



NEW ZEALAND

**DAIRY INDUSTRY**  
· AWARDS ·

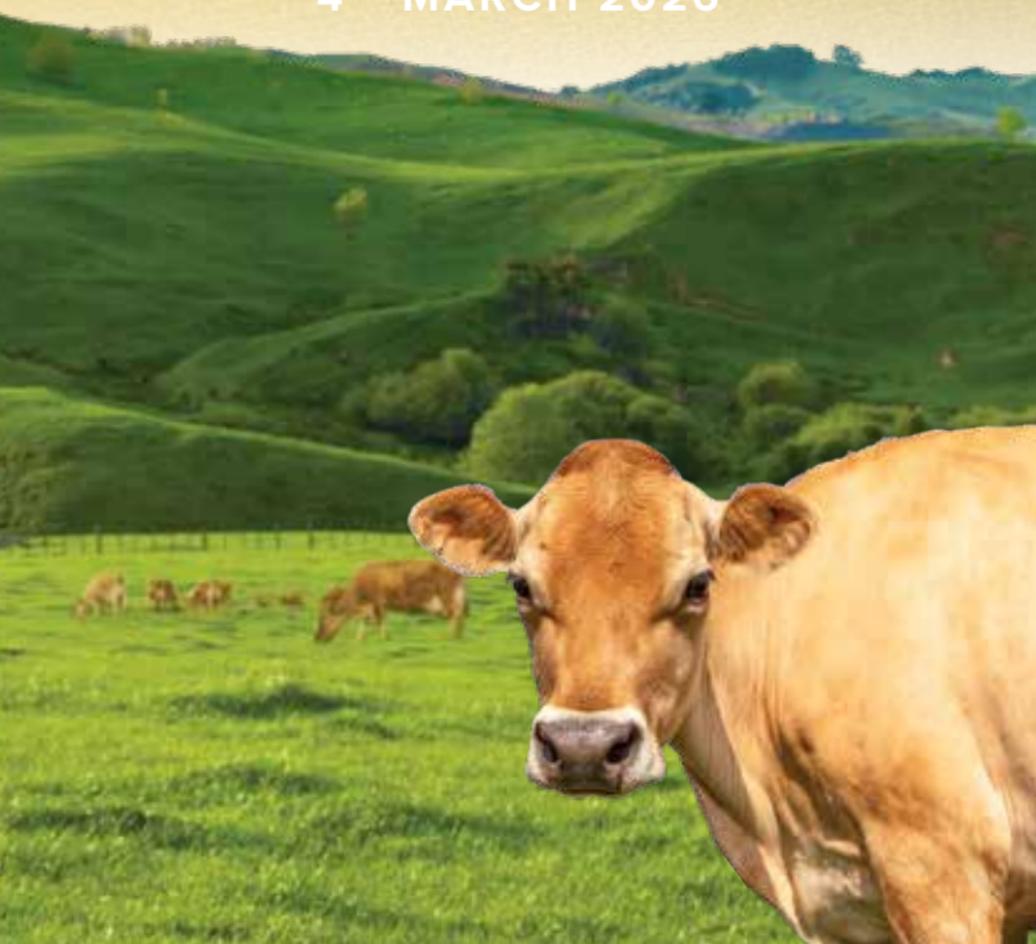
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TO  
**GOLD**

AWARDS PROGRAMME

*Waikato*

SIR DON ROWLANDS EVENTS CENTRE

4<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 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

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

Tyla Ireland

REGIONAL MANAGER SUPPORT

Amy Gillies

SHARE FARMER OF THE YEAR TEAM LEADERS

Thomas & Fiona Langford

DAIRY MANAGER OF THE YEAR TEAM LEADER

Tyla Ireland

DAIRY TRAINEE OF THE YEAR TEAM LEADER

Alex Diprose

## COMMITTEE

TREASURER

Sophie Vosper

SECRETARY

Kate Patterson

SKILLS DAY CO-ORDINATOR

Kirwyn Ellis

SUPPORT

Stephanie Bish

Mary-Anne Shearman

# PRESENTATIONS

## MERIT AWARD PRESENTATIONS

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DairyNZ Practical Skills Award  
Xero Limited Emerging Talent Award  
DairySmart Farming Knowledge Award  
BlackmanSpargo Rural Law Ltd Communication & Industry Involvement Award

