

Sheep and Beef Cattle Veterinarian of the Year

Background

We all know a veterinarian who really stands out in their field. Someone who loves chewing the cud about cattle, or whose sheer love of sheep underpins everything they do.

We are pleased to announce your chance to recognise a sheep and beef cattle veterinarian who has had a lasting impact on the health and wellbeing of the animals we care for.

Do you know a veterinarian who deserves recognition for their work? Keep reading to find out how you can nominate them for the recognition they deserve.

About the award

- Veterinarians can be nominated by colleagues, farmer clients or members of wider agricultural industry.
- The award will be presented at the Sheep, Beef Cattle and Deer Veterinarians Dinner at the NZVA Conference in June.
- As well as the prestige associated with the award, the recipient will win a mystery weekend for two to celebrate their success and the costs of attending the conference dinner if not planning to attend.
- If there are no suitable nominees or no NZVA Conference, the award may be postponed to the following year.
- Nominations are judged by the Society of Sheep and Beef Cattle Veterinarians Committee and, if required, members of the NZVA Board. All decisions are final. Nominations are not revealed, apart from the winner. The judging process will incorporate how the following award objectives are met:
 - to celebrate success in the veterinary profession
 - to inspire other sheep and beef cattle veterinarians, existing and future
 - to highlight a significant veterinary contribution to the sheep and beef industry in the past 18 months.

To be considered for Sheep and Beef Cattle Veterinarian of the Year, nominees must:

- be working in New Zealand as a registered veterinarian
- have made a significant contribution to the sheep and beef industry in the last 18 months
- have used their position to have a positive influence locally or nationally, either through education, mentoring, advocacy, representation of the profession, media relations or other relevant ways
- remain informed about the wider profession and contribute to the profession's success by contributing to the New Zealand Veterinary Association Te Pae Kīrehe (NZVA) or the Society of Sheep and Beef Cattle Veterinarians, and through other industry groups
- be open to media promotion of the award and promote the profession in good spirit.

How to nominate

A 500–1,000 word written brief is required from the nominator. Please include contact details of both the nominee and nominator.

Nominations can be made to sheep-beef@vets.org.nz.

Past Recipients

Year	Name
2019	Anthony Oswald
2018	Anne Ridler
2017	Harry Whiteside
2016	Dave Robertson