MEDIA RELEASE - Shearing champs results From Doug Laing, media officer, Shearing Sports New Zealand October 15, 2017

Results from the 50<sup>th</sup> Waimate Shears and New Zealand Spring Shearing and Woolhandling Championships at Waimate on October 13-14, 2017:

International:

Transtasman Blade Shearing Test (4 sheep): New Zealand (Tony Dobbs 11min 50.06sec, 51.753pts; Phil Oldfield 12min 59.91sec. 80.4455pts) 132.1985pts beat Australia (Ken French 11min 44.82sec, 84.241pts; John Dalla 11min 20.94sec, 89.797pts) 174.038pts. A return match will be held in Bendigo, Vic, on October 27.

New Zealand Spring Shearing Championships:

Open final (16 sheep): Nathan Stratford (Invercargill) 16min 53.31sec, 58.853pts, 1; Troy Pyper (Winton) 16min 1.2sec, 61.81pts, 2; Paerata Abraham (Masterton) 16min 2.94sec, 65.2095pts, 3; Grant Smith (Rakaia) 19min 4.56sec, 69.6655pts, 4; Brook Todd 17min 47.77sec, 70.576pts, 5; Stacey Te Huia (Forbes, NSW/Te Kuiti) 16min 46.46sec, 78.948pts, 6.

Open Invitation Plate (10 sheep): Jack Fagan (Te Kuiti) 11min 2.94sec, 45.247pts, 1; Andy Mainland (Invercargill) 11min 43.46sec, 47.773pts, 2; Colin O'Neill (Alexandra) 11min 54.16secs, 48.308pts, 3; Ringakaha Paewai (Gore) 11min 19.43sec, 48.3715pts, 4; Ethan Pankhurst (Masterton) 12min 34.49sec, 48.9245pts, 5; John Dalla (South Australia) 12min 2.35sec, 62.2175pts, 6.

Senior final (8 sheep): Corey Smith (Rakaia) 10min 53.44sec, 43.797pts, 1; Linton Palmer (Dipton) 10min 53.25sec, 45.5375pts, 2; Lionel Taumata (Gore) 10min 47.4sec, 46.12pts, 3; David Gower (Stratford) 9min 36.53sec, 46.8625pts, 4; Corey White (Waimate) 10min 30.78sec, 46.914pts, 5; Vahni Stringer (Ranfurly) 11min 12.74sec, 47.887pts, 6.

Intermediate final (5 sheep): Liam Norrie (Cheviot) 10min 212.18sec, 40.809pts, 1; Brandon Maguire-Ratima (Winton) 9min 19.17sec, 41.1585pts, 2; Jesse Barclay (Gore) 9min 12.87sec, 41.2435pts, 3; Duncan Higgins (Havelock) 9min 14.78sec, 43.139pts, 4; Ben Martin (Lawrence) 9min 15.7sec, 50.385pts, 5; Sam Bryan (Darfield) 10min 25.11sec, 51.0555pts, 6.

Junior final (3 sheep): Brodie Horrell (Gore) 6min 34.62sec, 32.3976pts, 1; Darcy Tong (Taihape) 9min 52.6sec, 38.63pts, 2; Jonah Collins (-) 7min 49.72sec, 41.8193pts, 3; Jonathan Painter (Pahiatua) 8min 51.84sec, 42.9253pts, 4; Mitchell Menzies (Ranfurly) 7min 54.64sec, 48.3986pts, 5; Fred Highton (England) 10min 8.59sec, 57.0961pts, 6..

Blade shearing:

Open final(4 sheep): Tony Dobbs (Fairlie) 12min 8.83sec, 49.6915pts, 1; Mike McConnell (Cave) 12min 56.42sec, 52.571pts, 2; Phil Oldfield (Geraldine) 13min 23.25sec, 59.4125pts, 3; John Dalla (South Australia) 13min 29.41sec, 59.9705pts, 4; Ken French (Vic, Aust) 13min 55.75sec, 71.5375pts, 5; Billy Michelle (Timaru) 11min 27.34sec, 71.867pts, 6.

Intermediate final (2 sheep): Wiremu Kihi (Springfield) 10min 47.43sec, 62.8715pts, 1; Marohi Kennedy (Kaikoura) 9min 29.44sec, 65.472pts, 2; Andrew Murray (Australia) 134min 27.97sec, 74.8985pts, 3; Dallas Gorrie (Balclutha) 8min 34.22sec, 80.711pts, 4; Emarina Watson (North Canterbury) 12min 0.28sec, 88.514pts, 5; Paul Gallagher (Fairlie) 11min 33.5sec, 101.175pts, 6.

Woolhandling:

Open final: Joel Henare (Gisborne/Dunedin) 69.556pts, 1; Foonie Waihape (Gisborne) 100.58pts, 2; Logan Kamura (Marton) 131.156pts, 3; Tina Elers (Mataura) 138.844pts, 4.

Senior final: Ebony Turipa (Gore) 96.588pts, 1; Nova Kumeroa Elers (Mataura) 110.712pts, 2; Lashara Anderson (Christchurch) 114.278pts, 3; Maiden Elers (Mataura) 122.618pts, 4.

Junior final: Tyler Hira (Onewhero) 82.38pts, 1; Linda Duncan (Alexandra) 107.94pts, 2; Shanae Daniels (-) 124.776pts, 3; Autumn Hiri (Gore) 129.03pts, 4.

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