

PROSPECTUS 2018



Agricultural Training Centre



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WELCOME Nau Mai, Haere Mai

Welcome to Taratahi Agricultural Training Centre – New Zealand's first choice for agricultural training and education.

For almost 100 years, Taratahi has been successfully preparing students for futures in agriculture. Our mission is to build workforce skills in primary industries through real learning on real farms.

We offer NZQA approved qualifications, from our Primary Industries in Schools programme to agriculture, equine and apiculture. Specialist areas include sheep and beef, and dairy. Programmes are offered from Taratahi campuses around New Zealand, allowing students to choose study options that suit their needs and interests within agriculture.

Every year, approximately 1,500 students from New Zealand and around the world learn with Taratahi. Some of our students grow up on a farm, but many of our students are from non-farming backgrounds. We make no distinction for acceptance.

When you choose to study at Taratahi, you are making a solid investment in your future. You will gain industry knowledge and skills – while also making lifelong friends and contacts.

Contact us to chat about our programmes and how to get started in agriculture.

The Taratahi Team

*Ki te tuohu koe, me he maunga teitei
Should you bow, let it be to a lofty mountain*

WHY STUDY AT TARATAHI?

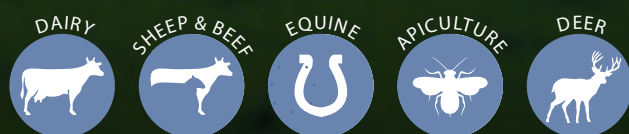
We are passionate about growing the primary industries and making a difference to the world around us – environmentally, culturally, socially and commercially for the success of all.

- ➔ We offer real learning on real farms – with access to thousands of hectares of commercial farm land
- ➔ We provide clear pathways to a future in agriculture
- ➔ We have a wealth of experience, knowledge and wisdom that we pass on to the next generation of farmers

Study at Taratahi may be for you if you are interested in:

- Raising and working with animals
- Working outdoors in a rural environment
- Driving tractors, motorbikes, and heavy machinery
- Doing physical work and working with your hands
- Working with tools, machinery and equipment
- Business management in the primary industries
- Science and research in the primary industries

Study options start at foundation level and students have the option to learn with us up to management level qualifications. In addition to learning general farming skills, students can choose to stream into distinct career pathways:



**Taratahi founded
1919**



TASTER COURSES

Tasters are a great way to discover what it's like to live and learn at Taratahi.

WAIRARAPA TASTERS

The Wairarapa residential campus runs four-day Tasters (April, October and December) in both agriculture and equine, which are held in the school holidays. The application fee for the four day Tasters covers course fees, meals and accommodation. Students will be involved in a range of practical farming / equine activities during the day and fun events in the evenings.

WAIRARAPA TASTER DATES 2018 (for Agriculture and Equine):

16 April - 19 April

8 October - 11 October

9 December - 13 December

REGIONAL TASTERS

Regional campuses run fees free one-day Taster programmes, where students get a chance to have a go at some of the more practical aspects of our agricultural programmes.

Contact us for more information about the regional Tasters on 0800 TARATAHI or email: info@taratahi.ac.nz

WAIKATO REGION TASTER DAYS 2018:

Thursday 26 April

Thursday 19 July

Thursday 11 October

AUCKLAND REGION TASTER DAYS 2018:

First Tuesday of every month except for January 2018.

For all other 2018 regional Taster dates, you can email: info@taratahi.ac.nz or visit our website www.taratahi.ac.nz for more details.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Each year, Taratahi welcomes international students from all over the world including Asia, Europe, Latin America, the Middle East and Africa. Our international students take part in a number of different training programmes of various durations. These students add a special element to the atmosphere and culture at Taratahi and we greatly value their contribution.

Programmes open to international students are indicated by an International fee (in \$NZ).

STUDENT SUPPORT

Taratahi has a support network for international students, to help with the transition to life in New Zealand – and to make it a memorable experience.

CODE OF PRACTICE

Taratahi has agreed to observe and be bound by the Code of Practice for the Pastoral Care of International Students. Visit the NZQA website: www.nzqa.govt.nz for a copy of the Code.

IMMIGRATION AND YOUR STUDENT VISA

Visit the Immigration New Zealand website: www.immigration.govt.nz for details of immigration requirements while you are studying in New Zealand.

MEDICAL AND TRAVEL INSURANCE

International students must have current medical and travel insurance while in New Zealand.

HEALTH SERVICES

Visit the Ministry of Health website www.moh.govt.nz, for full details on entitlements to publicly funded health services. Most international students are not entitled to publicly funded healthcare while in New Zealand.

ACCIDENT INSURANCE

Everyone in New Zealand is covered by the Accident Compensation Corporation's (ACC) no-fault scheme if they're injured in an accident. This includes children, beneficiaries, students and visitors to New Zealand. The cover they provide helps pay for the costs of the recovery period. This includes payment towards treatment, help at home, and help with income. Visit the ACC website for more details: www.acc.co.nz.



INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS – CONTINUED

What level of English do I need to be able to study as an international student?

If you want to study either a Level 3, 4 or 5 programme, you need the score of any of the tests below.

PROGRAMMES		
Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
IELTS TEST		
General or Academic score of 5 with no band score lower than 5	General or Academic score of 5.5 with no band score lower than 5	Academic score of 5.5 with no band score lower than 5
TOEFL PAPER-BASED TEST (PBT)		
Score of 500 (with an essay score of 4 TWE)	Score of 530 (with an essay score of 4.5 TWE)	Score of 550 (with an essay score of 5 TWE)
TOEFL INTERNET-BASED TEST (IBT)		
Score of 35 (with a writing score of 14)	Score of 46 (with a writing score of 14)	Score of 46 (with a writing score of 14)
UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE ENGLISH EXAMINATIONS		
FCE or FCE for Schools with a score of 154. No less than 154 in each skill	FCE or FCE for schools with a score of 162. No less than 154 in each skill	FCE or FCE for schools with a score of 162. No less than 154 in each skill
NZCEL		
Level 3 with an endorsement of either General, Workplace, or Academic	Level 3 with an endorsement of either General, Workplace, or Academic	Level 4 with the Academic endorsement
PEARSON TEST OF ENGLISH (ACADEMIC)		
PToE (Academic) score of 36	PToE (Academic) score of 42	PToE (Academic) score of 42
CITY & GUILDS IESOL		
B1 Achiever with a score of 43	B2 Communicator with a score of 42	B2 Communicator with a score of 42

GRADUATE PROFILES

Emma Pollitt

Award-winning and passionate - Emma excels



Gisborne Girls High School, then Taratahi, a ute and dogs next, shepherding in the deep South, followed by animal health study and a role in a vet clinic in Wairoa, and full circle back to Gisborne for a position with PGG Wrightson as a Technical Field Representative.

With a passion for beef, exuberant enthusiasm and love of learning, Emma Pollitt has now won the FBNZ Allflex Beef

Ambassador 2016 to round it all off. And it's not likely to stop there.

"It was always the goal, since my first Hoof & Hook, to take home the Allflex Ambassador Award, and I feel it is a huge honour to be recognised. The end goal has always been to have a cattle stud of my own. This is where my true passion lies," says Emma.

"I was lucky enough to be part of the small team of Taratahi students who had steers at Hoof & Hook in 2010 [which is how I started]. Hook & Hoof cannot be beaten for gaining confidence in the sector. It is two days of the year to demonstrate to rural New Zealand your pride, work ethic and passion as a youth member in the industry."

The roots she put down in farming at Taratahi, and support she received during her time there and ongoing contacts was instrumental in her success – as well as her absolute determination to excel and relish every opportunity that came her way.

Such opportunities and achievements have included representing New Zealand at the World Angus Forum in 2013 as part of a youth team. In 2016 she was Royal A&P Society Young Sheep Judge of the Year and went on to the Melbourne Royal Show in 2017 to represent New Zealand in the Australian Young Sheep Judges final. Then on to Scotland that year to the World Angus Forum as New Zealand youth team member.

Taratahi is deeply proud of Emma and her achievements.

Jeremy Packard

Keeping it in the family



The lure of home – a seventh-generation Golden Bay dairy farm – is a strong one for Jeremy Packard.

Jeremy completed a Sheep and Beef Level 3 course at Taratahi's Wairarapa residential campus in 2015. "I loved Taratahi," Jeremy says. "It has a real family atmosphere, the course was really interesting and I met lots of great people." He scooped up some significant prizes, winning the Student Leadership and

the Technical General awards.

Keen to learn as much as he could about dairying, Jeremy attended Taratahi's prestigious Central North Island Dairy Academy programme in 2016. "It was fantastic – we had access to top farms and management systems and the tutors were really supportive and knowledgeable."

Such is the regard for the Academy that employers come looking for its graduates and Jeremy was offered a job with Dairy CHB, quickly becoming sole manager of a high performing herd.

Jeremy urges people who like an early start to consider the dairy industry. "It's a really rewarding lifestyle and it pays well – anywhere from \$40,000 to \$70,000 in your first year. I see a positive future – there is a move to lower inputs and better environmental management which is great for the industry and the country. It feels good to be part of that."

