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Just 3 days to go to have a say!

Farmers around the State have until this Friday to book a spot at the NSW Farmers' Association Annual Conference in Sydney and submit the issues they want debated at the event.

NSW Farmers' Association President Jock Laurie says this year's Conference – *30 Years as One Voice* - will be one to remember, with farmers set to celebrate their 30 Year Anniversary.

"Annual Conference is where more than 400 farmers set the Association's direction for the following 12 months and it's a great opportunity for individual farmers to have a say in the way they want their industry to head," Mr Laurie said.

The 30 Year Anniversary Annual Conference will have a number of highlights including the announcement of Farmer and Young Farmer of the Year, the Awards Dinner, the Young Farmers Forum and Regional Food Fair.

The Association will also turn back to the clock, and highlight some of the important events and people who helped shape the Association.

"This Association has been built by the hard work of thousands of farmers over the years and we want to celebrate the achievements and acknowledge their efforts," Mr Laurie said.

As part of the Annual Conference celebrations the Association is trying to find the person who holds the longest continuous membership, with a trip to Sydney up for grabs for the winner.

"Already we have had plenty of entrants with amazing stories to tell about their time with the Association and I would encourage others to get involved," Mr Laurie said.

All delegates for the Conference must be nominated by their local District Council with details to be submitted to the Association by 5pm this Friday 2 May.

All motions that Delegates want to be considered for inclusion at Annual Conference must also be submitted by this date. Details must be faxed to 02 82511750 or completed online at www.nswfarmers.org.au

The NSW Farmers' Association Annual Conference will be held at the Sydney Showground from Tuesday 29 – Thursday 31 July, 2008.

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