

FAMILY FARMERS NETWORK

FAMILY FARMERS NETWORK MARKETING MANAGEMENT TOOL

A tool developed for and by farmers

This application has been designed specifically for CSA marketing and to simplify administration of the Family Farmers Network. It is a not-for-profit tool built exclusively for Family Farmers Network member farms.

**Take advantage of
our exclusive and
customized service**

WE OFFER A BASIC SERVICE FOR ALL NETWORK FARMS

- ✓ To streamline online registration for farm members
 - A website link to an online subscription form
 - Subscription data exported in Excel format
 - A waiting list and a credit card payment option
- ✓ To ensure more efficient management of the Network
 - Automatic billing of the \$18 Network fee
 - Automatic collection and rendition of farm member personal data (email addresses, etc.)
 - Real-time tracking of your sign-ups, allowing us to provide better assistance, if required

For greater functionality, consider our advanced service!



« This tool has been tremendously helpful for the management of our basket memberships as well as of our sales, generally. Providing both technical and moral support, the team was attentive and competent. It is a continuously improving platform that seeks to support farmers, enable food connections and strengthen community ties! Thank you! »

Magali Casaubon, **Ferme du roulant**, Advanced Service user since 2019

Summary of key functionalities



Basic Service

Advanced Service

Member advantages

STREAMLINED MEMBER MANAGEMENT

A website link to the farm's online subscription form	●	●	●
Significant flexibility in defining delivery locations	○	●	●
Customizable subscription offerings (frequency, options, trial basket, etc.)	○	●	●
Synchronized calendar updates for your farm members	○	●	●
Availability of multiple payment methods, including credit cards	●	●	●
Automatic invoicing upon registration	●	●	●
Email reminders (payment, pick-up, calendar changes)	○	●	●
Options displayed on farm delivery sheet	○	●	○
Mobile management made easy	○	●	●
Waiting list management	●	●	○
Exportable subscription data	●	●	○
Individual basket pick-up scheduling – NEW IN 2020!	●	●	○
Member personification available	●	●	●

MEMBER AUTONOMY

Streamlined and quick online member registration	●	●	●
Self-modifiable member profiles	○	●	●
Member management of his her own basket delivery schedule (holidays)	○	●	●
Optional SMS basket pick-up reminder	○	●	●
Extra basket purchases via member delivery schedule	○	●	●
Simplified registration for returning members	○	●	●

COMPLEMENTARY SERVICES (to sell more produce!)

Online store with customizable basket options	○	●	●
Member credit management (running slate, i.e. système d'ardoise)	○	●	●
Prepaid cards (online and/or in person)	○	●	●

MARKETING TOOLS

Mailchimp integration	○	●	○
Promotional impact dashboard (Facebook, etc.)	○	●	○
Discounting capabilities	○	●	○
« Word of mouth » (social media sharing)	○	●	○
Former farm member targeting tool	○	●	○
Promo codes and discounts available	○	●	○

A PROVEN TOOL

7 years of evolving usage

83 user farms in 2020 :
- 54 using the Advanced Service
- 29 using the Basic Service

20,000 farm memberships sold in 2020

Approximately \$10,000,000 in sales transacted in 2020

ADVANCED SERVICE FEES

SERVICES

- ✓ Secure data
- ✓ Customer service for farmer users (individual follow-up)
- ✓ Group and individual training as required
- ✓ Functionality roadmap user committee sets priorities based on farm needs

- ✓ Payable on a sliding scale on sales increments of \$60,000
- ✓ 1,8 % on the first \$60,000 in sales
- ✓ 1,6 % on the 2nd \$60,000 in sales
- ✓ 1,4 % for sales in excess of \$120,000
- ✓ \$200 start-up fee in year 1

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

- ✓ Credit card sales are optional. If applicable, they are processed via Stripe at a rate of 2.9% plus 30 cents per transaction
- ✓ The platform is build on an open source stack and is operated on multiple servers to ensure redundancy

What does it cost?

Pricing for 3 farms



Number of members	75	150	300
Average membership cost	x \$475	x \$475	x \$475
Additional member special orders	+ \$800	+ \$1,500	+ \$2,000
Total sales	\$36,425	\$72,750	\$144,500
Application cost	\$656	\$1,284	\$2,383
Number of memberships required to recoup application cost	2 ☕	3 ☕	5 ☕
If sales are via credit card : 2.9% paid to Stripe	\$1,056	\$2,110	\$4,191
Grand total – application cost plus credit card processing fees	\$1,712	\$3,394	\$6,574
Number of memberships required to recoup cost if all sales are via credit card	4 ☕	7 ☕	14 ☕

By choosing to use the RFF application rather than a third party for-profit application, you are investing in YOUR Network!



« Given our expanding membership base, emails and calls from members wanting to reschedule or confirm the date of a basket or their holidays were overwhelming. Moreover, general and attendance list management on Excel was a nightmare...Over the winter, as we evaluated options to reduce the time spent on management tasks for the upcoming 2019 season and to improve our work-family balance, I decided to take the leap with the Network solution. After one season, I can say it was totally worth it. I definitely save enough management time to justify the cost. Furthermore, I have had positive feedback from our members who are happy to have a user-friendly tool that gives them full control over their delivery schedule. »

Caroline Pomerleau, Terre Fruitière, Advanced Service user since 2019



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Family Farmers
Network



Rapid response to
needs as they
arise



Dedicated to the
development of
the Family
Farmers Network
and its members

**Individual training sessions will be available in early 2021
to accompany every new user farm.**

For more information, dial 514 543 1103, extension 108.
Please allow 24 to 48 hours for a reply.