

OFFICIAL NOTICE OF MEETINGS – RAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE - 26-28 JUNE, 2015 – HAVELOCK COMMUNITY CENTRE, HAWKES BAY



Friday 26 June 2015	DEVELOPMENT HALF DAY – ALL WELCOME	
12.55pm	Welcome from RAS President, John Grigg.	
1.00 – 1.30pm	Business Meeting	
1.30– 2.15pm	Speaker –Motivational Focus	
2.15pm	Light Refreshment	
2.30pm – 3.15pm	Speaker - Health & Safety relating to shows & events	
3.15pm – 3.45pm	Speaker - Tourism & Events	
3.45pm – 5.00pm	Brainstorm session – a time to share ideas and discuss, open floor.	
6.00pm	Debate & BBQ – hosted by the Hawkes Bay A&P Society	
Saturday 27 June 2015	BREED – A&P DAY	
8.45am	Welcome from RAS President, John Grigg	
9.00am – 11.00am	Dairy Meeting	Equestrian Meeting
11.00am-11.30am	Morning Tea	
11.30am – 1.30pm	Beef Meeting	Equestrian Meeting continues & concludes at 1.30pm
1.30pm-2.15pm	Lunch	
2.15pm- 3.00pm	Guest Speaker – Health & Safety – Implications of new legislation	
3.00pm- 3.30pm	Guest Speaker - TBA	
3.30pm – 4.00pm	Afternoon Tea	
3.30pm- 5.30pm	Sheep Meeting	
6.15pm	Drinks – Cash Bar	
7.00pm	Rural Ambassador finalists will make brief presentation	
7.30pm	Dinner & Band	
8.30pm approx	Announce winner of the 2016 Rural Ambassador Award	
Sunday 28 June 2015	UBS/MRC /AGM MEETINGS	
8.45am	Welcome from RAS President, John Grigg	
9.00am – 10.30am	UBS/MRC/AGM Meetings	
10.30am – 11.00am	Morning Tea	
11.00am – 12.00pm	UBS/MRC/AGM Meeting continues	
12.00pm – 1.00pm	Conference concludes with lunch	

Conference notes:

1. Some times may alter as speakers etc are finalised.
2. Accommodation information, registration and all other booking forms are also available on the RAS website – <http://www.ras.org.nz/about-ras/ras-conference/>

2015 NOMINATION OF OFFICERS

(The following statement advises the names of the retiring officers and Executive members and indicates their intentions pursuant to clause 38 of the Royal Agricultural Society Constitution.)

President: Mr John Grigg intends to stand for re-election.
Vice President: Mr Geoffrey Smith intends to stand for re-election.
Executive: Mr Simon Collin retires by rotation and is not seeking re-election. The vacant portfolio is Sponsorship & Marketing.

NOMINATIONS FOR THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS CLOSE 15 MAY 2015.

Nomination forms and Charities Commission officer checklist forms are available from the RAS CEO. Please submit CV with your nomination and a covering letter as to what skills you would bring to the Sponsorship & Marketing portfolio.

Any nominations, CV's and completed, signed officer checklist forms must be received by the RAS CEO on or before 5.00 p.m. on Friday 15 May 2015. No nomination for a person who is disqualified according to the Charities Commission will be accepted.

Full programme and all conference forms including delegate nomination forms are on the RAS website <http://www.ras.org.nz/about-ras/ras-conference/>