Accredited Professional Educator in Holistic Management. Since 2003, Helen has been helping people implement Holistic Management. Helen has been CEO of AHMC since July 2023.



Monica Considine

Emma Gittoes Bunting is the Global Sustainability Manager at AWI / The Woolmark Company. She leads the development and implementation of the company's sustainability strategy, encompassing sustainable livelihoods, climate action, circular fibre innovations and animal wellbeing across the wool value chain. Emma works on a diverse range of partnerships and initiatives with a focus on sustainability and fibre advocacy across on-farm projects, business development and global advocacy campaigns, showcasing Merino wool's potential as a science-backed and nature positive solution in the fashion and performance markets.



Grant Hilliard

Grant Hilliard is the founder and co-owner of Feather and Bone, a Sydney-based retailer and wholesaler of meat and poultry. Starting in 2006, Feather and Bone has a long history of championing regeneratively-minded agricultural producers, foregrounding their particular practice and engaging with their customers in a direct and powerful way.

Feather and Bone's insistence on full transparency at every stage of the production and distribution chain accurately anticipated consumer concerns around animal welfare and the environmental footprint of food production. In 2020 Grant, with co-owner Laura Dalrymple, published 'The Ethical Omnivore', a detailed guide to their butchery practice.



Chris Balazs

Born from the desire to create Australia's best beef, Provenir was founded in 2017 to establish a new category of beef - on-farm processed. By building Australia's first fully licensed commercial mobile abattoir, for the first time animal welfare and meat quality didn't have to be compromised by the necessity of live transport. Requiring laws to be changed in Victoria, Provenir has forged a new path in livestock processing that not only creates better quality meat but aligns with farmers welfare commitments. Chris is a scientist turn farmer, and now butcher that is leading the red meat industry for the better.



Sam Johnson

Sam has been interested and involved since the early days of Holistic Management in Australia. He is an enthusiastic proponent of using the HM process to regenerate land while building a financially resilient business. Along with family members they own and manage Boxgum Grazing, which produces, processes and markets grass fed beef & lamb & free range pork.



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Gillian Sanbrook

I have always been passionate about working with nature as a livelihood. I see Land management as a great privilege and am constantly in awe of Nature's ability to heal and produce.

This has motivated me in my experience as a jillaroo, Journalist, wool producer and wool manufacturer. I now manage a regenerative beef property Bibbaringa south of Holbrook NSW. Here I incorporate a Soil Carbon project and working on a Biodiversity Stewardship Agreement with the NSW Government.

The management at Bibbaringa is based on Holistic Management incorporating Natural Sequence Farming and Biodynamics since 2007

Currently working on a non for profit project Earth Canvas. Linking leading Australian artists and Regenerative farmers to look at the landscape from a creative perspective.



James Hamilton

I'm a facilitator and I'm also a farmer. I'm based in Narromine in central New South Wales, where I operate a farming enterprise with my wife, Amanda. I love farming and have been doing it for 25 years. Amanda and I have raised our three daughters on the farm.

I have first-hand experience of successful succession. My parents were approaching 60 years of age when they developed the succession plan for our family farm between three siblings.

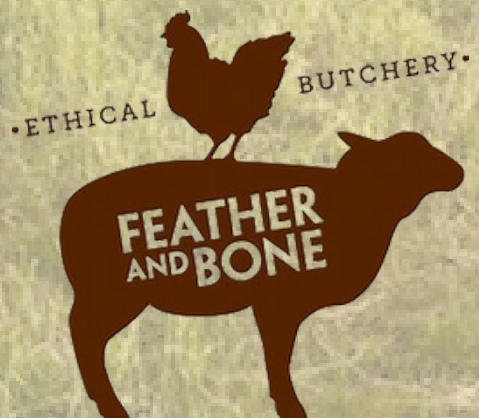
As a facilitator, I've worked across all levels of government, in the corporate sector and small business. To be able to work with families on succession, in 2013 I launched Cultivate Advisory. I love helping people achieve mutually successful outcomes.



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