

## INFORMATION & TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR FORAGE PARTICIPANTS

### Event Information:

Forage 2021. Date: Saturday 17th April 2020. Time: 10:30am – 6:00pm.

Buses depart rear, Orange Civic Theatre, 135 Byng St, Orange NSW. Enquiries Roz Presho 0429 841 602.

**Note – this is a fully compostable event. Please assist us by disposing of rubbish accordingly and using the correct recycling bins provided.**

### Limit to the number of tickets purchased:

Ticket allocation is limited. Our aim is to provide equitable access to all events for our valued members. Due to the popularity of the Forage event, there is a limit of **4 tickets per person** for 'Friends of F.O.O.D' and Business Members. If one person is seen or found to have breached this condition, the second or subsequent purchases will be refunded immediately less the booking fee and credit card charges. (\$20 per ticket).

### Refunds:

A refund (less \$20 per ticket) will be given at purchaser's request BEFORE 19<sup>th</sup> March 2021. After that date, no refunds will be made. *Please read **Special Conditions relating to Covid-19** for our refund policy specific to Covid-19 regulations.*

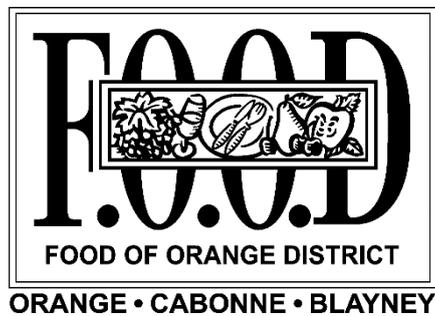
### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION - Grapevine Phylloxera Biosecurity Zone:**

NSW Department of Primary Industries is working with our local wine growers and producers during F.O.O.D Week, and specifically Forage, to help manage biosecurity risks, including the risk of Grape Phylloxera (*Daktulosphaira vitifoliae*).

Phylloxera is a devastating plant pest of grapevines in parts of New South Wales and Victoria. Once it takes hold, it can destroy entire vineyards. Fortunately, Orange is currently free from phylloxera and we need your help to stop the spread.

Phylloxera is generally spread accidentally; with the insect hitching a ride with people on their clothing, cars or footwear after they visit infested vineyards. We may ask you to take steps to stop the spread and protect our local industries. Make sure you don't have any unwanted hitch hikers by following our advice.

The Orange Wine Region has been identified as being a high risk Phylloxera area, therefore, additional biosecurity measures must be put in place for Forage to protect our vineyards. This may include, but not limited to, chemical and water footbaths, whereby each participant at Forage will be required to stand in the footbath for a period up to 1 minute. No responsibility will be taken by F.O.O.D Week Inc for the damage of any clothing or items during this process.



### Grape Phylloxera Biosecurity Measures Checklist:

- I have not been in a Grape Phylloxera infected area in the last 6 months
- I understand I cannot wear the same clothes or shoes if I have been in another vineyard in the last 6 months
- I understand I have to wear fully closed in shoes - sandals, thongs or partially open shoes are not acceptable
- I understand I will have to walk through a chlorine-based foot bath for biosecurity measures
- I understand that if I refuse to abide by any biosecurity measures, I will not be able to participate in the event

[Download the Grape Phylloxera fact sheet to learn more](#) and [Learn more about the Footwear Disinfestation Protocol](#).

### Where to meet:

Patrons are asked to meet at the Orange Council Carpark (at the rear of the Orange Civic Theatre, 135 Byng Street, Orange) – there is plenty of parking in the Car Park. Event buses will then depart for the start of the walk (and the first food and wine station) at Borenore. *Please note for insurance purposes patrons must use the event bus. Private transportation to the start of the walk is not permitted.*

Departure times will be from 10:30am to approximately 1:30pm. Please arrive at least twenty (20) minutes before your allocated departure time to ensure your name can be marked off and your Forage bag can be given to you. Bus times should be selected when booking however depending on circumstances we reserve the right to transfer your bus time to either an earlier or later bus – either way bus times will be confirmed with you before the event. At the conclusion of the event buses will collect you from Nashdale (finishing point) and return you to the Orange Civic Theatre. At the conclusion of the event, buses will be provided to transport you back to the Orange Civic Theatre. Patrons will not be allowed to be picked up by friends or family.