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CowManager Livestock Management Award  
Fonterra Dairy Management Award  
DeLaval Pasture & Feed Management Award  
MPI Sustainable Farming Environment Award  
Dairy Training Limited People & Leadership Award  
CooperAitken Accountants Personal Planning & Financial Management Award  
NZ Farmers Livestock Ltd Emerging Talent Award

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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  
Bluegrass Contracting Environmental Sustainability Award  
Trelleborg Sustainable Pasture Award  
ASB Business Performance Award  
Greenstone Immigration and Recruitment Emerging Talent Award

# PRESENTATIONS

## PLACING PRESENTATIONS

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**WINNER**

Brandt

**RUNNER UP**

The Hoofman

**THIRD**

Vetora Waikato

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**WINNER**

Pioneer

**RUNNER UP**

Novonesis

**THIRD**

I.S. Dam Lining Ltd

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**WINNER**

Agrifeeds

**RUNNER UP**

Power Farming

**THIRD**

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# JUDGES

## DAIRY TRAINEE OF THE YEAR

<b>Stacey Carter</b> - Rural Professional	Skills Day
<b>Hamish Flett</b> - Rural Professional	Skills Day
<b>Jenna Korsten</b> - Rural Professional	Skills Day
<b>Peter Morgan</b> - Farmer	Skills Day
<b>Mike Naylor</b> - Rural Professional	Skills Day
<b>Nick Portas</b> - Rural Professional	Skills Day
<b>Kieran Roxburgh</b> - Rural Professional	Skills Day
<b>Wendy Wilke</b> - Rural Professional	Skills Day
<b>Ed Grayling</b> - Farmer	Finals
<b>Kate Patterson</b> - Rural Professional	Finals
<b>Hayden Van der Poel</b> - Farmer	Finals

## DAIRY MANAGER OF THE YEAR

<b>Louise Collingwood</b> - Farmer	Prelims
<b>Logan Dawson</b> - Farmer	Prelims
<b>Andrew Macky</b> - Farmer	Prelims
<b>Nikki Purua</b> - Rural Professional	Prelims
<b>Andrew Reymer</b> - Farmer	Prelims
<b>Kevin Van der Poel</b> - Farmer	Prelims
<b>Carl Kowalewski</b> - Farmer	Finals
<b>Liam O'Sullivan</b> - Rural Professional	Finals
<b>Tom Roodbeen</b> - Rural Professional	Finals

## SHARE FARMER OF THE YEAR

<b>Wade Bell</b> - Rural Professional	Prelims
<b>Shaun Bicknell</b> - Rural Professional	Prelims
<b>Sarah Dirks</b> - Rural Professional	Prelims
<b>Steven Gillies</b> - Farmer	Prelims
<b>Jo Bishell</b> - Rural Professional	Finals
<b>Jay Holder</b> - ASB	Finals
<b>Mark Williams</b> - DairyNZ	Finals



# ENTRANTS

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**DANIEL BATES** - Morrinsville

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**RIO COLEY** - Tīrau

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**MICHELLE CRAWFORD** - Turangaomoana

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**JULIUS DIAZ** - Te Awamutu

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**REBECCA HURLEY** - Hamilton

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**CHRIS HURREN** - Paterangi

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**RUBY MANNION** - Te Aroha

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**ABIGAIL MCLEAN** - Morrinsville

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**RENEE TEERS** - Pukeatua

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**LEVI WESFORD** - Cambridge

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**DAIRY MANAGER**  
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# ENTRANTS

## **CONRAD ADDISON - Pokuru**

<b>Herd Size</b>	374
<b>Farm Size</b>	115 ha
<b>Anticipated Production</b>	180,000 kgMS
<b>Farm Owner</b>	Six 17 Ltd

## **STEVEN AUKETT - Morrinsville**

<b>Herd Size</b>	221
<b>Farm Size</b>	59.45 ha
<b>Anticipated Production</b>	110,000 kgMS
<b>Farm Owner</b>	LC & SA Kay