Jeremy is aiming to head home to Golden Bay in five years. "It's a really good farm and I know that by then I'll have the knowledge to build on the work of previous generations and to leave it in top shape for the next one."

GRADUATE PROFILES – CONTINUED



Andrew Sulzberger

From Taratahi to 2017 best dairy farmer



Photo courtesy of DairyNZ

A Taratahi graduate from the early 90s, Andrew Sulzberger's years of further study and management of the family farm has culminated in winning the 2017 Dairy Business of the Year title.

Andrew is sixth generation on the 115ha, 320 cow Taranaki farm and was steered towards Taratahi as a youngster by his parents, who were concerned he was drifting a bit.

"They were right," Andrew says. "It really helped to be taught by someone other than Mum and Dad. It gave me a different way of looking at things." Plans to do the Massey Diploma in Agriculture were delayed by a serious recreational back injury but after his recovery it was completed. "Then I thought I might carry on with a degree in Applied Science (Ag) just in case I had back issues later as it gave me options for consultancy."

Andrew says dairying is a very rewarding job. "You get such a variety. Whether it's animals, machinery, or simply the outdoor nature of the work, there's always a sense of achievement."

Andrew and wife Sibylle have a long-term goal to continue farming while balancing family life. "It's a great place to hunt, ride bikes or horses and raise our three daughters – the perfect life really, we're very grateful."

Andrew has had many competitive successes over the years as the Taranaki representative in the Young Farmer of the Year but the latest title is the icing on the cake. "We were very proud to be awarded Most Resilient System; Taranaki Best Financial Performance; Top Performing Low Input Business; and the overall Supreme Award."

Hemoata Kopa

2015 and 2017 Ahuwhenua Young Māori Farmer Award Finalist



Hemoata, 21, comes from Moerewa, south of Kaikohe in Northland and is of Ngāpuhi descent. After leaving school, she studied at Taratahi in 2014 and has passed her National Certificate in Sheep and Beef (Level 3 and 4) and the Massey Diploma in Agriculture, Level 5.

Her dedication and commitment to furthering her career in agriculture has resulted in the award

of an impressive number of scholarships: Dargaville Field days Scholarship, Landcorp Slingshot Scholarship, Salvation Army Scholarship and the ADB Williams Trust scholarship. Hemo's family have been farming for many generations. Initially wanting to join the army, farming was her back-up choice.

She decided to enrol at Taratahi after speaking to a Taratahi representative at a careers expo, and hasn't looked back. Since studying at Taratahi, Hemo has learned she values the outdoor lifestyle and the ability to work independently on farm. She enjoys the variety of farming – doing something different every day. Education has given her the confidence to believe she can have a high level career in agriculture. "I come from a farming family and working in agriculture has always been an interest. I am proud to be recognised for my accomplishments and thankful for the encouragement of my whanau and tutors at Taratahi who have got me to where I am today. It is a privilege to be an Ahuwhenua Young Māori Farmer Awards finalist," says Hemo.



WHAT CAN I STUDY?

OPTIONS WHILE YOU ARE AT SCHOOL

NCEA LEVEL 1, 2, 3

PRIMARY INDUSTRIES IN SCHOOLS

DESCRIPTION

Primary Industries in Schools has been designed to provide senior secondary school students (Year 11 - 13) with the opportunity to build and develop skills through on-farm experiences while also gaining credits towards their NCEA Levels 1 - 3. Our programmes give students the unique opportunity of beginning their tertiary education in agriculture while still at secondary school.

All Primary Industries in Schools programmes options are government funded. They have a strong focus on practical, hands on training, while also completing nationally recognised units that contribute towards NCEA Level 1, 2, 3 and a Vocational Pathway Award in the Primary Industries.

Students can be involved in the Primary Industries in Schools programme in the following four ways:

- **PITA** (Primary Industries Trades Academy) students study Level 2, part-time over the academic year
- **STEP up** (Secondary Tertiary Education/ Employment Pathways – Primary) students study Level 3, part-time over the academic year
- **STAR** (Secondary Tertiary Alignment Resource) students study in block courses at various times throughout year



- **Distance Learning** (Extramural) students study individual unit standards via distance learning using Taratahi learning resources and assessments

Programmes are delivered in the following regions; Northland, Auckland, Waikato, Bay of Plenty, Hawkes Bay, Taranaki, Manawatu, Wairarapa, South Otago, Southland.

PRIMARY INDUSTRIES TRADES ACADEMY (PITA)

The Primary Industries Trades Academy (PITA) programme is available to Year 12 students.

The PITA programme runs during Terms 1 – 3, and the beginning of Term 4 (practical elements), leaving the rest of the term for students to focus on exams.

The programme will include exposure to local primary industry organisations with regular/ scheduled industry visits.

Programme outcomes may include (but not limited to):

- New Zealand Certificate in Primary Industries Skills Level 2
- Or New Zealand Certificate in Equine Skills Level 2
- NCEA Level 1 and 2 including Level 1 Literacy and Numeracy requirements
- Vocational Pathway Award in Primary Industries





STEP uP (3+2)*

Taratahi offers Year 13 secondary school students the opportunity to work towards a Level 3 Tertiary Qualification that will meet the needs of the primary industry. Unit standards from this programme will go towards helping the student achieve NCEA Level 3. Programme offerings include:

- New Zealand Certificate in Agriculture (Vehicles, Machinery and Infrastructure) Level 3;

STAR

Taratahi offers students in Year 11 to 13 the opportunity to participate in STAR courses. STAR courses focus on different aspects of the primary industry and are typically run as blocks of three to five days each throughout the year, though this can be tailored to meet learner needs on a case by case basis.

Topics include;

- Wool Harvesting
- Agri-Chemicals
- Agri-Vehicles
- Chainsaw Safety
- Dairy Farming
- Electric Fencing
- Sheep Handling
- Mechanical Engineering (Wairarapa only)
- Equine Focus (Wairarapa only)

DISTANCE LEARNING (Extramural)

Theory papers on different aspects of the primary industry are available via distance learning with support from our tutors.

Topics include farming, forestry, equine, apiculture, wool harvesting, horticulture. This study is available for Years 11 to 13 and offered nationwide.

ENROLMENT

Secondary school students need to enrol in these programmes through their school. Please speak to your Careers Advisor.

Careers Advisors need to contact the Taratahi regional office closest to their school.

For further information, download a copy of the Primary Industries in Schools prospectus from our website:
www.taratahi.ac.nz/programmes/primary-industries-in-schools

Or contact us for a copy on pita@taratahi.ac.nz.

OPTIONS AFTER YOU LEAVE SCHOOL LEVEL 1-2 FOUNDATION PROGRAMMES

FEES
FREE

PRIMARY INDUSTRY FOUNDATION SKILLS (LEVEL 2)

QUALIFICATION

- New Zealand Certificate in Foundation Skills Level 1
- NCEA Level 1 and 2
- New Zealand Certificate in Primary Industry Skills Level 2
- Vocational Pathway Award in Primary Industries

DURATION

Full-time study over 24 teaching weeks plus 1 week holiday

INTAKE

Various intakes throughout the year

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

This programme prepares students for further training in the primary industries and include work and life skills for beginning a career in the primary sector. These include basic farm skills, practical production based skills, communication, teamwork, budgeting, time management, literacy and numeracy.

LOCATION

Northland, Waikato, Wairarapa.

Note: locations are subject to change.

Visit www.taratahi.ac.nz for up-to-date information.

FEES (DOMESTIC)

Fees free

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Applicant must be 16 years or over and preferably not

hold an existing Level 1 or 2 qualification.

Applicant must be a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident.

Applicant can meet the physical demands of farm work.

Applicant must have a reasonable level of fitness required to carry out duties on farm and can meet the physical demands of farm work.

PATHWAYS

All Taratahi Level 3 programmes.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Entry level employee in a dairy or pastoral farming context such as farm assistant.

PROGRAMME CONTENT

Primary production tasks include activities such as:

- assist with handling livestock and stock feeding
- basic fencing skills
- water supply maintenance
- safely operating a quadbike
- working safely and managing hazards in a rural workplace

Literacy and numeracy and work-ready skills such as punctuality, reliability, presentation, communication and team work are embedded into the programme.



FEES
FREE

PRIMARY INDUSTRY SKILLS (LEVEL 2)

QUALIFICATION

New Zealand Certificate in Primary Industry Skills Level 2

DURATION

Full-time study over 12 teaching weeks

INTAKE

Various intakes throughout the year

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

This programme delivers training on commercial farms providing students with agricultural experience and sets the scene for working in a rural workplace and beginning a career in the primary sector. These experiences and activities include basic farm skills and practical production based skills.

LOCATION

Taranaki, Waikato, Hawke's Bay, Wairarapa.

Note: locations are subject to change.

Visit www.taratahi.ac.nz for up-to-date information.

