



**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19<sup>TH</sup> 2011**

Xcell Breeding Services

**National Rising Stars Hard Antler & Velvet Competition**

**1, 2 & 3 yr Hard Antler & 2 yr & Super Heavy weight 10kg + Velvet**

Setting new benchmarks for the future of New Zealand Deer

The Xcell Breeding Services National Rising Stars Hard Antler and Velvet Competition will be held at Tower Farms on **Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2011**  
Competition viewing from **5.30pm** followed by the awards dinner at **7pm**  
Venue: **The Oaks – Tower Farms, 188A Discombe Rd, Cambridge, Hamilton.**

Competition Classes:

1. National **1 Year Old Red Hard Antler** – Rockvale Deer Stud Trophy
- 1a National **1 Year Old Wapiti Hard Antler** – Wapiti Society Trophy / CK Import Export Sponsor
2. National **2 Year Old Red Hard Antler** – Deer Reproduction Services Trophy
- 2a National **2 Year Old Fallow Hard Antler** – Fallow Deer Society Plate / Farmlands Sponsor
3. National **3 Year Old Red Hard Antler** – Tower Farms Trophy
4. National **2 Year Old Red Velvet** – National Deer Horn Trophy / Foveran Deer Park Sponsor
5. National Red Deer **Super Heavy Weight 10 kg + Velvet** Sarnia Trophy / Tradedeer.co.nz Sponsor
6. National **Open Hard Antler Sire of Three** – LJ AI Services Trophy

Entry fees **\$40 per individual entry**. Each entry will be entitled to a \$50 Xcell semen collection voucher.

To ensure correct coordination of transport **please register all entries by phone, fax or e-mail** to Vanessa Crowley; 07 8275033, Cell: 02102292672, Fax: 07 8231664 or [risingstars@hotmail.co.nz](mailto:risingstars@hotmail.co.nz) with the class, number of entries, contact name, phone number and location of antler and velvet heads.

PGGWrightson stores/velvet depots and the PGGWrightson Deer team are collection points for your entries. All South Island entries must be at NZVM 482 b Springs Rd, Prebbleton, Christchurch by 9 am Monday 14<sup>th</sup> February. PGGWrightson despatch days are from; - Invercargill Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> February - Mosgiel and Blenheim Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> February and Timaru Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> February. South Island entries will be delivered back to Christchurch on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2011. 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 – Steve Borland Ph: 07 872 4679 [southerndeer@xtra.co.nz](mailto:southerndeer@xtra.co.nz)

**ALL ENTRIES NEED TO BE CLEARLY IDENTIFIED AS COMPETITION ENTRIES and please include a copy of the entry form with the head(s)**

**All entry forms to be received by Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2011 - All heads to be received in Cambridge from 8.00am Monday 14<sup>th</sup> and no later than 11.00am Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2011.** Judging of Hard Antler and Velvet heads will be carried out from Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> February.

On Saturday February 19<sup>th</sup> all heads entered will be on display from 5.30pm at The Oaks -Tower Farms. The Bar will be open from 5.30pm and the winners will be announced at the awards dinner starting at 7pm. Dinner Tickets are \$60.00 per person and **must** be booked by Wednesday 16th February.

Restricted space means **TICKETS ARE STRICTLY LIMITED.**

Accommodation suggestions: please see attached sheet with locations and price options.

For any enquiries and to book dinner tickets please contact – Vanessa Crowley, 07 8275033, Cell: 02102292672 Fax: 07 8231664 Email: [risingstars@hotmail.co.nz](mailto:risingstars@hotmail.co.nz)

All **posted** entries forms please send to:

