



# XCELL RISING STARS

## 2013 National Hard Antler & Velvet Competition

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

### Te Awamutu Racecourse – Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2013

Racecourse Road, Te Awamutu

#### COMPETITION CLASSES

1. 1 Year Old Red Hard Antler..... Rockvale Deer Stud
2. 2 Year Old Wapiti Hard Antler.....C K Import Export
3. 2 Year Old Red Hard Antler.....Deer Reproduction Services
4. 2 Year Old Fallow Hard Antler.....Fallow Deer Society Plate
5. 3 Year Old Red Hard Antler.....Tower Farms
6. 2 Year Old Red Velvet.....Foveran Deer Park
7. Red Deer Super Heavy Weight 10 kg+ Velvet...Tradedeer.co.nz
8. Open Hard Antler Sire of Three\*.....LJ AI Services

#### SPONSORED BY

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- Peoples' Choice Hard Antler.....Rotorua Deer Transport
  - People's Choice Velvet.....Ultra Scan, Raewyn Cunliffe
  - Supreme Trophy Award (Hard Antler).....Peel Forest Estate
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#### EVENING PROGRAMME

- 5.00pm – 7.00pm.....Viewing of Heads
- 5.00pm – late.....Bar is Open
- 6.00pm – 6.45pm.....Chelsea Marriner and her Performing Dogs
- 7.00pm.....Dinner at the 'Course'
- 8.00pm.....Presentations & Accolades
- 8.30pm till late.....Fun, Frivolity and Laughter



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### **COMPETITION INFORMATION & COLLECTION POINTS**

- ◆ All entries need to be clearly identified as competition entries
- ◆ Include a copy of the Entry Form and the Return Form with the head(s)
- ◆ All entry forms to be received by Friday 8<sup>th</sup> Feb 2013
- ◆ All heads to be received in Hamilton from 8am Monday 11<sup>th</sup> & no later than 11am Wednesday 13 Feb 2013
- ◆ Judging of Hard Antler and Velvet heads will be carried out from Wed 15 Feb 2013
- ◆ PGGWrightson stores/velvet depots and the PGGWrightson Deer team are collection points for entries
- ◆ All South Island entries must be at PGGWrightson Velvet, 482b Springs Rd, Prebbleton, Christchurch by 9am Monday 11<sup>th</sup> Feb
- ◆ PGGWrightson despatch days are from: Invercargill – Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> Feb, Mosgiel & Blenheim - Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> Feb, Timaru – Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> Feb
- ◆ South Island entries will be delivered back to Christchurch on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> Feb 2013.
- ◆ \*Class 8 open to Hard Antler classes 1,2,3,4,5 & must include heads from the same sire & can include more than one head of the same age, but only one head per individual animal, even if 2 heads are eligible to be entered for that animal in that year

### **For assistance with transport, please contact:**

→ **South Island** – Tony Cochrane Ph: 03 341 4328, Cell: 0275 918 438, [tcochrane@pggwrightson.co.nz](mailto:tcochrane@pggwrightson.co.nz)

→ **North Island** - Graham Lawson Ph: 07 873 2763 [huntingdon1@xtra.co.nz](mailto:huntingdon1@xtra.co.nz)

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### **EVENT & CONTACT INFORMATION**

- ♣ Dinner bookings are essential & must be received by Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> Feb. 2013. *Refer Entry Form*
- ♣ For accommodation contact: Te Awamutu Visitor Information Centre, 07 871 3259, [ta.info@xtra.co.nz](mailto:ta.info@xtra.co.nz)
- ♣ We are happy to ‘pick up and drop off’ to the airport. Bookings required
- ♣ As no fax is available, if you prefer to ‘phone book’ for dinner, enter heads or have any queries contact:

Graham & Shelley Lawson  
XCELL Rising Stars  
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### **COMPETITION RULES**

*Please register your entry to ensure your entry is expected at our collection points*

1. Individual entry fees are: \$45 for the 1st entry & \$35 for each subsequent entry.
2. All judging will be to the “Recommended Deer Industry New Zealand Velvet Grading Guidelines and Standards” and the judge’s decision is final. (Note all velvet heads need to have a trez tyne with C1 & C2 measurement.
3. **All Classes are open to all deer farmers**, not just NZDFA subscription paying members.
4. All entries are at owner’s risk.
5. 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.
6. Velvet and Hard Antler can only be submitted from the 2012 growing season; grown Spring 2012 - Feb 2013 - see (8) for exceptions
7. Only Hard Antler animals of that age at date of competition can be entered i.e.:
  - i. 1 year – Born 11
  - ii. 2 year – Born 10
  - iii. 3 year – Born 09

More than one hard antler head can be entered for the same animal only if the head for last year was cut after 15th February 2011 (last year’s competition deadline) and registered with organisers.

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. Hard Antler will be judged on the current DFA competition inches scoring system. No spread and burr measurements included. All heads (hard antler) must be **clean** and stripped.

*(Note: Heads not presented correctly may be rejected)*

8. The Stags nominated in the entry form must be available for inspection at the discretion of the judges and the Competition Committee.
9. Velvet heads will be graded on the current DINZ guidelines also paying attention to hygiene and handling criteria.
10. The Judges decisions are final and no correspondence will be entered into.
11. Clear instructions **must be supplied** as to return of antler or dispersal of velvet/ hard antler after the competition. South Island entries will be delivered back to Christchurch on Wednesday 20th February 2013.
12. PGGWrightson velvet depots are collection points for your entries. Please ensure **ALL ENTRIES ARE CLEARLY IDENTIFIED AS COMPETITION ENTRIES** and please take note of delivery deadlines for collections to make sure your entry reaches us in time.
13. Results and trophy presentation will take place at the dinner on the day of the competition. All entries will be displayed prior to the dinner at the Waipa Racecourse, Te Awamutu.
14. The Judges reserve the right to penalise any malformed heads.
  - **All entry forms must be received** or registered, no later than **Friday 8th Feb 2013**.
  - All velvet and hard antler to be received **in Hamilton** from 8am Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February and no later than **11am Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2013**



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## BOOKING AND ENTRY FORM

Competitor \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ tickets for the **Awards Dinner @\$60 per ticket.** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to enter \_\_\_\_\_ entries in the **Competition @ \$45** for my 1st entry & **\$35 for each of my subsequent entries** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is a cheque for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ payable to National Hard Antler and Velvet Competition.

*Deposits can be made to Westpac 03 1568 0250250 000 – please use name as reference*

Class No	Stag Identification (Name & Tag ID)	NVSB Tag No.	Age	Sire	Dam's Sire
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*I declare these details to be true and I accept, and will abide by the competition rules.*

\_\_\_\_\_ **Signature**



