



Industrial hemp: a wonderful game-changing agribusiness opportunity Hemp in Australia.

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OUTCOMES FOR THIS PRESENTATION

1. To understand the current state of the hemp industry in Australia
2. To understand who the key stakeholders are in the hemp industry in Australia
3. To understand the Policies, Laws and Regulations in Australia
4. To understand the largest blockages to the expansion of the hemp industry in Australia
5. To understand the role of hemp in the global ESG movement and the pressure for 'net reductions' in greenhouse gas emissions.
6. To be informed about the establishment of a new hemp Cooperative Research Centre
7. Discuss the need to influence Government attitudes to hemp, and pressure Governments, both State and Federal, to change bad policies, laws and regulations.



Textile & Composite Industries Pty Ltd

MY HEMP JOURNEY

ABOUT TEXTILE & COMPOSITE INDUSTRIES PTY LTD

- Established in 1994 by Adrian Clarke and Anthony Clarke
- Inventor of the world's best hemp processing machinery, made in Geelong, now known as the D8 Decorticator.
- Exported globally
- Helped to establish hemp in Australia rejuvenation in 1996 by influencing Jeff Kennett, then Victorian Premier, to allow field trials for hemp.
- Travelled globally to educate the world about the wonderful attributes of hemp and the newly-invented decorticator
- Charles Kovess is now the CEO, and Anthony Clarke remains the Chairman.
- Website is [www.textilecompositeindustries](http://www.textilecompositeindustries.com)



This Presentation honours Adrian Francis K. Clarke, the founder of TCI and the inventor of the world's best decorticator, a decorticator that does not need retting of hemp. Adrian died on 15 October 2015. He dedicated the last part of his life to solving the major problem of the hemp industry: how to decorticate without retting.





This is the D8 Decorticator in 2012





This is the D8 Decorticator in 2016.





This is the D8 Decorticator in 2018.





This is the D8 Decorticator that overcomes the problem of retting.





HemP: HP x 4

(c) Charles Kovess



**Healthy
PRODUCTS**



**Healthy
PEOPLE**



**Healthy
PLANET**



**Healthy
PROFITS**



FOOD



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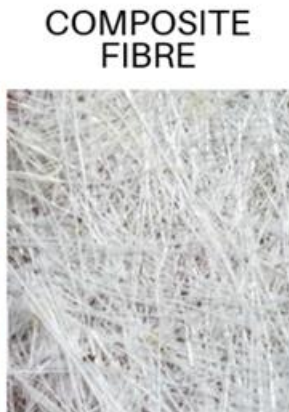


FUEL

HEMP



FERTILISER



COMPOSITE FIBRE



BODY CARE



ROPE, TWINE



PACKAGING



Australian Industrial Hemp Alliance Inc

The AIHA is a not-for-profit Association that was registered as an Incorporated Association with NSW Fair Trading on 23 January 2015.

The purpose of AIHA is to represent people and organisations involved in industrial hemp and associated products at a national level, to develop and grow the Australian industry. There are also various Industrial Hemp Associations in a number of States in Australia, some of which are members of the AIHA. The AIHA operates State Chapters in Queensland and Victoria.

The AIHA is Australia's peak national body for industrial hemp. Our members operate in the product areas of food, fibre, hurd and medicinal cannabis.



AIHA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE KEY AREAS OF ACTIVITIES

Grow the industry

Attract serious equity investment into the industry

Identify and remove blockages to growth

Develop markets for hemp and cannabis products

Promote the carbon sequestration benefits of growing hemp

Six subcommittees including Regenerative Agriculture Subcommittee

National and state legislation harmonisation

Publicity, social media, website

Collaboration with, and learning from, other hemp associations globally

Monitor and use global hemp news feeds

Membership attraction, growth & management



**COLLABORATIONS WITH:
FEDERATION OF INTERNATIONAL HEMP
ORGANISATIONS (“FIHO”)**

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HUNGARIAN HEMP ASSOCIATION

CANADIAN HEMP TRADERS ALLIANCE

**US FEDERAL COUNCIL FOR CANNABIS
REGULATION**

US HEMP ASSOCIATIONS

GLOBAL HEMP ASSOCIATION



AIHA's Corporate Members

Now 15 in number

Include:

Farmers

Processors

Patent Attorneys

Hemp pet food producers



AIHA's Membership

Now 95 in number

Include:



Farmers

Processors

Patent Attorneys

Hemp pet food producers

Marketing companies



Key elements of the current state of play in hemp in Australia and what changes are expected

Food vs fibre & hurd

Expanding acreage

Larger agribusinesses engaging

National Field Days October 2022



Policies
Regulations
Rules
In Australia



Blockages to the expansion of the Hemp industry In Australia

Lack of proven markets

Lack of established supply chains

Lack of investment into the industry

Australia is BIG!



New markets opening up for hemp fibre, hurd and seed. The role of hemp in the global and Australian ESG movements.

The pressure to achieve 'net zero' emissions!



**Latest information on the
establishment of a Hemp
Cooperative Research Centre**

See www.hempcrc.com.au



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