C/o Vanessa Crowley, 151 Redoubt Rd, RD3, Cambridge





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- 1a National **1 Year Old Wapiti Hard Antler** – Sponsored by C K Import Export
2. National **2 Year Old Red Hard Antler** – Sponsored by Deer Reproduction Services
- 2a National **2 Year Old Fallow Hard Antler** – Sponsored by Farmlands
3. National **3 Year Old Red Hard Antler** – Sponsored by Tower Farms
4. National **2 Year Old Red Velvet** –Sponsored by Foveran Deer Park
5. National Red Deer **Super Heavy Weight 10 kgs + Velvet** Sponsored by Tradedeer.co.nz
6. National **Open Hard Antler Sire of Three** –Sponsored by LJ AI Services Trophy

*-This is open to Hard antler classes 1,1a, 2,2a & 3 and must include 3 heads from the same sire and 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.*

All entries will also be judged for;

**Peoples Choice Hard Antler** Sponsored by Rotorua Deer Transport or

**Peoples Choice Velvet** Sponsored by Ultra Scan Raewyn Cunliffe

All hard antler entries will also be judged for the **Supreme Trophy Award** Sponsored by Peel Forest Estate.

**Competitor** .....

**Address**.....

**E-mail**.....**Phone / Fax** .....

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

I would like to enter \_\_\_\_\_ entries in the **competition @ \$40 each:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Each entry receives a \$50 Xcell Semen collection voucher)

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

**Enclosed is a cheque for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ payable to the 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.



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1. **Please Register your entry to ensure your entry is expected at our collection points**
2. Individual entry fees are \$40 per entry: (Each entry receives a \$50 Xcell Semen collection voucher)
3. 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.
4. All Classes are open to all deer farmers, not just NZDFA subscription paying members.
5. All entries are at owner's risk.
6. 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.
7. Velvet and Hard Antler can only be submitted from the 2010 growing season; grown Spring 2010 - Feb 2011 - see (8) for exceptions
8. Only Hard Antler animals of that age at date of competition can be entered i.e.:
  - i. 1 year – Born 09
  - ii. 2 year – Born 08
  - iii. 3 year – Born 07More than one hard antler head can be entered for the same animal only if the head for last year was cut after 17th February 2010 (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 by Hub Hall and assisting judges - no spread and burr measurements included. All heads (hard antler) must be **clean** and stripped.  
(Note: Those heads not presented correctly may be rejected)
9. The Stags nominated in the entry form must be available for inspection at the discretion of the judges and the Competition Committee.
10. Velvet heads will be graded on the current DINZ guidelines also paying attention to hygiene and handling criteria.
11. The Judges decisions are final and no correspondence will be entered into.
12. 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 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2011.
13. 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.
14. 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 Oaks – Tower Farms at 5.30pm Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2011.

**All entry forms must be received** or registered, no later than **Friday 11th Feb 2011.**

All velvet and hard antler to be received **in Cambridge** from 8am Monday 14<sup>th</sup> February and no later than **11am Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2011.**

**Please record full instructions for the return of your entries on the attached sheet.**



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## Instructions for the Return of Velvet and Hard Antler:

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Accommodation is currently available at the following locations:

*In Cambridge*

**Captains Quarters – 57a Hamilton Rd, Cambridge 07 8278989  
Rooms from \$125**

**No 1 Motel – 87-89 Victoria Rd, Cambridge 07 8231467  
Rooms from \$110**

**Cambrian Lodge Motel – 63 Hamilton Rd, Cambridge 07 8277766  
Rooms from \$90**

*Between Cambridge and Hamilton*

**Hamilton Airport Motor Inn - Mystery Creek Hamilton (0800) 106 679  
Rooms from \$112 per night [www.airportinn.co.nz](http://www.airportinn.co.nz)**

*North of Cambridge – Hamilton*

**Ventura Hamilton - 23 Clarence St (07) 838 0110  
Rooms from \$115 [www.venturainns.co.nz](http://www.venturainns.co.nz)**

*Links to more options*

**[www.jasons.com](http://www.jasons.com) or [www.Wotif.com](http://www.Wotif.com) or [www.farmlands.co.nz/farmlands-card](http://www.farmlands.co.nz/farmlands-card)  
for accommodation you can pay for with your Farmlands card.**