FEES (DOMESTIC)

Fees free

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Applicant must be 16 years or over and preferably not hold an existing Level 1 or 2 qualification.

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- working safely and managing hazards in a rural workplace



LEVEL 3 PROGRAMMES

NEW ZEALAND CERTIFICATE IN AGRICULTURE (VEHICLES, MACHINERY AND INFRASTRUCTURE) LEVEL 3

DURATION

15 weeks (14 teaching weeks, 1 week holiday), full-time
(duration may vary between regions/locations).

INTAKE

Various start dates throughout the year.
Note: start dates are subject to change.

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

This programme will provide students with the ability to safely carry out a range of activities for the safe and efficient operation of a rural workplace, including the use and maintenance of workplace vehicles, machinery and infrastructure.

This programme is designed to complement other agricultural programmes that a graduate may wish to pathway onto.

LOCATION

Northland, Auckland, Hawke's Bay, Taranaki, Wairarapa, Manawatu, Wellington, Balclutha
Note: locations are subject to change.
Visit www.taratahi.ac.nz for up-to-date information.

FEES* (DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL)

Domestic students: \$765.00
International students: \$7,630.00
Compulsory student services fee: \$90.00

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Students must be:

- Aged 16 or over.

- Physically able and strong enough to work safely around livestock and use machinery.
- Have sufficient literacy and numeracy to manage the demands of the course.

International students must have sufficient English language skills, confirmed by a formal assessment. Please see page 6.

PATHWAYS

- Graduates may wish to progress onto further training at Level 3 such as Pasture for Farming before moving onto higher level study or into employment.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Could include:

- General hand

PROGRAMME CONTENT

Content can include topics such as:

- Health and Safety
- Safe vehicle operation
- Chainsaws
- Agrichemicals
- Small motor maintenance
- Water supply systems
- Fencing repair
- Plant use - Dairy or woolshed

DAIRY FARMING AND EQUIPMENT (LEVEL 3)

QUALIFICATION

New Zealand Certificate in Agriculture (Farming Systems) and
New Zealand Certificate in Agriculture (Vehicles, Machinery and
Infrastructure)

DURATION

44 weeks (38 teaching weeks, 6 weeks holiday), full-time

INTAKE

February/March 2018, May, July, September 2018.

Note: duration and start dates are subject to change.

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

Dairy Farming and Equipment Level 3 is designed for people
wanting a career in agriculture.

This programme will give students the knowledge and skills
to operate vehicles, machinery and equipment safely and
effectively; move, handle, treat, feed, and perform routine
husbandry practices on livestock; an understanding of pasture-
based livestock feeding and how this is managed to meet animal
needs; and an understanding of how sustainable practices and
technology can be used on-farm.

LOCATION

Northland, Auckland, Wairarapa, Balclutha, Southland.

Note: locations are subject to change.

Visit www.taratahi.ac.nz for up-to-date information.

FEES* (DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL)

Domestic Students: \$3,774.00

International students: \$21,800.00

Compulsory student services fee: \$240.00

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Students must be:

- Aged 16 or over.

- Hold or working towards a learners', restricted or full driver's licence.
- Physically able and strong enough to work safely around livestock and use machinery.
- Have sufficient literacy and numeracy to manage the demands of the course.

International students must have sufficient English language skills, confirmed by a formal assessment. Please see page 6.

Students are selected on their expressed interest in dairy farming, and a willingness to meet the attendance and academic requirements of the programme.

PATHWAYS

Graduates may wish to progress onto higher level study such as Level 4 Dairy Farming, the Diploma in Agriculture Level 5, or gain entry level positions on dairy farms.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

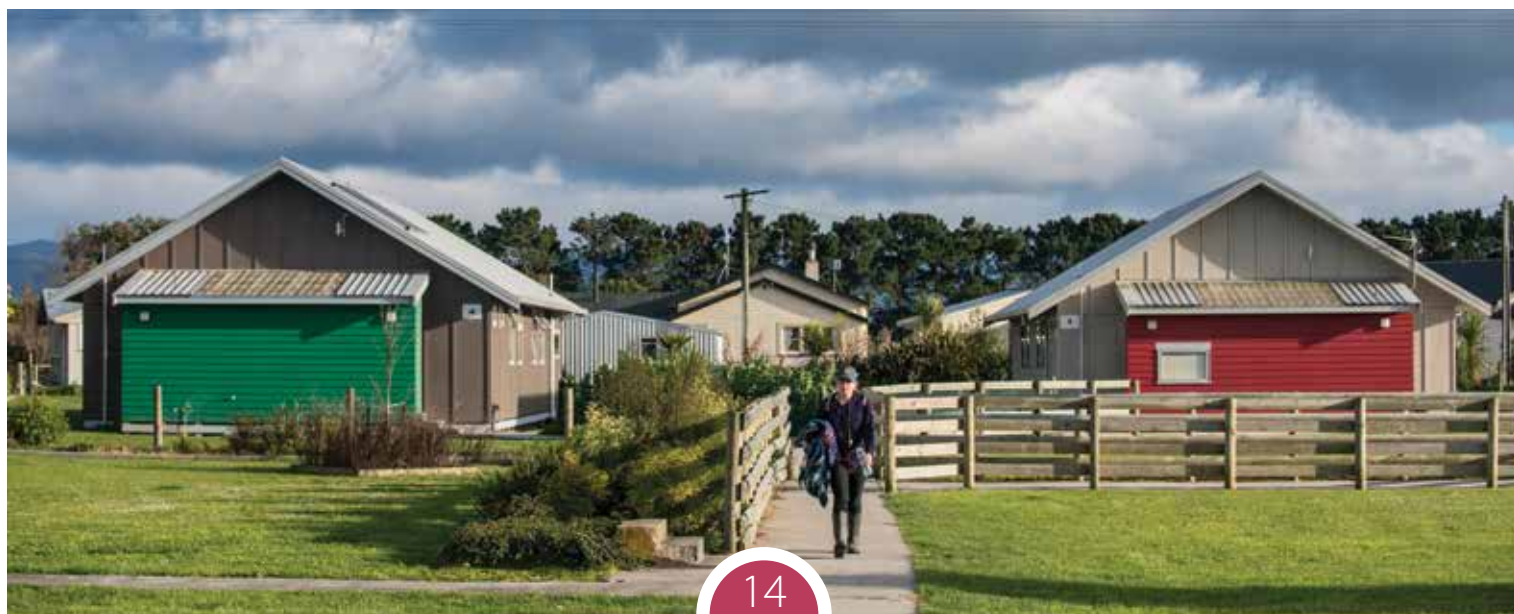
Could include:

- Farm Assistant
- Rural retail

PROGRAMME CONTENT

Content can include topics such as:

- Health and Safety
- Safe vehicle operation
- Farm Machinery and Infrastructure
- Soils
- Growing and Using Pasture
- Animal Health and Welfare
- Technology on farm
- Sustainable Practices





LEVEL 3 PROGRAMMES – *Continued*

SHEEP AND BEEF FARMING AND EQUIPMENT (LEVEL 3)

QUALIFICATION

New Zealand Certificate in Agriculture (Farming Systems) and
New Zealand Certificate in Agriculture (Vehicles, Machinery and
Infrastructure)

DURATION

44 weeks (38 teaching weeks, 6 weeks holiday), full-time

INTAKE

February, March, May, July, September 2018.

Note: duration and start dates are subject to change.

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

Sheep and Beef Farming and Equipment Level 3 is designed for people wanting a career in agriculture.

This programme will give students the knowledge and skills to operate vehicles, machinery and equipment safely and effectively; move, handle, treat, feed, and perform routine husbandry practices on livestock; an understanding of pasture-based livestock feeding and how this is managed to meet animal needs; and an understanding of how sustainable practices and technology can be used on-farm.

LOCATION

Northland, Auckland, Wairarapa, Balclutha, Southland.

Note: locations are subject to change.

Visit www.taratahi.ac.nz for up-to-date information.

FEES* (DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL)

Domestic Students: \$3,774.00

International students: \$21,800.00

Compulsory student services fee: \$240.00

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Students must be:

- Aged 16 or over.
- Hold or working towards a learners', restricted or full driver's licence.

- Physically able and strong enough to work safely around livestock and use machinery.
- Have sufficient literacy and numeracy to manage the demands of the course.

International students must have sufficient English language skills, confirmed by a formal assessment. Please see page 6.

Students are selected on their expressed interest in Sheep and Beef farming, and a willingness to meet the attendance and academic requirements of the programme.

PATHWAYS

Graduates may wish to progress onto higher level study such as Level 4 Drystock Breeding Farming, the Diploma in Agriculture Level 5, or gain entry level positions on dairy farms.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Could include:

- Junior Shepherd
- General farm hand
- Rural retail

PROGRAMME CONTENT

Content can include topics such as:

- Health and Safety
- Safe vehicle operation
- Farm Machinery and Infrastructure
- Soils
- Growing and Using Pasture
- Animal Health and Welfare
- Technology on farm
- Sustainable Practices

RURAL FENCING (LEVEL 3)

QUALIFICATION

New Zealand Certificate in Fencing (Rural)

DURATION

35 weeks (33 teaching weeks, 2 weeks holiday), full-time

INTAKE

February, March, September, October 2018.

