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RISING STARS

2016 National Hard Antler & Velvet Competition

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

Arawa Lounge – Saturday 20th February 2016

Arawa Park Racecourse - Fenton Street - Rotorua

COMPETITION CLASSES

SPONSOR

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| 1. | 1 Year Old Red Hard Antler..... | Rockvale Deer Stud |
| 2. | 2 Year Old Red Hard Antler | Deer Reproduction Services |
| 3. | 3 Year Old Red Hard Antler..... | Tower Farms |
| 4. | 2 Year Old Elk/Wapiti Hard Antler..... | C.K.Import/Export |
| 5. | 2 Year Old Fallow Hard Antler..... | Farmlands Co-Operative |
| 6. | ‘Sire of Three’ Hard Antler..... | LJ AI Services |
| 7. | 2 Year Old Red Velvet..... | Foveran Deer Park |
| 8. | Red Deer Super Heavy Weight 10 kg+ Velvet..... | Tradedeer.co.nz |
| 9. | 2 Year Old Elk/Wapiti Velvet..... | Elk Wapiti Society NZ |
| • | Peoples’ Choice Hard Antler..... | Rotorua Deer Transport |
| • | People’s Choice Velvet..... | Ultra Scan, Raewyn Cunliffe |
| • | Supreme Trophy Award (Hard Antler)..... | Peel Forest Estate |

PROGRAMME GUIDE

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| * 5.00 | Venue & Bar open |
| * 5.30 – 6.30pm..... | Viewing of Velvet |
| * 5.30pm | Hard Antler Display open |
| * 6.00pm..... | Entree Served followed by dinner |
| * 7.00pm..... | Awards Presentation |
| * 9.30pm..... | Heads able to be collected |

EVENT – CONTACT - ACCOMODATION INFORMATION

→For general enquiries please contact:

→**Sharon Love** – Phone: **07 33 23 647** Mob: **027 486 4341** Email: tradedeer@xtra.co.nz

→Dinner bookings are essential. Only 200 tickets available & must be received by Friday 12th February 2016

→Eftpos is NOT available – CASH BAR ONLY

→ For accommodation in Rotorua - It will pay to book early as there are a few events happening the same weekend

→‘visit - www.rotoruanz.com/visit/accommodation/

Fully self contained Camper vans and Caravans can be parked at the venue overnight



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION: [PGG WRIGHTSON, Provelco & CK Imports \(Colin Stevenson\)](#)

Will **all be collection points for entries** and Hawkers & Fogarty (south island) and Phil ward (north island) can assist getting your entries to the collection points if needed.

Please read detail carefully

- ◆ 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)
- ◆ Email a copy of Entry Form and Return form to Sharon Love or mail to:
Tradedeer 421 Te Waerenga Rd R D 6 Rotorua 3096.
- ◆ All entry forms to be received by Friday 12th Feb 2016 and Heads must be at collection points.
- ◆ Judging of Hard Antler and Velvet heads will be carried out from Wed 17th Feb 2016 in Cambridge
- ◆ Class 6 - open to Hard Antler classes 1,2,3,4,5 and 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
- ◆ Class 4 - Elk/Wapiti Hard Antler will be judged as 'typical' and 'non-typical' heads

◆◆◆◆ TRANSPORTATION OF HEADS ◆◆◆◆

Contact must be made to arrange pick-up of heads - Heads leave Christchurch 9am Monday 15th February 2016 and must be at all collection points Friday 12th February in all areas.

- ◆ For **NORTH ISLAND** collections: **Contact - Graham Lawson 07 873 2763**
huntingdon1@xtra.co.nz
- ◆ For **SOUTH ISLAND** collections: **Contact - Kelly Bennett 03 692 2982**
velveter@xtra.co.nz



All entry forms received and dinner tickets booked before Monday 8th February will go in the draw to win a spa package for 2 at Rotorua's award winning Polynesian Spa. The draw will be made on Tuesday 9th February and a voucher will be posted to the winner to use the Weekend of the competition. Each entry and each dinner ticket will be one entry in the draw.



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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 per entry.
2. All velvet 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 2015 growing season; grown spring 2015 - Feb 2016.
7. Only Hard Antler animals of that age at date of competition can be entered i.e.:
 - i. 1 year – Born 14
 - ii. 2 year – Born 13
 - iii. 3 year – Born 12

More than one hard antler head can be entered for the same animal only if the head for last year was cut after 14th February 2015 (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 IOA (Inches of Antler) 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 on the entry form must be available for inspection at the discretion of the judges.
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.
12. If collection of heads is required, they must be booked in for collection by contacting either the North or South Island representatives as listed on Page 2
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 Arawa Lounge - Arawa Park Racecourse - Rotorua.
14. The Judges reserve the right to penalise any malformed heads.
15. **All entry forms must be received or registered, no later than Friday 12th February 2016.**
16. All velvet and hard antler to be received in **Cambridge** from 8am Monday 15th February and no later than



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DINNER BOOKING AND ENTRY FORM

Competitor _____

Address _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Please reserve _____ tickets for the **Awards Dinner @\$40 per ticket.** \$ _____

I would like to enter _____ entries in the **Competition @ \$45 per entry** \$ _____

Total: \$ _____

Enclosed is a cheque for \$ _____ payable to **XCELL RISING STARS.**

Deposits can be made to Westpac 03-0442-0297331-000 – please use your name/farm-name as reference

Class No	Stag Identification <i>(Name & Tag ID)</i>	NVSB Tag No.	Age	Sire	Dam's Sire	Bred By <i>(i.e. Self, Name of Stud, by AI or ET)</i>

I declare these details to be true and I accept, and will abide by the competition rules.



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INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE RETURN OF VELVET & HARD ANTLER

PLEASE ENTER FULL DETAILS TO ENSURE CORRECT RETURN OF YOUR HEADS

Velvet To be collected on the night by: _____

Or Send to:

Hard Antler To be collected on the night by: _____

Or Send to:

Your Name _____

Your Address _____

Your Phone _____