

**Bacon, Gary, Professor** (from Linked In and Freemasons Queensland)



Christian Brothers College, Gympie. BSc Forestry ANU.1969. PhD in forest science at ANU 1978.

Adjunct Professor at Griffith University, Brisbane 2005-. Consultant and JAS-ANZ accredited auditor to natural resource management agencies, forest processing industry and private forest growers on resource, silviculture, research, collaboration, certification and legislative issues. Executive Director DPI Forestry Business Group during the initial three-year commercialisation phase; concurrently established an integrated Forestry Research Institute to drive local innovation and forge collaborative partnerships on the national (eg with CSIRO) and international (eg with ACIAR) level. Manager of large multi-disciplinary teams of policy specialists, scientists and operatives at Queensland Forestry, NSW Forestry Commission and Queensland DPI. Inaugural Deputy Chair of the national Forestry and Wood Products Research and Development Corporation. Inaugural Member of the CSIRO Wood and Paper Industries Sector Advisory Committee.

Gary worked within both the NSW Forestry Commission and the Queensland Forestry Department, rising to Assistant Commissioner and Chief Executive respectively. Lead the Queensland Drought Secretariat within the Department of Primary Industries,

Gary has held a number of appointments within his forestry profession, including National Secretary, National President and Deputy President of the International body. In 1989 he was made a Fellow of the Institute of Foresters of Australia and in 2000 he was awarded the Jolly Medal for services to Australian forestry.

Carol Gormley, a local primary school teacher, and Gary were married in Gympie. They have two graduate children and two grandchildren who all live interstate.