

Making the Most of Your Surplus

Selecting the best method for managing your feed in spring and summer, can be a case of trial and error. There are a number of options: putting in a crop, making silage, or possibly even deferred grazing. Our hosts, **Doug and Tracey Chappell**, have been thinking about what will suit their farm system best. **Wade Bell**, AG360, will talk about how you can go about selecting the right strategy for your system. What are the pros and cons of each, what do you need to consider, what are the key indices and how do you measure them?

Summer cropping

Doug and Tracey have put in a chicory crop for summer feed supply. **Hamish Johnston**, Agricom, will take us through how you can select the right crop for your system and how to ensure optimal yields from your chosen crop variety e.g. chicory, brassicas, and maize.

Making top notch silage

There is an art to making silage. **Logan Scott**, Pioneer, will talk about the tips and tricks for making and storing excellent silage that will provide high quality feed.

Deferred grazing

Old news or the next best thing? Deferred grazing may seem like something grandad did, but [research](#) is indicating it could have a place on modern farms. **Wendy Griffiths**, DairyNZ, and **Ian Butler**, who has used it on his farm, will outline what the research has discovered, the benefits it may offer, and how it has panned out in practice.

Free event, all welcome. Morning tea and lunch provided.

When: 27th October
morning tea 10.15 am for a cuppa,
main program 10.30 am – 1 pm (followed by lunch)

Where: Doug and Tracey Chappell,
84 Maru Rd, Pukeatua,
S/N 73892 (see map on next page)

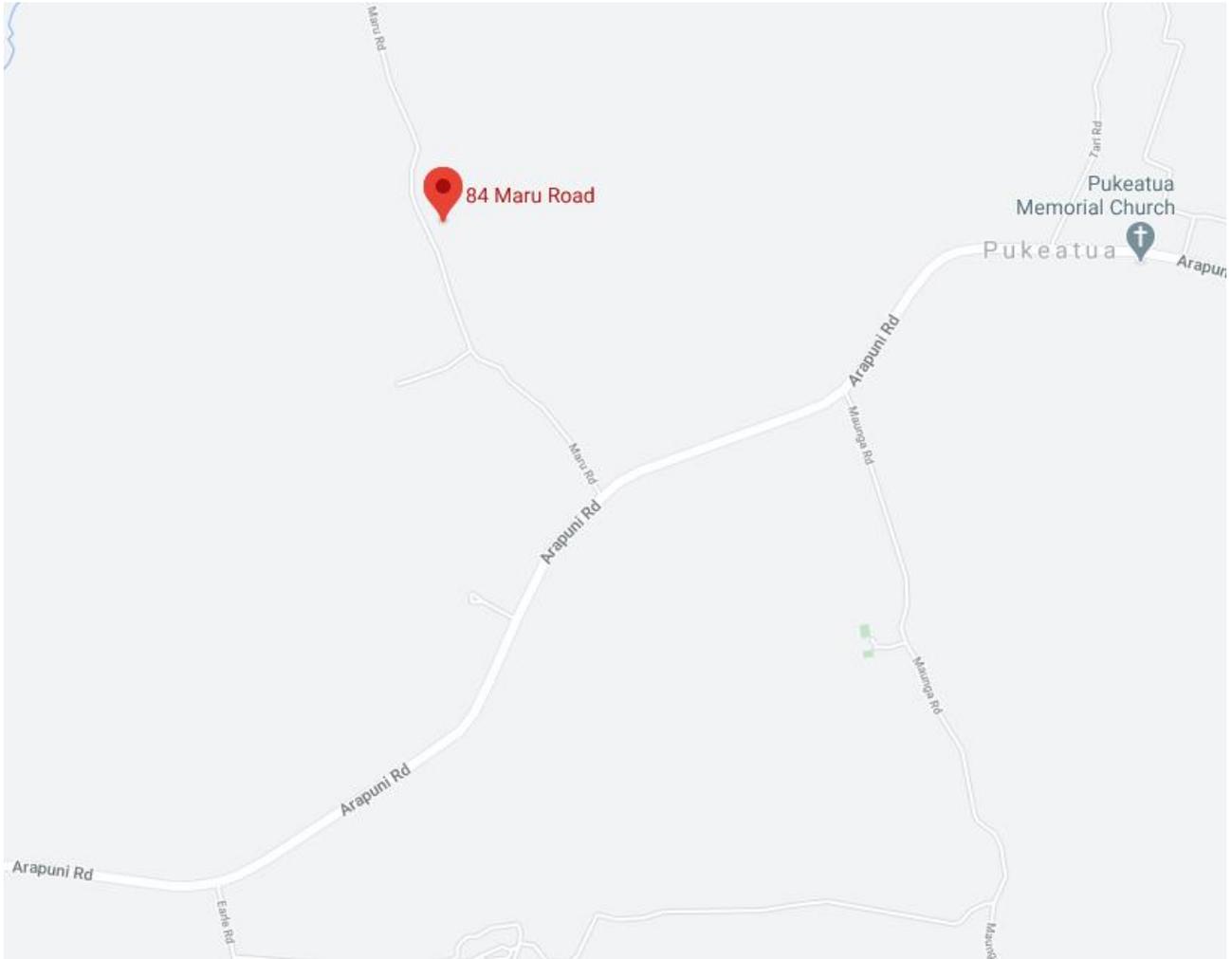
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