

**Re: Central Hawkes Bay Farmers Veterinary Club**

Dear valued client,

Thank you for your interest in joining the Central Hawkes Bay Farmers Veterinary Club.

Please find attached a brief summary of the CHB Farmers Veterinary Club history and current executive, member benefits, scholarships and our membership application form.

If you require any further information on the CHB Farmers Veterinary Club or our services please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards,



**Hamish Grant | Secretary of the CHB Farmers Veterinary Club**

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**The Central Hawkes Bay Farmers Veterinary Club was established in 1949. Until then there was no professional Vet Practice in Central Hawke's Bay. The (CHB) area was serviced by a private practitioner based in Hastings who travelled down to the more serious cases and a local chemist took care of the lesser problems.**

The vet club movement was started in New Zealand in the mid-20th century to ensure that farmers throughout the regions of New Zealand had the ability to have animal health services provided by Veterinarian's. In order to have vets in your area it was required that you have a club of which a large proportion of farmers in the district were members.

The original veterinary clinic was built on Mt Herbert Road. In 1972 it was decided that the premises were too small and in 1973 the section where the Vet Club is today was purchased. Work began on the current clinic in December 1973. Extensive renovations were carried out to expand and modernise the clinic 2022.

The club members own and maintain the clinic with Vet Services Hawkes Bay leasing it from them. Members pay a subscription to Vet Services and in return they receive discounts for their Veterinary requirements. This makes for an excellent partnership, firstly the club members receiving first class vet service and secondly Vet Services having a modern, purpose-built clinic.

At present there are 500 plus members. Club members on average receive 3.5 times their money back on their subscription.

The Club has an executive committee with a representative from each area of CHB that meet quarterly. The current executive is as follows:

<b>President:</b>	<b>Paul Robottom</b>	(Onga)
<b>Vice President:</b>	<b>Rob Malcolm</b>	<b>(Dairy)</b>
<b>Committee:</b>	<b>Simon Foster</b>	(Otane)
	Sam Duncan	(Elsthorpe)
	Strat Giblin	(Hatuma)
	Nicola Bousfield	(Porangahau)
	Conan Kynoch	(Takapau/Ashley Clinton)
	Theo Twist	(Tikokino/Argyle)
	Ed Bell	(Omakere)
<b>Secretary:</b>	<b>Hamish Grant</b>	

## **Club Member Benefits:**

- Vet Services Hawke's Bay offer a 20% discount on all mileage charged to the club members property.
- Vet Services Hawke's Bay offer up to 20% incentive discount on veterinary fees charged.

The current minimum call out fee is \$90.00, members are offered a 20% discount on this.

The collection of the discount is automatic if the account is paid by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the following month – the discount is automatically lost if account lapses into an overdue status.

The cost of these benefits to the client is \$100.00 plus gst per year.

If you require any further information on our services please do not hesitate to contact the CHB Farmers Veterinary Club's secretary, Hamish Grant (06) 858 9060 or [secretary.chbfvc@vshb.co.nz](mailto:secretary.chbfvc@vshb.co.nz)

## Scholarships:

The Club prides itself on helping young students achieve their career dreams through the provision of tertiary scholarships.

We currently offer three scholarships:

- 1. \$2000 CHB College Scholarship.** All CHB College students going on to tertiary education are eligible to apply.
- 2. \$2000 Vet Club Tertiary Scholarship.** Available to the sons and daughters of vet club members, of member's staff, and of Vet Services staff.
- 3. \$10000 Veterinary Science Scholarship.** Available to the sons and daughters of vet club members, or member's staff, and of Vet Services HB staff. Also available to CHB College students.

For further information please contact Secretary Hamish Grant at Vet Services Waipukurau Clinic, phone 06 858-9060 or email [secretary.chbfvc@vshb.co.nz](mailto:secretary.chbfvc@vshb.co.nz).

**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM**

**Surname:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Christian Names:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Trading/Business Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Postal Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**The subscription for the current year is \$100.00 plus GST**

I wish to apply for membership of CHB Farmers Vet Club. If elected, I agree to abide by the rules of the club and to pay my subscriptions and fees as may be fixed from time to time. I understand that I may resign from the club at any time by giving written notice to the secretary, provided that all subscription and fees are due by me have been paid.

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_