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Southern farmers Convention

Farmers from the south of the state are invited to join the NSW Farmers' Association's biennial Region 11 Convention at the National Press Club in Canberra next month.

This event on Friday 25 June 2010 will explore the theme "Young Emerging Leaders with a Strong Connection to our Rural Communities."

NSW Farmers' Association Region 11 Chair Russell Deane says he is excited to have a great line up of inspirational speakers.

"Obviously our emerging young leaders are of interest and importance to everyone, so the strong links to our communities that some of our speakers have is fantastic," Mr Deane says.

Speakers include Mr John Ridley, NSW Farmers' Association Senior Vice President; Dr Michael Bonning, a depression awareness campaigner and a Director of Beyond Blue; Dr Geoff Cary, a leading international bush fire scientist Australian National University; Ms Adriana Downey, a Green Energy pioneer and Biochar researcher; Mr Ben Fargher, CEO National Farmers' Federation; Ms Serena Lock, Rural and Environment journalist with the ABC and Mr Tim Wilson, Director Intellectual property and free trade unit Institute of Public Affairs.

"This is a chance to bring Members, friends and anybody interested together for an informative and enjoyable day out to hear great speakers on rural issues that affect us all," Mr Deane said.

"I strongly encourage everyone to attend."

People are asked to register their interest by calling the Member Service Centre on 1300 794 000 or call Russell Deane, Chair of Region 11 on Ph: 6226 4466.

Date: Friday 25 June 2010
Time: Registration from 9am, Convention starts 10am
Location: National Press Club, 16 National Circuit, Barton, ACT

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