Note: duration and start dates are subject to change.

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

This programme is for students wanting a career in rural fencing. It prepares them to construct, repair and maintain the range of fence types and stock yards they will work with on farms.

LOCATION

Taranaki, Waikato, Wairarapa.

Note: locations are subject to change.

Visit www.taratahi.ac.nz for up-to-date information.

FEES* (DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL)

Domestic Students: \$1,560.60

International students: \$17,985.00

Compulsory student services fee: \$200.00

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Students must be:

- Aged 16 or over.
- Hold or working towards a learners', restricted or full driver's licence.
- Being physically able and strong enough to work safely with fencing equipment and materials.

- Having sufficient literacy and numeracy to manage the demands of the course.

International students must have sufficient English language skills, confirmed by a formal assessment. Please see page 6.

Students are selected on their expressed interest in fencing, a willingness to meet the attendance and academic requirements of the programme including the work placement component.

PATHWAYS

Graduates of this programme are likely to move into employment.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Could include:

- Rural fencing contractor
- Fencer General

PROGRAMME CONTENT

Content can include topics such as:

- Fencing Health and Safety
- Fencing Machinery and Equipment
- Fencing Vehicles
- Fencing Planning
- Basic Fencing
- Electric Fences
- Conventional Fences
- Post and Rail Fences





LEVEL 3 PROGRAMMES – *Continued*

PASTURE FOR FARMING (LEVEL 3)

QUALIFICATION

New Zealand Certificate in Agriculture (Pastoral Livestock Production)

DURATION

13 weeks, full-time

INTAKE

April, May, August, September, October 2018.

Note: duration and start dates are subject to change.

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

Pasture for Farming Level 3 will give students the knowledge to monitor pasture quantity, quality and grazing; to understand pasture management to support farm production; and skills to provide pasture-based feed to livestock at different times of the year; and assist with activities that improve pasture quality or stock utilisation of available feed.

This programme is targeted at people with some experience in the pastoral farming sector and want to further develop their skills and knowledge.

LOCATION

Northland, Taranaki, Wairarapa.

Note: locations are subject to change.

Visit www.taratahi.ac.nz for up-to-date information.

FEES* (DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL)

Domestic Students: \$765.00

International students: \$7,085.00

Compulsory student services fee: \$80.00

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Students must be:

- Aged 16 or over.
- Hold or working towards a learners', restricted or full driver's licence.
- Being physically able and strong enough to work safely with fencing equipment and materials.
- Having sufficient literacy and numeracy to manage the demands of the course.

International students must have sufficient English language skills, confirmed by a formal assessment. Please see page 6.

Students are selected on their expressed interest in farming, and a willingness to meet the attendance and academic requirements of the programme.

PATHWAYS

Graduates may wish to progress onto higher level study at Level 4 or 5, or move into employment.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Could include:

- Entry level farm worker

PROGRAMME CONTENT

Content can include topics such as:

- Establishing and Using Pasture
- Improving Pasture
- Meeting Production Targets



LEVEL 3 PROGRAMMES – *Continued*

FARMING SYSTEMS (LEVEL 3)

QUALIFICATION

New Zealand Certificate in Agriculture (Farming Systems)

DURATION

28 weeks (26 teaching weeks, 2 weeks holiday)

INTAKE

February, March, April 2018

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

Farming Systems Level 3 is designed for people wanting a career in farming. It will often be used by people wanting to pathway on into more agriculture learning after completing the New Zealand Certificate in Agriculture (Vehicles, Machinery and Infrastructure) (Level 3).

It will give students the knowledge and skills to work with and care for livestock; assist with livestock production tasks; assist with soil and pasture management including sustainable practices to protect soil and water quality; use technological tools; and adopt a health and safety perspective when working farming tasks.

LOCATION

Auckland, Taranaki, Hawke's Bay, Wairarapa, Southland

FEES* (DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL)

Domestic Students: \$3,009.00

International students: \$14,170.00

Compulsory student services fee: \$169.92

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Students must be:

- Aged 16 or over.
- Hold or working towards a learners', restricted or full driver's licence.

- Physically able and strong enough to work safely around livestock and use machinery.
- Have sufficient literacy and numeracy to manage the demands of the course.

International students must have sufficient English language skills, confirmed by a formal assessment. Please see page 6.

PATHWAYS

Graduates may wish to progress onto higher level study such as Level 4 Drystock Breeding Farming, the Diploma in Agriculture Level 5 or gain entry level positions on sheep and beef farms.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Sheep and Beef Elective:

- Junior shepherd
- General Farm hand

Dairy Elective:

- Farm Assistant

Both:

- Rural retail

PROGRAMME CONTENT

Modules include:

- Health and Safety
- Soils
- Growing and Using Pasture
- Animal Health and Welfare
- Animal Breeding and Production (Dairy or Sheep and Beef elective)
- Technology on Farms
- Sustainable Practices

APICULTURE (LEVEL 3)

QUALIFICATION

New Zealand Certificate in Apiculture Level 3

DURATION

Part-time study over 34 teaching weeks (plus a small break over Christmas)

INTAKE

July/August 2018.

15 fortnightly workshops covering the entire beekeeping season plus an external American Foulbrood Recognition (AFB) workshop.

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

This programme is an entry level qualification designed for people considering working in the beekeeping industry, those already in the industry who need formal qualifications to progress in their career, or to provide the skills and knowledge to operate a backyard beehive.

From the pollination of horticulture crops and pasture to the production of honey, the beekeeping industry is vital to New Zealand's primary sector success.

This programme will give students the necessary skills to maintain healthy, productive beehives and extract honey from them.

The programme offers small classes with lots of one to one tuition throughout the beekeeping season.

LOCATION

Northland, Auckland, Waikato, Bay of Plenty, Hawke's Bay, Taranaki, Manawatu, Wairarapa, Wellington, Nelson/Marlborough, Canterbury Central Otago, Dunedin, Invercargill.

Note: locations are subject to change.

Visit www.taratahi.ac.nz for up-to-date information.

FEES* (DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL)

Domestic Students: \$1,248.48

International students: n/a

Fees include: DECA exam fee, cost of one hive, course materials and textbooks.

Compulsory student services fee: \$130.00

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Applicant must be 16 years or over
- Applicant must be a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident
- Applicant must have a reasonable level of fitness required to carry out the activities of a beekeeper and to meet the physical demands of beekeeping
- Any allergy medication must be on the person at all times

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Could include:

Commercial apicultural worker

Beekeeper's assistant

Junior beekeeping position

Starting up a small apicultural business

PROGRAMME CONTENT

Modules include: how to construct and repair beehives, seasonal management of bees and the hives, requeening the hives, identification and treatment of diseases, shifting beehives and honey extraction.





LEVEL 3 PROGRAMMES – *Continued*

EQUINE SKILLS (LEVEL 3)

QUALIFICATION

New Zealand Certificate in Equine Skills (Sporthorse Stable Assistant) Level 3

DURATION

14 weeks, full-time (excluding holiday weeks)

INTAKE

February, March 2018. Note: duration and start dates are subject to change.

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

This qualification provides learners with the skills and knowledge to assist in the stabling, care and exercise of horse in the Sporthorse industry.

The programme focuses on Sport horses and learners will be able to apply routine procedures when exercising and training horses for sport horse discipline, conduct the routine preparation of a horse for an event and attend to horses and riders' requirement at the event.

Students complete theory and practical training most days in addition to handling and riding a range of horses and will allow students to work more effectively in an equine workplace.

LOCATION

Northland, Wairarapa, Balclutha.

Note: locations are subject to change.

Visit www.taratahi.ac.nz for up-to-date information.

FEES* (DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL)

Domestic students: \$2,346.000

International students: \$7,630.00

Compulsory student services fee: \$110.00

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Applicant must be 16 years or over
- Applicant must have a reasonable level of fitness required to carry out duties involving horses and can meet the physical demands of stable work
- Applicants need to have handled horses and be able to rise to the trot

International students must have sufficient English language skills, confirmed by a formal assessment. Please see page 6.

PATHWAYS

Graduates may wish to progress onto higher level study at Level 4, or move into employment.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Working under supervision in a team as a groom, stable hand or trekking guide.

PROGRAMME CONTENT

Modules include:

- The horse anatomy, health, breeds and behaviour
- Care for the horse (turnout, receiving and dispatch, horse care and rehab, feeding and grooming)
- The horse environment including stabling, pasture and paddock maintenance
- Working a horse – train and ride for exercise and event preparation
- Equine careers and expectations of working in the equine industry

Students will be expected to attend at least one sporting event, either locally or within the region. This may be scheduled over a weekend.

DAIRY FARMING (LEVEL 4)

QUALIFICATION

New Zealand Certificate in Agriculture (Dairy Farming)

DURATION

50 weeks (41 teaching weeks, 9 weeks holiday), full-time

INTAKE

February, March, July 2018. Note: duration and start dates are subject to change.

