



2017 Innovation Award

This award is specifically designed to highlight the technology and innovation that is integral in Horticulture today. As New Zealand's Horticultural industries grow, advancements in technology and research are essential for the industry's success.

The Ravensdown Innovation Award is a way to celebrate the innovation and world class technology that New Zealand businesses are using to transform and grow their industry, at New Zealand's largest Horticultural event.

Previous winners of this award include Plant Detection Systems, Scionon, Tow and Blow and Rokit Apples.

The Ravensdown Innovation Award is an integral part of the National Horticultural Field Day which is held in Hastings on Thursday 29 June 2017.

This year the overall winner will be announced at a special Innovation event as part of the BNZ Seminar Series.

First Prize \$1,000 cash

Entry Information

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Eligibility

The award is open to all individuals and companies resident in New Zealand who have an invention, enhancement or application that is of benefit to the horticultural industries. You do not need to be an exhibitor at the Field Day to enter, however you must be on site to meet with our judging panel on the day.

How to Enter

All applicants must accurately complete all sections of this Entry Form, available on the Competition Website at www.nationalhort.co.nz

The final deadline for the acceptance of entries is on or before 5pm on Friday 23 June 2017.

Prior to submission of an entry, all entrants agree to inform their employer and/or any other persons connected to their entry, and agree to obtain whatever consents and permissions may be required to participate in the Competition. All expenses and costs associated with submitting an entry shall be borne entirely by the entrant(s).

Application Process

Entries will be adjudicated by a Judging Panel appointed by Hawke's Bay A&P Society. Review of entries by the Judging Panel takes place prior to the National Horticultural Field Day and final Judging takes place at the Field Day event on Thursday 29 June.

Innovations and a representative must be on site at the National Horticultural Field Days to meet with the Judges. Businesses are not required to have a trade site at the Field Day, in this case a special area will be set up to showcase the Innovation Award entries.

Decisions of the Judging Panel will be final and no correspondence or communication whatsoever will be entered into in respect of the Judging Panel's deliberation or decisions. The panel reserves the right to present no overall winner.

Innovation Award Entry

Please submit your application [online via our website](#)

Once you have completed your online application, please email supporting information about your Innovation, case studies and photos which will help our Judges to get an understanding of your Innovation. Email information to events@showgroundshb.co.nz

By completing the online entry form, you are agreeing to the terms and conditions of the competition as outlined here.

Award Presentation

The Ravensdown Innovation Award will be presented at the National Horticultural Field Day at Showgrounds Hawke's Bay in Hastings on Thursday 29 June 2017 at approximately 1pm as part of Innovation event.

The Ravensdown Innovation Award finalists will be invited to attend the full Innovation event from 11.30am, which includes lunch. Further details will be sent you once the competition entry process is underway.