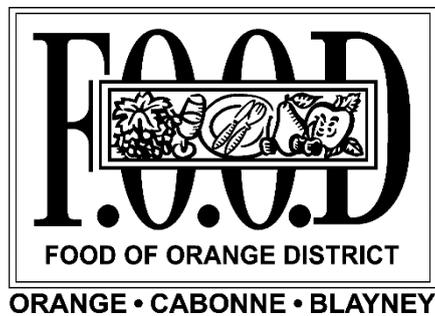
### What to bring:

You will be given a shoulder bag with a wine glass, bottle of water and some information about the route, grape varieties to be found along the way and ordering information about the wines you will taste. You may want to bring a picnic rug to sit on as there will be limited seats along the track, as well as a hat and sunscreen.

For your health and safety, if you have any medications that you may require on the day, please bring this with you. This may include asthma inhalers, epi-pens and other medications. Restricted substances are not permitted.

### What to wear:

The terrain is actively used farmland and as such may have hidden obstacles, fence post holes and may be uneven in places – watch your step! Sturdy footwear is a must (thongs, sandals and high heels are definitely not permitted – you will not be allowed on the bus) and long pants are probably better than shorts. The weather in April is generally delightful but it can change at short notice so a jacket in case of cool or showery conditions could be handy. It is possible that bio-security measures to protect our hosts' environment will be implemented – most likely a disinfected foot bath. Please keep this in mind when choosing your footwear.



### **Level of Fitness Required:**

The walk is around 4.1kms and requires only a moderate level of fitness. But being at an altitude of 900 metres it is recommended that people with pre- existing health conditions consult their medical practitioner before booking.

### **Dogs:**

Other than Guide Dogs, dogs are NOT permitted.

### **Toilet facilities / Amenities:**

Portable toilets will be situated along the track at stations two, three, four, five and the end.

### **Wine and other beverages:**

The Orange wine district produces beautiful wines due to the long cool growing season. At each of the 8 stations you will have the opportunity to sample the district's finest wines. Some people only drink white wines and not reds and others the reverse. At most stations (champagne and dessert wines excluded) there will be a choice and for non-drinkers, Apple Juice and water will be available. Locally produced beer may be available at one station.

People found to have brought their own alcohol will be asked to either forfeit their alcohol to one of the event personnel or be escorted from the event. This is a violation of the liquor license of the event.

### **Smoking Policy:**

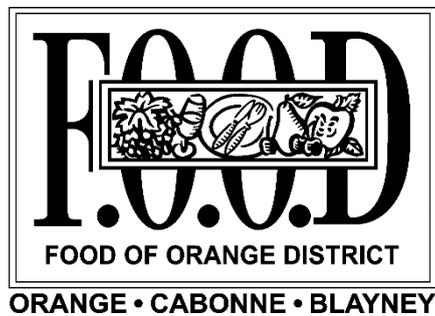
If you must smoke, then smoke at the designated areas located on the outer perimeter of food stations. Butts should be fully extinguished and taken with you or put into the rubbish bin provided.

### **First Aid Facilities:**

A Doctor will be available along the track for triage purposes and our personnel will have both UHF radio and mobile phone communication throughout the day. In the event of an accident please refer to the phone numbers on the information sheet that will be provided in your Forage bag.

### **What if it rains and refund conditions:**

The event will go ahead unless the conditions are deemed to be too dangerous. Daily updates will be posted on our website and we will endeavor to contact you via text message if you have provided a mobile phone number when booking. However, if the conditions on the route are deemed too dangerous or the weather too unpleasant, the event will go ahead at the **Australian National Field Days** site at Borenore (ANFD). Bus departure times and procedure will not change.



If the event is cancelled within 7 days, there will be no refunds issued, unless due to Covid-19.

Forage is an outdoor event and totally dependent on the weather – it is not an event that can be held indoors. The ANFD site will allow the event to proceed – and the wonderful food that has been prepared and wine to be enjoyed, even if we cannot walk the walk!!

### **SPECIAL CONDITIONS RELATING TO COVID-19**

Please take the time to read these special conditions, as the F.O.O.D Week committee has been required to make changes to its terms and conditions and procedures. While COVID-19 public health orders and NSW Government requirements are in place, the terms and conditions under this section will apply.

The changes are designed to help keep everyone safe, and to support our visitors, producers, land-holders and staff in line with current requirements and restrictions relating to COVID-19. They are summarised as follows:

- Please stay at home if you are unwell or pose a risk to others. If you are symptomatic, we may refuse entry to minimise the risk to others.
- While this section is in effect, we are offering ticket arrangements set out below.
- Our venues have implemented changes to a number of our practices – when you visit you will see changes relating to physical distancing, entry and exit points, security arrangements, queuing, bus transport and hours of operation.

The following conditions now apply in relation to tickets for, and attendance at Forage 2021.