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

Level 4 Dairy Farming programme will give students the knowledge and skills to implement Dairy Health, Breeding and Feeding Plans; monitor, analyse and report on farm performance, maintain vehicles and equipment, use farming practices that minimize environmental impact, and manage the milking process to optimize milk quality.

This programme is designed for level 3 graduates wanting to move into a more responsible role on a dairy farm.

LOCATION

Northland, Taranaki, Wairarapa, Balclutha.

Note: locations are subject to change.

Visit www.taratahi.ac.nz for up-to-date information.

FEES* (DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL)

Domestic students: \$3,466.98

International students: \$19,620.00

Compulsory student services fee: \$240.00

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Students must be:

- Aged 16 or over.
- Hold or working towards a learners', restricted or full driver's licence.
- Physically able and strong enough to work safely around livestock and use machinery.

- Have at least two years' industry experience if they are not recent graduates of a Taratahi level 3 dairy focussed or equivalent programme.
- Have sufficient literacy and numeracy to manage the demands of the course.

International students must have sufficient English language skills, confirmed by a formal assessment. Please see page 6.

Students are selected on their demonstrated aptitude for Dairy farming, willingness to meet the attendance requirements of the programme, including commitment to undertake the work experience and self-directed components.

PATHWAYS

Graduates may wish to progress onto higher level study such as the Diploma in Agriculture Level 5, or gain employment on dairy farms.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Could include:

- Farm assistant
- 2IC
- Rural retail
- Rural service industry

PROGRAMME CONTENT

Content can include topics such as:

- Understanding Performance
- Farm Reports
- Maintaining Vehicles and Equipment
- Managing Environmental Impacts
- Dairy Health Plans
- Dairy Feeding Plans
- Managing Milk Production





LEVEL 4 PROGRAMMES – *Continued*

DRYSTOCK BREEDING FARMING (LEVEL 4)

QUALIFICATION

New Zealand Certificate in Agriculture (Drystock Breeding Farming)

DURATION

50 weeks (41 weeks teaching, 9 weeks holiday), full-time

INTAKE

February, March, July 2018. Note: duration and start dates are subject to change.

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

Level 4 Drystock Breeding Farming programme will give students the knowledge and skills to implement Health, Breeding, Feeding and Production Plans; monitor, analyse and report on farm performance, maintain vehicles and equipment, and use farming practices that minimize environmental impact.

This programme is designed for level 3 graduates wanting to move into a more responsible role on a Drystock farm.

LOCATION

Northland, Taranaki, Wairarapa, Balclutha.

Note: locations are subject to change.

Visit www.taratahi.ac.nz for up-to-date information.

FEES* (DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL)

Domestic students: \$3,466.98

International students: \$19,620.00

Compulsory student services fee: \$240.00

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Students must be:

- Aged 16 or over.
- Hold or working towards a learners', restricted or full driver's licence.
- Physically able and strong enough to work safely around livestock and use machinery.
- Have at least two years' industry experience if they are not recent graduates of a Taratahi level 3 sheep and beef focussed or equivalent programme.

- Have sufficient literacy and numeracy to manage the demands of the course.

International students must have sufficient English language skills, confirmed by a formal assessment. Please see page 6.

Students are selected on their demonstrated aptitude for Drystock farming, willingness to meet the attendance requirements of the programme, including commitment to undertake the work experience and self-directed components.

PATHWAYS

Graduates may wish to progress onto higher level study such as the Diploma in Agriculture Level 5, or gain employment on drystock farms.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Could include:

- Junior Shepherd
- Shepherd
- General farm hand
- Rural retail
- Rural service industry

PROGRAMME CONTENT

Content can include topics such as:

- Understanding Performance
- Farm Reports
- Maintaining Vehicles and Equipment
- Managing Environmental Impacts
- Drystock Health Plans
- Drystock Breeding Plans
- Drystock Feeding Plans
- Drystock Production Plans

DIPLOMA IN AGRICULTURE (MASSEY UNIVERSITY)

DURATION

37 weeks (32 teaching weeks, 5 weeks holiday), full-time

INTAKE

February 2018

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

The diploma in agriculture has eight papers that are designed to provide students with the knowledge and appreciation of pasture and crop production and management, animal production, health and management, soil productivity, farm engineering, and financial and business management.

This programme is designed for Level 3 or 4 agriculture graduates, or people who have previous farm experience and are looking to upskill.

LOCATION

Wairarapa

Note: locations are subject to change.

Visit www.taratahi.ac.nz for up-to-date information.

FEES (DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL)

Domestic students: \$5,683.44

International students: \$18,450.00

Compulsory student services fee: \$240.00

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Students must have either:

- Gained University Entrance, or
- Completed a Level 4 Certificate in Agriculture, or
- Be 20 years or age or over
- Successfully completed a Foundation Certificate in Agriculture at Taratahi*

Students must have completed a minimum of 12 months farm practical work experience, employment on a commercial farm or equivalent.

*Enquire with us about the Foundation Certificate in Agriculture.

PATHWAYS

Graduates are well placed to contribute positivity to employment in the primary industry sector or proceed to higher level study such as a Bachelor's degree in Agricommerce or Agriscience.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Depending on the amount of prior work experience, job opportunities could include:

- Shepherd
- Farm Assistant
- Head Shepard
- 2IC
- Farm Manager
- Rural retail
- Rural service industry

PROGRAMME CONTENT

Papers include:

- Farm and Industry Study
- Soil Productivity
- Animal Production and Health
- Pasture and Crop Production
- Animal Production
- Farm Production Systems
- Farm Management
- Agricultural Engineering





LEVEL 5 DIPLOMAS – *Continued*

NEW ZEALAND DIPLOMA IN AGRIBUSINESS MANAGEMENT

DURATION

Part time over 2.5 years

INTAKE

February, July 2018

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

This programme is targeted at people who are in a management capacity in an agribusiness, or who have some industry or other relevant experience and are ready to advance into a management position within an agribusiness.

The purpose of this programme is to increase the skill level of individuals within the agribusiness sector who have the knowledge and skills to manage a wide range of agribusiness operations.

Students who complete this programme will come out with recognised agribusiness management skills and knowledge to enable improved job performance and enhance employment opportunities.

LOCATION

Wairarapa

FEES (DOMESTIC)

Domestic students: \$3730.14 or \$23.00 per credit
Compulsory student services fee: \$240.00

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Applicants need 2-3 years' industry experience and have a passion and motivation to work in the agribusiness sector. Applicants entering into this programme should be in a position to access financial and production performance information about a specific agribusiness.

PATHWAYS

Graduates are well placed to contribute positivity to employment in the primary industry Sector or proceed to higher level study.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Depending on the amount of prior work experience, job opportunities could include:

- Farm Manager
- Business Manager
- Operations Manager

PROGRAMME CONTENT

Modules include:

- Business Management and Planning
- Financial Management
- Human Resource Management
- Resource Management
- Business Management

LINCOLN UNIVERSITY DIPLOMA IN AGRICULTURE

DURATION

Part time over 2 years

INTAKE

February 2018

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

This diploma is available on a part-time basis and is ideal for students wanting to obtain more advanced qualifications while working. The diploma in agriculture covers eight papers in: soil management, plant husbandry, plant and animal health, livestock production systems, farm management, engineering, computing and communication.

The diploma is offered over two 12-week semesters each year. Students take two papers each semester, taking two years to complete the qualification. Students are required to attend class one afternoon a week. See www.lincoln.ac.nz/regionaldiploma for further details.

LOCATION

Wairarapa

FEES (DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL)

Domestic: \$6,990.06

International: \$17,699.00

Compulsory student services fee: \$240.00

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You are qualified for the admission to the Lincoln University Regional Diploma in Agriculture programme if you:

- have a New Zealand University Entrance Qualification; or
- have achieved 40 credits at NCEA Level 2 across four of the subjects recognised by Lincoln University for entry into these diplomas. You must also meet the literacy and numeracy requirements for University Entrance; or

- are over 20 years old and a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident, applying through Special Admission provisions; or
- have successfully completed an approved qualification at NZQA Level 4 or above, e.g. the National Certificate in Agriculture (Level 4).
- IELTS for international students - 6.0 overall band score, with no individual component less than 5.5

PATHWAYS

At the conclusion of the Diploma, students are well placed to contribute positively to land-based employment or to proceed to study at Bachelor's level.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Depending on the amount of prior work experience typical job opportunities after graduation could include assistant manager, stock manager, farm manager, head shepherd, sharemilker, fertiliser rep or sales rep.

PROGRAMME CONTENT

Modules include:

- Farm Management A
- Computing and Communication
- Plant Husbandry
- Soils and Soil Management
- Farm Management B
- Livestock Production
- Plant and Animal Health
- Engineering





LEVEL 5 DIPLOMAS – *Continued*

CENTRAL NORTH ISLAND DAIRY ACADEMY



DURATION

37 weeks (32 teaching weeks, 5 weeks holiday), full-time

INTAKE

February 2018

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

The Central North Island Dairy Academy will offer an intensive 37 week residential programme combining theory, practical training and on-farm experience based around the Massey University Diploma in Agriculture Level 5. The aim of this programme is to develop graduates who possess technical, managerial and leadership skills.

