



NEW ZEALAND

DAIRY INDUSTRY
· AWARDS ·

GREEN
TO
GOLD

AWARDS PROGRAMME

*Hawke's Bay /
Wairarapa*

COPTHORNE SOLWAY PARK

26TH FEBRUARY 2026



ORDER OF CEREMONY

Dairy Trainee of the Year Introductions

Dairy Manager of the Year Introductions

Share Farmer of the Year Introductions

Speaker: Regional Manager

Speaker: 2025 Dairy Trainee of the Year

Dairy Trainee of the Year Merit Awards

DINNER

Speaker: 2025 Dairy Manager of the Year

Dairy Manager of the Year Merit Awards

Speaker: 2025 Share Farmer of the Year

Share Farmer of the Year Merit Awards

Fonterra Responsible Dairying Award Nominees

DESSERT

Speaker: NZDIA Trust / National Committee

Dairy Trainee of the Year Placings

Dairy Manager of the Year Placings

Share Farmer of the Year Placings

All winners on stage

MEET THE TEAM

MASTER OF CEREMONIES

Anne-Marie Case-Miller

GENERAL MANAGER

Robin Congdon

REGIONAL MANAGER

Ximena Puig

SHARE FARMER OF THE YEAR TEAM LEADER

Amy Hillier

DAIRY MANAGER OF THE YEAR TEAM LEADER

Grace Te Kahika

DAIRY TRAINEE OF THE YEAR TEAM LEADER

Pieter Van Beek

COMMITTEE

SPONSORSHIP MANAGER

Loretta Smyth

TREASURER

David le Fleming

SUPPORT

David Blayney

Jess Morrison

Alice Gysbertsen

Angela Strawbridge

Alvaro Luzardo

Janine Swansson

Shayla McGroary

Rene Ten Bolscher

PRESENTATIONS

MERIT AWARD PRESENTATIONS



DairyNZ Practical Skills Award
Hynds Emerging Talent Award
Vet Services Farming Knowledge Award
MacDougalls Communication & Industry Involvement Award



CowManager Livestock Management Award
Fonterra Dairy Management Award
DeLaval Pasture & Feed Management Award
MPI Sustainable Farming Environment Award
Dairy Training Limited People & Leadership Award
TH Enterprises Ltd Personal Planning & Financial Management Award



DairyNZ People & Culture Award
Ecolab Total Farm Hygiene & Innovation Award
Federated Farmers Leadership Award
Honda Farm Safety, Health & Biosecurity Award
LIC Animal Wellbeing, Recording & Productivity Award
Property Brokers Environmental Sustainability Award
Trelleborg Sustainable Pasture Award
ASB Business Performance Award
Hawke's Bay/Wairarapa DIA Committee Emerging Talent Award

PRESENTATIONS

PLACING PRESENTATIONS



WINNER

NZDIA Trust / National Committee

RUNNER UP

DairySmart

THIRD

MCI & Associates



WINNER

Farm and Leisure Tours

RUNNER UP

Novonesis

THIRD

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WINNER

NZDIA Trust / National Committee

RUNNER UP

Power Farming

THIRD

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JUDGES

DAIRY TRAINEE OF THE YEAR

Belinda Barclay - Rural Professional	Skills Day
Naomi Barrett - Rural Professional	Skills Day
David Blayney - Rural Professional	Skills Day
Andre Bylsma - Rural Professional	Skills Day
Alistair Cole - Rural Professional	Skills Day
Ryan Medlin - Rural Professional	Skills Day
Angela Tanner - Rural Professional	Skills Day
Rene Ten Bolscher - Farmer	Skills Day
Mike Burmeister - Farmer	Finals
Hamish Hammond - Farmer	Finals
Mark Laurence - Farmer	Finals

DAIRY MANAGER OF THE YEAR

Gerard Boerjan - Farmer	Prelims
Bartus Gysbertsen - Farmer	Prelims
Erin Barnes - Rural Professional	Finals
Jarrod Greenwood - Rural Professional	Finals
Iain Sinclair-Black - Farmer	Finals

SHARE FARMER OF THE YEAR

Aaron Passey - Farmer	Prelims
Sean Stafford - Rural Professional	Prelims
Graeme Jensen - ASB	Finals
Lisa Lyons - Farmer	Finals
Willie McKnight - DairyNZ	Finals



ENTRANTS

CONOR ATTRILL - Patoka

JAMIE BAKER - Pahiatua

ETHAN BOSCH - Featherston

JEMMA EDWARDS - Masterton

AMY GIBBERD - Te Ore Ore

JOSEPH JOHNSON - Masterton

ASHLEY MORRISON - Eketāhuna

HUNTER NELSON - Napier

JESSE SHIVAS - Carterton

LARISSA SLINGERLAND - Featherston

JOHANNA WESSELS - Carterton

LUCAS WILSON TAOPUA - Napier



ENTRANTS

GEORGIA BRUNTON - Dannevirke

Herd Size 183

Farm Size 82 ha

Anticipated Production 59,999 kgMS

Farm Owner Brunton Farms

Farm Employer GM ME Brunton Partnership

SAM COOPER - Pahiatua

Herd Size 540

Farm Size 196 ha

Anticipated Production 250,000 kgMS

Farm Owner Dairy Farm Investments
Ruawhata

MICAH WRATT - Greytown

Herd Size 500

Farm Size 160 ha

Anticipated Production 245,000 kgMS

Farm Owner Rosefield Farms Ltd



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**SHARE FARMER
OF THE YEAR**

ENTRANTS

ANNA & DAMIAN HOPKINS - Featherston

Contract Type 49.9% Sharemilker

Herd Size 162

Farm Size 56 ha

Anticipated Production 59,999 kgMS

Farm Owner F H Donald

TONY HUDSON & RACHEL JONES - Woodville

Contract Type 50% Sharemilker

Herd Size 200

Farm Size 80 ha

Anticipated Production 76,000 kgMS

Farm Owner Davey Brown Farming Ltd



NEW ZEALAND

**RESPONSIBLE DAIRYING
AWARD**

NOMINEES

HŌHEPA HAWKES BAY

NATIONAL FINALS ROTORUA 9 May 2026

All regional winners receive complimentary tickets to join us in Rotorua for Nationals Week. Culminating in the National Gala Awards Dinner on Saturday 9 May 2025, National Awards titles are announced as well as National Merit Awards.

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