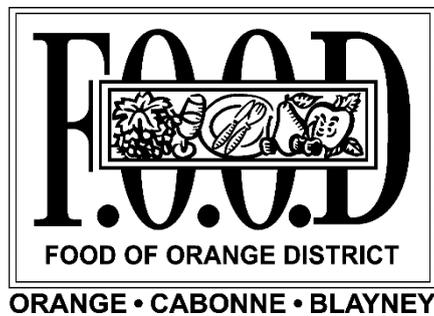
### **COVIDsafe practices and contact tracing requirements**

You can only purchase tickets from Forage 2021 if you provide us with the minimum contact details required by the law, which includes your name and phone number or email address.

In the event that the NSW Health or other Government Department makes a request, we may be required to disclose your personal information (such as full name, contact email and/or contact phone number) for contact tracing purposes. By purchasing your ticket, you are providing us with your permission to do so.

If you are attending the Event as part of a group, as the primary ticket purchaser, you are responsible for knowing the contact details of all attendees in your group. In the event you are contacted directly by the Government, including the NSW Health for the purposes of contact tracing, you must: (a) make the contact details of your group available to the Government (if you have the consent of each group member to do so); or (b) contact each member of your group, and request that they provide their contact details to the Government directly.

If someone else will attend in your place (including where you have resold your ticket(s), you must obtain their contact details and permission to share their contact details with the Forage organisers or require them to contact us on 0429 841 602 or [foodadmin@orangefoodweek.com.au](mailto:foodadmin@orangefoodweek.com.au)



#### a) Conditions of entry

If at the time of the Event either you or any other attendees of your group fall into any of the categories listed below, you agree not to attend the Event:

- feel unwell with any of the [COVID-19 symptoms as identified by NSW Health](#) (such as fever, cough, sore/scratchy throat, shortness of breath, loss of smell or loss of taste);
- have tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 14 days or are awaiting the results of a COVID-19 test;
- are subject to a self-quarantine or self-isolate period;
- have been in contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19 in the 14 days; or
- have returned from overseas or have visited a “positive COVID-19 case location” as outlined by NSW Government in the last 14 days before your intended date of attendance.

You also agree to consider your own safety, wellbeing and any applicable government advice before attending the Event. By attending the Event, you accept any risk associated with the Event, including in relation to COVID-19.

#### b) Ticketing

- Advance ticket purchases online are the only way to access the event.
- Forage 2021 is a limited ticketed event. No tickets beyond the maximum allocation will be provided.

#### c) Cancellation or inability to attend

If a ticket holder can no longer attend Forage 2021 due to the circumstances referred to in a) above you may request a

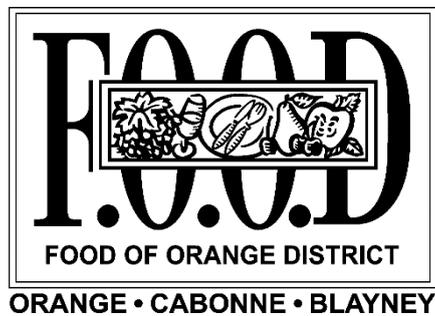
- **Refund**

Except where required by law, we will only provide refunds in our absolute discretion. Any request for a refund must be made **no later than 48 hours before the scheduled start of the event** by contacting us on 0429 841 602 or [foodadmin@orangefoodweek.com.au](mailto:foodadmin@orangefoodweek.com.au). Booking fee refunds are at the discretion of our third-party ticket provider MyGuestList.

- If Forage 2021 is cancelled due to COVID-19 public health orders and NSW Government requirements regarding public gatherings, then tickets will be refunded in full. Booking fee refunds are at the discretion of our third-party ticket provider MyGuestList.

We are not responsible for any expenses you incur or may incur in relation to the requirements or options set out in this section.

We reserve the right to request further information regarding the circumstances in a) which apply to the affected ticket holder.



### **Marshaling, Crowd Control and Safety**

To maintain the safety of all attendees, volunteers and producers, F.O.O.D Week reserves the right to follow marshaling and crowd control practices that align with government safety regulations and protocols that are in place at the time of the event.

This may include keeping each session group together and separate from other groups. Please be mindful that if you and your friends/family purchase tickets in different sessions, you may not be able to catch up during Forage.

### **Enter at your own risk!**

Food of Orange District Week Inc. and the four owners of the properties that the route traverses accept no responsibility for any loss, injury or damages sustained during the walk whether caused by their negligence or otherwise. You enter the event knowingly and entirely at your own risk.

### **For any Further Information:**

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You acknowledge and agree to these terms and conditions on completion of your ticket purchase.