The diploma in agriculture has eight papers that are designed to provide learners with knowledge and appreciation of pasture and crop production and management; animal production, health and management; soil management; farm engineering and mechanisation; financial; business and marketing management; communication skills and personnel management. This is done through an integration of practical training with theoretical knowledge and presentation of reports based on farm operations.

Intakes are limited to fifteen students per year. Students are selected through an application process. The Dairy Academy will operate on the Ariki Dairy Unit, owned by Theland in the Wairakei District near Taupo. Students will live in housing on nearby Theland farms and combine classroom study with practical application of learning on the Ariki dairy farm. Students will be encouraged to gain casual employment on nearby dairy farms, primarily in study breaks.

PROGRAMME BENEFITS:

- Free food and accommodation
- Free transport and travel
- Free extra professional development, text books and learning materials
- Two \$5,000 scholarships are available to those students who excel
- Weekend work available
- Free field trips provided
- 100% employment rate for 2016 and 2017 graduates.

LOCATION

Taupo

FEES (DOMESTIC)

Domestic - \$5,783.44

Compulsory student services fee: \$240.00

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You are qualified for the admission to the Massey University Diploma in Agriculture programme if you have:

- Met the NCEA Level 3 university entrance standard, the specifications of which are on the Massey University website; or
- Successfully completed a National Certificate in Agriculture Level 4; or
- Successfully completed a Massey University Foundation Certificate in Agriculture at Taratahi*
- A minimum of 12 months' farm practical experience

*enquire with us about the Foundation Certificate in Agriculture. Applicants must be 20 years or older.

Only domestic students are eligible for this programme.

PATHWAYS

Graduates are well placed to contribute positivity to employment in the primary industry sector or proceed to higher level study such as a Bachelor's degree in Agricommerce or Agriscience.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Depending on the amount of prior work experience, job opportunities could include:

- Herd Manager
- Assistant Manager
- 2IC

PROGRAMME CONTENT

Papers include:

- Farm and Industry Study
- Milk quality
- Animal Production and Health
- Pasture and Crop Production
- Animal Production
- Farm Production Systems
- Farm Management
- Agricultural Engineering

WHERE CAN I STUDY?

NORTHLAND

Non-residential



WAIKATO / BAY OF PLENTY

Non-residential in
partnership with Wintec

TARANAKI

Non-residential

MANAWATU

Non-residential

AUCKLAND

Non-residential in partnership with MIT



CENTRAL NORTH ISLAND

Dairy Academy



HAWKE'S BAY

Non-residential in
partnership with EIT



WAIRARAPA

Residential campus /
Head Office

TELFORD

Residential campus



Telford
Te Whare Whānaka o Puerua

SOUTHLAND

Non-residential in partnership with SIT



WHERE WE FARM AND TEACH



The following farms are owned, leased or managed by Taratahi. In addition to these farms, we also have access arrangements with many other commercial farms around the country to provide students with learning opportunities.

DAIRY

WAIRARAPA DAIRY UNIT, MASTERTON

Taratahi's 225ha dairy unit is situated on our main Wairarapa Campus. The dairy unit milks around 560 cows through a 46 aside herringbone shed and also rears replacement heifers through to weaning in a modern calf rearing operation.

PUKEWHAI, WAIRARAPA

This farm is situated within ten minutes of Pahiatua. Taratahi's educational activities are integrated into the farm operations on a regular basis. The farm comprises of 163ha effective milking platform. Taratahi targets to peak milk 445 cows for the 2016/2017 season.

WAIMATE WEST DEMONSTRATION FARM, SOUTH TARANAKI

Set up in 1917 to illustrate good farming techniques, the Waimate West Demonstration Farm (WWDF) continues to operate with the same purpose today. The 34ha Demonstration Farm, managed by Taratahi, milks 130 cows through a 16 aside herringbone shed. Waimate West hosts research trials, such as nitrogen, cropping and once a day milking. Since 2012 it has also supported agricultural education for Taratahi's South Taranaki students.

STRATFORD DEMONSTRATION FARM, TARANAKI

Stratford Demonstration Farm was purchased in 1917 by local farmers to establish and operate a model dairy farm to develop and promote improved farming methods. As an Incorporated Society, general farm policy was formulated by a committee of local farmers and agricultural consultants. The farm is run as two herds in a systems farmlet trial, under the control of a consultant.

The 54ha farm runs 170 jersey cows in two milking herds using a 20 aside Herringbone Shed. Performance is measured using the two milk silos for supply to factory.

SHEEP AND BEEF

TAUTANE STATION, HAWKES BAY

Tautane Station is owned by Ngāti Kahungunu Limited and is located on the East Coast in Hawke's Bay, close to Herbertville and approximately 50 minutes from Dannevirke. The farm stretches across a picturesque 12km of coastline which includes the well-known Cape Turn Again.

Tautane is leased by Taratahi, totals 3,375ha and carries 30,000 sheep and beef stock units. Its primary focus is breeding yet we also finish up to 8,000 lambs each year. Tautane featured on Country Calander in August 2016, highlighting learning on the land for our Taratahi sheep and beef students. Tautane hosts Taratahi students for work experience which sees the students staying on farm for up to two weeks at a time.



WHERE WE FARM AND TEACH – *Continued*

MANGARATA, WAIRARAPA

Mangarata is a 518ha breeding and semi finishing farm situated five minutes northeast of Masterton. Comprising of a mix of flat, rolling and medium hill country, the range of topography allows for a broad range of learner experiences. Mangarata runs 4,500 stock units and has a maternal breeding system in place focusing on fecundity and weaning weights. In combination with the sheep flock, Mangarata runs a beef cow operation, where all yearling heifers are mated.

GLENSIDE, WAIRARAPA

Glenside winters over 7,700 stock units on 880ha. It is the amalgamation of two properties (Glenside and Arahura) and is located in Gladstone, 20km south east of Masterton. Glenside farms sheep, beef and deer, with approximately 4,000 ewes and two-tooths, 200 beef cows and 350 mixed age breeding hinds (plus various replacements). Glenside offers a variety of stock work and general farm duties opportunities.

BALLANTRAE – MANAWATU

Taratahi took on the lease of Ballantrae in March 2016. The farm is situated at the bottom of the Saddle Road about 5km from Woodville. It is medium to steep summer safe hill country and is 470ha total with 300ha effective. Ballantrae is running 3,000 stock units which is made up of 2,000 terminal ewes and 900 trading cattle. Ballantrae has also been a part of a long standing fertiliser trial with AgResearch. Taratahi students who study at in Manawatu will use Ballantrae as their base for farm and practical experience.

TELFORD, SOUTH OTAGO

Telford farm is situated on our Telford campus, located 6km from Balclutha in South Otago. The farm has large commercial scale

sheep/beef, dairy, deer and Forestry units with a total land mass of 921ha. The farms aim to perform in the top 25% for their land class and regularly achieve this.

HAWKE'S BAY CAMPUS FARMLAND

The Hawke's Bay Campus amalgamates three blocks within Hawke's Bay totalling 150ha, providing students with a variety of farming topography and stock requirements. A number of local owners in the Hawke's Bay allow access to their farms, with students undertaking roles on these farms that increases their knowledge and skills in a working environment.

These blocks are:

Puketapu Farm, Hawke's Bay: Located 15 minutes from campus this 70ha lease block is used as a fattening farm for cattle. The farm carries approximately 150 R1 replacement heifers and steers that come from Tautane Station, targeting them for sale by the following autumn.

Otatara Farm, Hawke's Bay: On this 55ha block, students establish basic skills in fencing, agri-vehicles, chainsaws and stock handling on this farm due to it being located right on campus. The farm encompasses a woolshed and yards enabling students to develop their stock handling and animal health knowledge. The land is used to carry breeding ewes with the offspring farmed for sale.

Heipipi Farm, Hawke's Bay: Situated ten minutes north of Napier, this 25ha block carries 150 breeding ewes managed similarly to the Otatara block. This land is used as a run-off block for stock during summer when other farms dry off. Sheep and cattle yards provide facilities for stock handling and loading out of stock when sold.



LIFE AT TARATAHI RESIDENTIAL CAMPUS, WAIRARAPA



Students who want to live on campus must complete a Halls of Residence Application Form and be accepted prior to their programme commencing.

Guidelines about expectations of students living at Taratahi are outlined in the Residential Accommodation Policy that is available on our website www.taratahi.ac.nz.

Facilities

The residential facility is staffed 24/7 by supervisors and overnight security to provide a safe and healthy environment for all our students – a home away from home. We have created a friendly, family-like atmosphere that complements students' studies and overall experience at Taratahi.

