



CK Import Export Rising Stars

2024 National Hard Antler & Velvet Competition

Saturday 8th March 2025

“Setting new benchmarks for the future of New Zealand Deer”

Competition Classes

- 1 1 Year Old Red Hard Antler
- 2 2 Year Old Red Hard Antler
- 3 3 Year Old Red Hard Antler
- 4 4 Year Old Red Hard Antler
- 5 3 Year Old Fallow Hard Antler
- 6 ‘Sire of Three’ Hard Antler
- 7 2 Year Old Red Velvet
- 8 Red Deer Super Heavy Weight 10kg+ Velvet
- 9 2 Year Old Elk/Wapiti Velvet
- 10A 2 Year Old Elk/Wapiti Hard Antler – Typical
- 10B 2 Year Old Elk/Wapiti Hard Antler – Non Typical

People’s Choice Hard Antler
People’s Choice Velvet
Supreme Trophy Award (Hard Antler)

Class Sponsor

Rockvale Deer Stud
Lynne Rhodes AI Services Ltd
Tower Farms
Crowley Deer
NZ Fallow Deer Society
LJ AI Services
Foveran Deer Park
Brock Deer
Elk Wapiti Society NZ10A
Downland Deer & Studstock
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Deer Genetics Ltd
Ultra Scan, Raewyn Cunliffe
Peel Forest Estate

EVENT INFORMATION

Date: 8th March 2025

Venue: Waipa Racecourse, Racecourse Road, Te Awamutu

Time: 4.30pm onwards. Velvet viewing 5.30pm

Dinner: \$80pp bookings by 1st March 2025 essential

Payment: **Bank Account** – Rising Stars 02 0506 0268055 01

Drinks: Cash required for a ticket system \$5 beer & Wine, \$2.50 non alcohol

Accommodation: Te Awamutu has limited accommodation available, Hamilton Jet Park Hotel (Airport), Kihikihi, Otorohanga, Cambridge or Hamilton

Host: NZDFA Waipa Branch Mike Ferrier 0274 644063

Contact: Helen Clarke 07 8732785 email: campbell.clarke@xtra.co.nz



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COMPETITION RULES

1. Individual entry fees are **\$50.00** per entry.
2. Velvet and Hard Antler can only be submitted from the 2024 growing season; grown spring 2024 – March 2025. All registered entries from the previous season accepted for the Competition.
3. All Velvet judging will be to the “Recommended Deer Industry New Zealand Velvet Grading Guidelines and Standards” and the judge’s decision is final.
4. All Hard Antler heads must be fully hard, stripped and **cleaned**.
5. All Classes are open to all Deer Farmers.
6. All entries are at owner’s risk. Please protect your Velvet and Hard Antler Heads for transport.
7. All entries, including Hard Antler **MUST** HAVE NVSB IDENTIFICATION TAGS ON BOTH STICKS of Velvet and Hard Antler, and match the information on the entry form that has been submitted. **Copy of the Entry Form plus Return Form (in sealed plastic bag) to be sent with the Head.**
8. Class 6 - Sire of Three is open to Hard Antler classes, 1,2,3,4 and 5. Must be heads from the same sire and can include more than one head of the same age, but only one head per individual animal.
9. Only Hard Antler animals of the age at date of competition can be entered, ie:
 - a. 1 year - Born 2023
 - b. 2 year - Born 2022
 - c. 3 year - Born 2021
 - d. 4 year - Born 2020
10. Class 8 – Velvet Heads 10kg + Traditional and Non Traditional (must have a brow tine and not overgrown) Class 8 only is judged on Commercial Value.
11. Any head eligible for entry for this year’s competition that is not ready by entry date must be registered to be entered in next year’s competition (2026) by 5th March 2025.
12. Hard Antler will be judged on the current IOA (Inches of Antler) Competition Inches scoring system. No spread and burr measurements included. All heads (Hard Antler) must be clean and stripped. The judge’s decision is final. (Note: Heads not presented correctly may be rejected).
13. The Stags nominated on the entry form must be available for inspection at the discretion of the Judges.
14. Velvet heads will be graded on the current DINZ guidelines also paying attention to hygiene and handling criteria.
15. The Judges reserve the right to penalise any malformed heads.
16. The Judge’s decisions are final, and no correspondence will be entered into.
17. All transported entries will be returned to Collection Point. Full contact information required.
18. All entries will be displayed and result sheet available (Velvet 5.30pm). The Trophy presentation will take place following Dinner on the day of the Competition.
19. All trophies to be returned prior to the 2025 competition. Winner to get the cups engraved at their cost if required.
20. **ALL ENTRY FORMS MUST BE RECEIVED BY Saturday 1st March 2025.**
21. All Velvet and Hard Antler is to be received for Judging by Wednesday 5th March 2025 1.00pm at Waipa Racecourse, Te Awamutu.



