



NZSCA Conference and AGM 2026

13th & 14th May 2026 | Novotel Lakeside Rotorua

Programme

Day 1: Programme

8.30am	Registration
9.00am	Welcome and Karakia Phil Holden – MC, and Harmony Smith – NZSCA
Minister to open meeting Hon Andrew Hoggard – Minister for Bio Biosecurity, Minister for Food Safety, Associate Minister of Agriculture, Associate Minister for the Environment	
Strong wool and its future John Monaghan – Chair of Wool Alliance	
Animal Welfare Kevin Bryant – Chief Executive, NZ Veterinary Association	
Business Transformation Matt Hand – GM Global Supply – Zentera	
10.45am	Morning tea (½ hr) – Sponsored by Payroll Plus
Animal Welfare Karen Adair – Deputy Director General – Agriculture & Investment Services, MPI	
Live Well Shear Well – Farmstrong Partnership Phil Holden – NZSCA, Rolland Smith – LWSW Brand Champion, Nigel Beckford – Farmstrong	
Health & Safety in Woolsheds & New Product Updates Kevin Thirkell – National Sales Manager, Heiniger	
12.30pm	Lunch (1hr) – Sponsored by Heiniger

Industry Reform

Rachel Shearer – General Manager Wool &
Director bidr® - PGG Wrightson

News from Australia

Jason Letchford – CEO, Shearing Contractors
Association of Australia

PayBiz Update

Ali King – PayBiz

Workshops (rotate)

The ACC Guys – Dave McRae

PayBiz – Leonie Patrick

Payroll Plus – Liz Short

Animal Welfare – Willy McSkimming

3.00pm Afternoon tea (½ hr, workshops continue) –
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5.00pm Wrap up Phil
Holden – MC

Evening Event at Novotel Lakeside Rotorua

5.30pm Pre-dinner drinks

7.00pm Dinner – Sponsored by PayBiz

After dinner speaker Rowena Duncum from FMG
/ The Country Show and Golden Shears presenter
and commentator.

– Sponsored by Elite Wool Industry Training

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AGM

Day 2: Programme

9.15am	Register for AGM Light morning tea available
9.30am	AGM begins
11.30am	AGM concludes
12.00pm	Make way to lunch venue – Lakeland Queen Drinks on arrival
1.00pm	Lakeland Queen Cruise departs
2.30pm	Cruise arrives back
<i>Afternoon at your leisure</i>	

NB. Times and speakers subject to change.

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