The campus has a swimming pool, games room with pool and table tennis tables, indoor gymnasium, outdoor basketball hoop and a lounge with Sky TV. A computer room is available for student use after hours and Wifi is available in all rooms.

Our kitchen staff provide three nutritious meals a day, seven days a week for all first year residential students and will cater for individual dietary requirements.

Students' rooms have a bed, desk, storage and heater and second year students often share self-catering and cleaning houses in a flatting situation.

In 2018, the campus will become smoke-free. Students will have access to support and assistance to become non-smokers.

EXTRA CURRICULA ACTIVITIES

Staff organise a variety of activities for students to participate in during evenings and weekends, which may include:

- Sports activities
- Quiz nights
- Movie nights
- Cooking competitions
- Board games nights
- Excursions to Wellington and other local events
- Workshops to enhance self-management skills

The Wairarapa region is perfect for hunting and fishing and students are encouraged to organise these activities during weekends and staff will facilitate transport. Occasionally staff will organise excursions for groups who are keen to learn new skills.

STUDENT COUNCIL

Students living on campus elect Student Council members. The Council meets fortnightly to discuss and tackle issues relating to campus life on behalf of all students. Meetings are minuted and members take up positions such as Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. This is a great opportunity for students to learn leadership and negotiation skills and build confidence.

PASTORAL CARE

Outside of everyday requirements around health, wellbeing and learning assistance that residential staff can assist students with, specialist student support staff are available to students who require additional attention and care, and students are appropriately referred by residential staff as required.

STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

Te Matatahi is our student support centre where students can access support, study spaces and a PC lab. Students can be referred or can self-refer to Student Support Services for support in the following areas:

- Learning support for diagnosed specific learning disorders such as dyslexia, dyspraxia ADHD, ADD, Irlen Syndrome
- Counselling
- Health and wellbeing
- Disability
- Maori and Pasifika
- Hardship

Students are encouraged to seek assistance as soon as possible after they apply to enrol at Taratahi as early intervention with appropriate support will complement and enhance academic progress.

Taratahi's Student Support Policy is available to view on our website: www.taratahi.ac.nz

A photograph showing a person in a black t-shirt and cap shearing a sheep in a woolshed. The sheep is lying on its back, secured by a metal restraint. The person is using a hand shearer. In the background, other people and sheep are visible, along with large piles of wool on the floor.

FAQ'S — WAIRARAPA RESIDENTIAL CAMPUS

WHAT DOES THE WAIRARAPA HAVE TO OFFER AFTER HOURS?

The Wairarapa offers a wide range of outdoor and sporting activities including tramping, hunting and fishing. Masterton has a good sized town centre providing shopping, a movie theatre, a library and recreational facilities.

CAN I KEEP A VEHICLE AT TARATAHI?

Students with restricted or full licences can apply to keep a vehicle on campus. Application forms are available from office or residential staff.

HOW DO I GET TO TOWN IF I DON'T HAVE A VEHICLE?

Regular trips are made to Masterton for supplies and students are taken to appointments they may have.

ARE ALL MEALS PROVIDED?

Our kitchen staff provide three nutritious meals a day, seven days a week for all first year residential students and will cater for individual dietary requirements. Second year students have the option of sharing self-catering houses on campus in a flatting situation.

CAN I BRING A WORK DOG TO TARATAHI?

Sheep and beef students are usually given the option to bring a dog after they have completed two terms of their programme. It is expected the dog is under command and has all of its vaccinations and registration completed before arriving at Taratahi. Approval from the Residential Manager is required and the process for approval will be outlined upon request.

HOW DO I KEEP IN TOUCH WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS?

Taratahi has a computer suite and access to telephones, email and internet. Free wifi is available on campus.

I DON'T HAVE ANY FARMING EXPERIENCE. CAN I STILL APPLY FOR A PROGRAMME?

Yes, give us a call on 0800 TARATAHI. What we are looking for is someone who is passionate and motivated about a career in agriculture whether they have lots of experience or none at all.

If you are aged between 16 - 18, we also suggest you attend one of our Taster courses so that you can be sure of your decision. Attending a Taster course will also help us recommend the right programme for you.

DO YOU PROVIDE ACCOMMODATION AT ALL CAMPUSES?

The only fully residential option is at Taratahi's Wairarapa and Telford campuses and details about these are on page 29 or visit the Telford website: www.telford.ac.nz.

DO I NEED A DRIVER'S LICENCE?

We encourage students to have or gain their restricted licence by the end of their programme of study so they can travel to and from work once they gain employment.

DOES TARATAHI CATER FOR STUDENTS WITH READING OR WRITING DIFFICULTIES?

Taratahi can facilitate external support for learners with diagnosed specific learning difficulties. Literacy and numeracy is embedded into our programmes and tutors are available some evenings to assist students who struggle with reading and writing (Wairarapa only). Some assessments can be oral, if preferred, and others with a reader/writer.

STUDENT SUPPORT

Regardless of where you study, staff will facilitate students' access to support for specific learning disorders, counselling, health and wellbeing, disability, cultural needs and hardship if required.

HOW DO I PAY MY FEES?

Taratahi offers various payment options at enrolment. These are fully discussed when you apply and include payment in full, or instalments by automatic payment.

ARE THERE ANY SCHOLARSHIPS TO HELP PAY FOR MY FEES?

Please see page 34 for more information about scholarships or visit www.taratahi.ac.nz.



HOW TO APPLY

REQUEST AN APPLICATION PACK

For an application pack (which includes an enrolment form), please contact us either via email: info@taratahi.ac.nz or call: 0800 TARATAHI (0800 827 2824).

APPLICATION PROCESS

1. Fill in an enrolment form, either hard copy or online at our website: www.taratahi.ac.nz/enrol-form
2. Applicant notified that the application has been received*
3. Application assessed by Taratahi
4. Applicant to be interviewed by Taratahi
5. Applicant notified of decision
6. If you are accepted:
 - You will need to organise payment of your fees.

Please note that programmes do fill up quickly, so please get your application form and required documentation in early.

*The application will not be processed unless all information and verification of ID is provided. Contact us if you need help with the application process.

APPLICATION PROCESS – HALLS OF RESIDENCE

If you want to reside on the Masterton campus, you will be required to complete a Halls of Residence Application Form at the time of applying to enrol on a programme in Masterton.

Your place in the residential facility will be confirmed upon acceptance of your application and payment of bond, activity fee and one week's rent in advance. You must have a confirmed place prior to your arrival at the commencement of your programme in order for you to live in the residential facility.

An application form will be in your Masterton enrolment pack and is available online.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The following criteria is used to select candidates for a full-time programme:

- Eligible for the programme entry criteria
- Interest in the chosen field of study (agriculture or equine)
- References.

COURSE ACCEPTANCE

Candidates for any programme will first be considered to establish the student's estimated likelihood of success in the programme. There may be some pre-requisites, such as interviews, attending a Taster course, providing additional information or agreeing to a study contract.

ENROLMENT

Students meeting the enrolment criteria are able to apply for a programme of study at Taratahi by filling in an enrolment form and providing the necessary documents. For programmes which have limited places, you may be required to wait until the closing date before being advised whether your application has been accepted. Successful applicants will be offered a place to study, which they must accept.

For New Zealand Certificate in Agriculture (Level 3); National Certificate in Equine Skills (Sporthorse Stable Assistant) (Level 3); New Zealand Certificate in Agriculture (Level 4); Massey University Diploma in Agriculture (Level 5) or the Central North Island Dairy Academy:

The following documentation is also required:

- School report
- 100 word letter explaining why you want to enrol
- Written references x2
- Passport photo
- A copy of driver's licence (if you have one).

FEES, LOANS & ALLOWANCES

Please note that these fees relate specifically to accommodation and other costs relating to the Wairarapa campus only. For information about programme fees, please refer to the information for the relevant programme. For information about our fees policy, as well as withdrawals and refunds please contact the Taratahi regional office relevant to your programme.

You are encouraged to apply for loans and allowances as soon as you apply to enrol at Taratahi so that your account is ready to be activated as soon as your enrolment is confirmed. This will ensure that your fees are paid prior to you starting at Taratahi and that your living costs are paid to coincide with the week you commence study.

ARRANGEMENT	COST
LEVEL 3 Residential student	\$285 per week
LEVEL 3 Day student (includes lunch Monday to Friday and accommodation when rostered on FARM STAY AWAY)	\$65 per week
Level 4 AND 5 student	\$150 per week, self catered \$285 per week, fully catered (22 weeks - Level 4) (32 weeks - Level 5)
Student recreation fee (Residential Students only)	\$100 pa
Hostel bond – Level 3, 4 and 5	\$500 pa

Compulsory Student Services Fee (CSSF)

The Compulsory Student Services Fee (CSSF) is a levy that will be charged to domestic and international students enrolled at at Taratahi from 2018. This fee will be included in your invoice, and can be paid through Studylink, and is also eligible for fees free study*. The CSSF will support student services that aren't covered by tuition fees, such as health services, added student services, student support, etc. Visit www.taratahi.ac.nz for more information.

