

# The Cumberland Group of Surveyors

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## 2006 Development Seminar Dinner Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2006

Presentation title: **Natural Sequence Farming – Beyond the “Australian Story” with NSF**

Presenter: **Peter Andrews** (farmer and horse breeder from the Upper Hunter Valley)

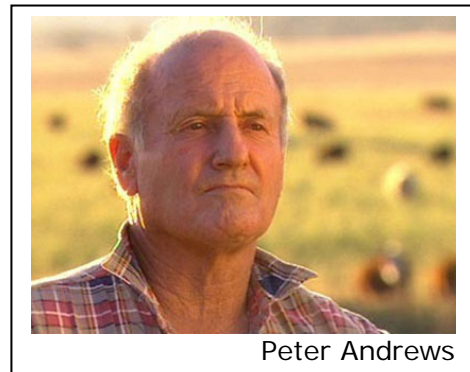
Peter Andrews has undertaken 65 years of observation and 50 years of experimentation on farms with modern ideas melded from the past. Peter's views on working with water, soil, nutrients, salinity, biodiversity, vegetation and livestock have been regarded as highly radical.

He has identified a unique Australian natural sequence of landscape repair processes. These processes enabled our land to be self-sustaining over hundreds of thousands of years of extremes of climate. Peter's breakthrough has been to cost-effectively mimic these processes to restore natural resilience and improve farmers' legacy to their children. Much of Peter's time developing this integrated approach has been marked by extremely hard work and invisibility to mainstream Australia.

This invisibility disappeared dramatically in July last year. A dual program on Peter, shown on the ABC's "Australian Story", has had an amazing effect. In a national poll, it was easily voted the most popular "Story" ever.

Since then:

- Governments
- Farmers
- Scientists
- Catchment Management Authorities
- The general public, and, of course
- Landcare groups
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Peter Andrews

seem to have developed an insatiable appetite for Peter's practical approaches. A range of trial and demonstration sites are now being established across Australia. People are coming forward from the rural community, urban areas and business.

Now, Peter will touch on some of these stimulating ideas and the developments that have occurred since the ground-breaking "Australian Story".

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An excellent 3 course meal and all drinks included is offered for only \$66 inc GST inclusive for singles **OR** \$99 inc GST for Couples (Black tie/lounge suit preferred)

No. of persons attending post seminar Cumberland Group Dinner ..... @ \$66 single (incl GST) or \$99 (inc GST) for couples                      Cheque enclosed for \$.....

Names of people attending dinner .....

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Preliminary assessment for dinner is 1 General CPD point