

# ***New Zealand Ewe Hogget Competition***



## **PRESS RELEASE - 2015 COMPETITION**

**This nationwide iconic competition is now in**

**its 19<sup>th</sup>**

**year and entries are welcomed.**



This unique hogget competition gives farmers the opportunity to benchmark their flocks against others at both local and national level as well as giving them the chance to compare different farming systems and learn from other competitors as well as the judging panel. All farmers are invited to enter and 'give it a go',  
**what better way to assess your progress?**

**ENTRIES CLOSE 20 MARCH**, with judging taking place the following month, and the National Final Judging takes place in April, midweek in the North Island and the end of the month in the South Island.

**"The achievements of New Zealand sheep farmers deserve more recognition and acknowledgement. It is pleasing that the New Zealand Ewe Hogget Competition is gaining momentum and now plays a major role in the promotion of excellence within our sheep industry. I urge all farmers with sound management skills to seriously consider involvement in this year's competition"**

**- Stephen Rabbidge, the National Convenor**

The Presentation Dinner is still to be finalised, but may this year be held at Palmerton North, where all Breed Finalists will be present. Everyone is most welcome to attend and during the dinner the finalists will chat with the MC, and a slide show of their farming operation viewed on screen. At the end of the evening the Overall Winner will be announced. The competition concludes later in the year with a Field Day on the Winners property

**"A massive thanks to the many volunteers who believe in this competition, contacting farmers encouraging entries, and giving up their time and effort for the duration of this event"**

**– Greg Burgess New Zealand Sheepbreeders' Assn.**



**Looking forward to receiving your entries from all over New Zealand.**