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Drop Off at Venue

Wednesday 5nd March 2025 1.00 pm

TRANSPORTATION CONTACTS

NB - Collection point and final drop off date will be advised by Transporting Company



Clients only

Steve Annan	027 2156671 (North Island)
Murray Coutts	027 4039377
John Williams	027 241 4179
Ben Beadle	027 7287052
Luke Thompson	027 3083426



Ross Chambers	027 280 5586 (Christchurch)
Ross Moore	022 059 9005 (Waikato/BOP)
Craig North	0274 730864 (Rural Livestock Southland)

Collection Agent

Disclaimer

Provelco we will make every endeavour to get competition heads to/from the competition these are sent at the competitors risk, not Provelco's.

Burden Livestock

Keith Burden 027 5985801 (Hawkes Bay/Taupo)

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Contact your local rep



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Check List

1. All entries need to be clearly identified as **competition entries**
2. NVSB Identification Tags on all heads. All other ID to be removed.
3. Include a copy of the **Entry Form** and **Return Form** in a waterproof sealed bag to ensure clear documentation and tracking of heads for judging and return.
4. Heads **must** be at Transportation pick up points as advised by Transporting Companies by date/time. NO EXCEPTIONS.
5. Email a copy of the Entry Form to: campbell.clarke@xtra.co.nz by 1 March 2024
6. Entry Fee **\$50.00** per entry paid by **1 March 2025** **Bank Account Rising Stars 02 0506 0268055 01 Reference Competitor name**
7. Hard Antler Heads have been cleaned/water blasted and packed well for transport.
8. Contacted transportation companies to organise collection/drop off.
9. Booked and paid for Dinner **\$80pp** if attending **Bank Account Rising Stars 02 0506 0268055 01 Reference Name**

Contact Person

Helen Clarke email: campbell.clarke@xtra.co.nz

Home 07 8732785 or 027 2715015



Return Form (to be sent with each entry)



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Competitor

Name

Address

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Email

Phone No

Class **Stag ID**

NVSB Tag No/.....

Collection on night Hard Antler / Velvet

To be collected by

Transporter Provelco/PGG Wrightson/CK Import Export

Hard Antler / Velvet

Collection Point on return

ENTRY FORM



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Competitor:

Address:

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Phone Number:

Class No Stag Name Stag ID Age

Sire..... Dam's Sire Bred By

NVSB Tag Numbers /

Class No Stag Name Stag ID Age

Sire..... Dam's Sire Bred By

NVSB Tag Numbers /

Class No Stag Name Stag ID Age

Sire..... Dam's Sire Bred By

NVSB Tag Numbers /

Total Number of Entries@\$50.00 each

Number for Dinner.....@\$80.00pp

Total Payment \$.....

Bank Account: Rising Stars 02 0506 0268055 01 Reference Competitor name

Disclaimer: Shipping companies can't be held responsible for damage during freight. I am aware that damage will affect the score result and I have sufficiently protected the hard antler ie bubble wrap .

Signature.....

I declare these details on the Entry Form to be true and I accept, and will abide by the competition Rules.

Signature.....

Email entry to: campbell.clarke@xtra.co.nz

Entry Form and Return Form to be sent with head in SEALED plastic bag.