

BNZ Partners Dairy Business of the Year

Identifying the Most Profitable Dairy Farm Businesses in New Zealand

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**Every entrant receives a comprehensive farm business analysis report
that examines all areas of their farming operation**

In addition there will be:

- ☑ Six regional winners – Northland, Waikato/Bay of Plenty, Taranaki, Wairarapa/Manawatu, Canterbury, and Otago/Southland will be announced who will each receive a \$1,000 cash prize
- ☑ Three farm system winners (>85% pasture in diet, 65%-85% pasture in diet, <65% pasture in diet) will be announced who will each receive a \$1,000 cash prize
- ☑ One most improved farm business winner for a second year entrant who will receive a \$1,000 cash prize
- ☑ One supreme winner will receive a travel package worth \$6000 including entry into the Trans-Tasman challenge, and attendance at the Australian Dairy Business of the Year conference and finalists 2-day retreat.

All finalists will win free entry to the Dairy Business of the Year seminar that will look at ways to profitably develop your farm business and awards dinner. This will be held on 5 May 2010 in Hamilton at the Novotel Tainui.

Finalists will also be invited to attend an exclusive 2-day retreat on 6 & 7 May 2010, and have an opportunity to rub shoulders with their peers and business mentors. This will be held at Hillside Hotel & Nature Resort, an exclusive resort near Huntly.

As part of the overall prize, the supreme winner will be entered in the Trans-Tasman challenge with the winner of the Australian Dairy Business of the Year Competition.

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COMPETITION ACTIVITIES and TIMELINES for 2010

1st November: Competition opens for entries.

Competition promotion at field days for 2009 winners

Competition advertised in the Dairyman & Straight Furrow and promoted via sponsors websites and via press releases. Sponsors staff encouraged to promote the competition to their clients.

November – February: Competition advertised in the Dairyman & Straight Furrow and promoted via sponsors websites and via press releases. Sponsors staff encouraged to promote the competition to their clients.

21st February: Competition entries close.

Feb-March: Completion of farm performance data processing and Red Sky reports mailed to farmers.

10th April: Finalists selected for all prize categories. Top 5 participants based on return on assets will be finalists, followed by the top 2 participants in each of the prize categories. Total number of finalists is expected to number 14-16.

April: Second year of farm performance data processed (2007/08). This is to confirm consistency in business performance.

BNZ Agribusiness Managers to value the properties and complete a photographic record of farm.

Collect non-financial information (questions re human and natural resource management) to assist judging of finalist.

24th April: Judging of finalists by Keith Woodford, Professor Lincoln University, and Colin Holmes, and an experienced senior BNZ Agribusiness executive.

5th May: Dairy Business of the Year daytime Seminar and Awards Dinner in Hamilton with all winners announced at Awards Dinner.

6th-7th May: 2-day Retreat for finalists.

October-November: Field days on supreme and regional winners of competition.

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