## **DANIELLE BROWN - Morrinsville**

<b>Herd Size</b>	230
<b>Farm Size</b>	68 ha
<b>Anticipated Production</b>	115,000 kgMS
<b>Farm Owner</b>	LC & SA Kay

## **JAMES CAMERON - Morrinsville**

<b>Herd Size</b>	360
<b>Farm Size</b>	214 ha
<b>Anticipated Production</b>	180,000 kgMS
<b>Farm Owner</b>	Braemar Farm

## **GEORGE EADDY - Ōhaupō**

<b>Herd Size</b>	370
<b>Farm Size</b>	95 ha
<b>Anticipated Production</b>	215,000 kgMS
<b>Farm Owner</b>	Alkemade Dairies Ltd



# ENTRANTS

<b>ANNIE GILL - Otorohanga</b>	
<b>Herd Size</b>	140
<b>Farm Size</b>	56 ha
<b>Anticipated Production</b>	68,000 kgMS
<b>Farm Owner</b>	Doug & Lorraine Courtman
<b>BEVAN ROWE - Putāruru</b>	
<b>Herd Size</b>	400
<b>Farm Size</b>	140 ha
<b>Anticipated Production</b>	130,000 kgMS
<b>Farm Owner</b>	Jenkins Farm
<b>SATBEER SINGH SANDHU - Manawaru</b>	
<b>Herd Size</b>	325
<b>Farm Size</b>	97.50 ha
<b>Anticipated Production</b>	130,000 kgMS
<b>Farm Owner</b>	Carl Thomas
<b>GURJINDER SINGH - Tīrau</b>	
<b>Herd Size</b>	590
<b>Farm Size</b>	173 ha
<b>Anticipated Production</b>	210,000 kgMS
<b>Farm Owner</b>	Piarere Holdings Ltd
<b>DIMARIUS WADE - Te Kūiti</b>	
<b>Herd Size</b>	548
<b>Farm Size</b>	203 ha
<b>Anticipated Production</b>	193,000 kgMS
<b>Farm Owner</b>	Kotare Pastoral Ltd



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**SHARE FARMER**  
OF THE YEAR

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<b>SAM KALMA - Waitoa</b>	
<b>Contract Type</b>	Contract Milker
<b>Herd Size</b>	625
<b>Farm Size</b>	177 ha
<b>Anticipated Production</b>	315,000 kgMS
<b>Farm Owner</b>	Amlak Ltd
<b>ABBY LAWRENCE - Springdale</b>	
<b>Contract Type</b>	Contract Milker
<b>Herd Size</b>	284
<b>Farm Size</b>	95 ha
<b>Anticipated Production</b>	130,000 kgMS
<b>Farm Owner</b>	Sue Brookfield
<b>SICELO NENE - Te Awamutu</b>	
<b>Contract Type</b>	50% Sharemilker
<b>Herd Size</b>	210
<b>Farm Size</b>	75 ha
<b>Anticipated Production</b>	70,000 kgMS
<b>Farm Owner</b>	KW & SH Smart
<b>DEEPENDRA PARAJULI - Waitoa</b>	
<b>Contract Type</b>	50% Sharemilker (50% Equity)
<b>Herd Size</b>	195
<b>Farm Size</b>	59 ha
<b>Anticipated Production</b>	90,000 kgMS
<b>Farm Owner</b>	JTC Farms Ltd
<b>GEORGIE &amp; GLENN VAN HEUVEN - Matamata</b>	
<b>Contract Type</b>	50% Sharemilkers
<b>Herd Size</b>	405
<b>Farm Size</b>	100 ha
<b>Anticipated Production</b>	210,000 kgMS
<b>Farm Owner</b>	Sidella Ltd
<b>EMMA WALTON &amp; JARED VAN TIEL - Puketaha</b>	
<b>Contract Type</b>	50% Sharemilker (12.9% Equity)
<b>Herd Size</b>	420
<b>Farm Size</b>	147 ha
<b>Anticipated Production</b>	165,000 kgMS
<b>Farm Owner</b>	Burton Farm Trust



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# NOMINEES

**ROSEMARY DAVISON**

## 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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The Hoofman  
Trinity Lands Ltd  
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