* Visit: www.feesfree.govt.nz for eligibility criteria and more details.



SCHOLARSHIPS

Taratahi students can apply for a range of scholarships to assist with paying fees and/or accommodation at Taratahi. The following list highlights the many scholarship opportunities that are available.

Beef and Lamb New Zealand	Ray White Allens Education Foundation
Carterton District Council	Regina Rudland Memorial Scholarship
DairyNZ Excellence Award	Richard Mills – Taratahi Scholarship
Doris Elizabeth Swadling Trust	Robert Gibson Methodist Trust Board
Edmond Sanderson Jeff Farm Scholarships – Salvation Army	Rotary Club North Wellington
Elsie and Laura Lehmann Trust	Rotary Club of South Wairarapa
FMG	Royce Nicholls Trust Scholarship
Harwood Farm Trust Scholarship	Rural Women NZ Refer to: www.ruralwomen.org.nz/services/bursaries
Janine Young Memorial Award	Sargent Motorcycles
JE Prestidge Trust Scholarship	Silver Fern Farms Plate to Pasture Scholarship
Kiley Family Memorial Trust	Stihl Shop
L. A. Alexander Agricultural College Trust Board Inc	Stratford High School – Craig Scholarship
LW Nelson Agricultural Scholarship	Sydney Campbell Undergraduate Scholarship
Māori & Pasifika Trades Training Initiative	Te Pukea Whakatupu Trust
Māori Education Foundation – Agricultural Scholarships	The Ann Sinclair Charitable Trust
Margaret Bashford Scholarship	The New Zealand Charolais Cattle Society
Meridian Energy	Wairarapa Rural Women New Zealand
Parininihi Ki Waitōtara Trust	Wairere/Taratahi Scholarship
Peter Laing Memorial Trust	Westpac
PGG Wrightson/Taratahi Scholarship – first year	Whangarei A&P Society
PGG Wrightson/Taratahi Scholarship – Second year	Williams ADB Charitable Trust
Putaruru Veterinary Club Education Trust	

RESEARCH PROGRAMMES

Beef + Lamb New Zealand Genetics - Sheep Central Progeny Test Project

The central progeny test project was instigated to ask the following questions: "Do high performance rams perform well in different environments?" and "do top performing rams on the flat still perform well on harder hill country?"

Starting in 2013, Taratahi's previous lease farm Koromiko in the Wairarapa had been involved in an artificial insemination programme. It has now been moved to Taratahi's Mangarata farm also in the Wairarapa to measure and record the results from 15 dual purpose sires across 800 ewes.

The farm measures and records ewe scanning, number of lambs born, ewe condition, lamb weaning weights and sex, DNA sampling of lambs and yield grade and health status. Mangarata is one of five farms around New Zealand engaged in this trial work and only one of two hill country sites.

Ewe Longevity trial – Massey University

The trial started in 2015 and is based on Taratahi's Mangarata Farm in the Wairarapa.

The ewe longevity trial is looking at the influences of pregnancy diagnosis, birth rank, weight and body condition score at different ages, has on the length of time a ewe stays in the breeding flock.

Beef + Lamb New Zealand Genetics - Beef Central Progeny Test

Beef + Lamb New Zealand Genetics has launched a beef progeny test, which will show how bulls of different types perform under comparable commercial conditions. The test involves about 2,200 cows and heifers and is being run over two years, across five large properties – one of these is Tautane Station. It is hoped that the trial will establish sound genetic linkages between large numbers of stud beef flocks to aid beef breeders to make more informed decisions around which bulls to purchase and who from.

Ravensdown, AgResearch, Massey University & MPI's Primary Growth Partnership - Remote Soil Scanning and Variable Rate Aerial Fertiliser Application

For the next seven years, Tautane Station will host Ravensdown, AgResearch and Massey University in the development of a more comprehensive method of assessing soil nutrient status on hill country farms. The programme aims to optimise fertiliser application to New Zealand hill country through improving existing differential application capability in aircraft - and developing a decision support system which will use remote sensing technology to target fertiliser application where it will produce the most benefit.

DairyNZ - Farmwatch

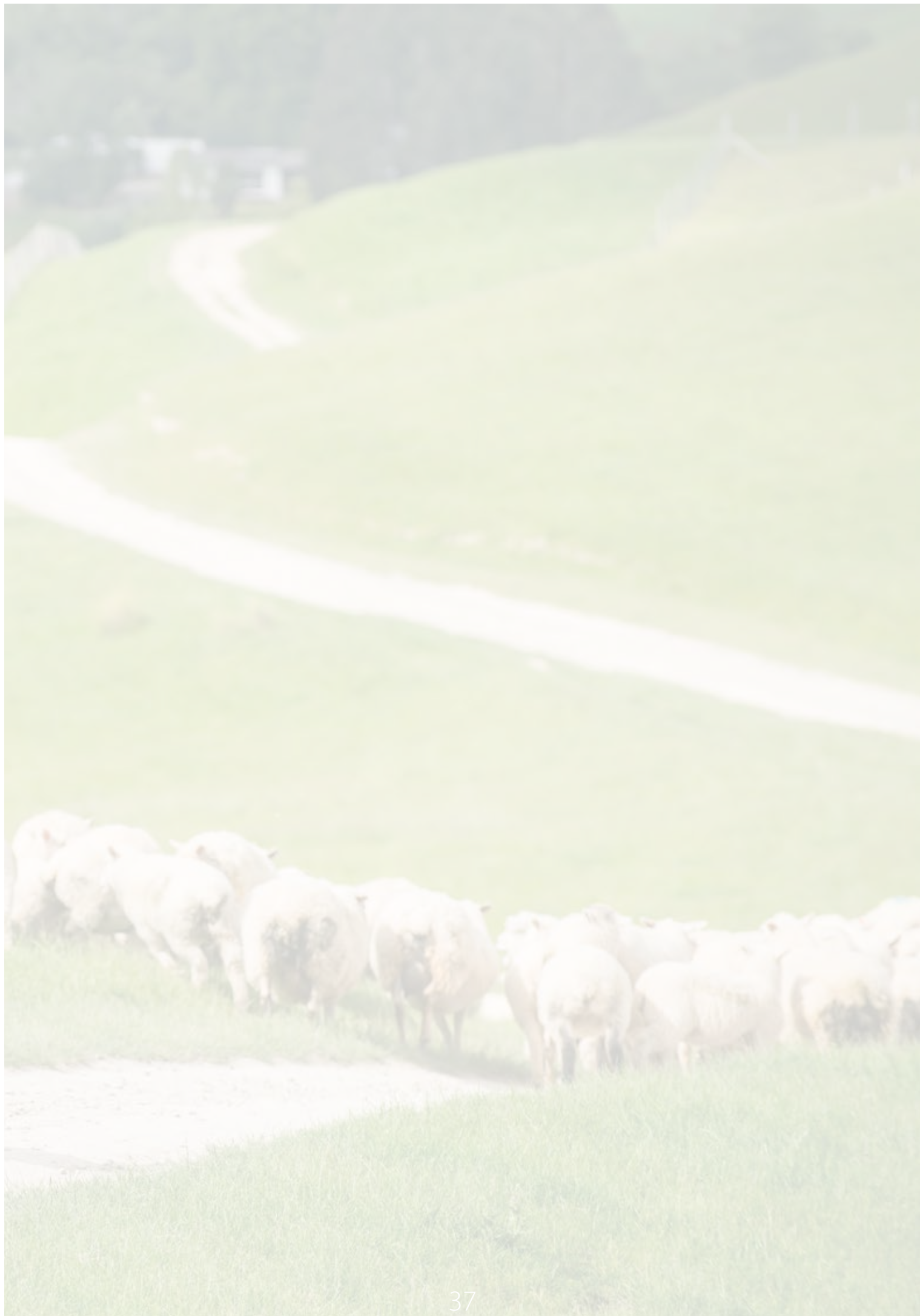
DairyNZ Farmwatch is a weekly summary of the on-farm situation observed throughout New Zealand. This information is published in regional newspapers and online. Taratahi's Dairy Unit contributes information relating to its dairy farms to this report. Information in the Farmwatch allows other farmers around the country see what is happening in the region, and use the information as a benchmark to make decisions for their farms. Information includes soil temperature, rainfall, pasture cover, pasture growth rates, cow condition and milk production.

Farm trials – Stratford Dairy Farms

Taratahi manages two demonstration farms in Taranaki (Waimate West Demonstration Farm (WWDF) and Stratford Demonstration Farm (SDF)). The farms were established to support regional on-farm initiatives and research to improve productivity, resource use efficiency, sustainability and profitability.

Current research trials on the WWDF have included demonstrating the use of new pasture cultivars in improving dairy farm production and profit. An additional trial includes integrating high yield crops to evaluate how much additional dry matter can be generated and the systems required to convert this sustainably into extra milk solids production and profit. This trial is funded by the Sustainable Farming Fund, DairyNZ and other regional sponsors.





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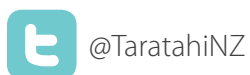
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