

Job Information Pack

(To be provided to applicants)

Position Summary

Business Name:	Pohuetai Farms
Property Summary:	<p>Pohuetai Farms is a 2160ha breeding and finishing property involved in a group breeding partnership with Focus Genetics.</p> <p>This Block Manager position is based at the Pohuetai Block which is 900ha with contiguous boundaries to the rest of the property. There is a range of contour across the block and the property carries a cross section of stock classes, both in breeding and finishing.</p> <p>The whole of Pohuetai Farms works in conjunction with general work and large seasonal tasks.</p>
Position Title:	Block Manager – Pohuetai Block
Position Overview:	<p>This Block Manager position has responsibility for the stock management on the Pohuetai Block.</p> <p>The Block Manager will be required to plan and carry out stock work, animal health and feed budgeting on a monthly basis. A good team of 4-6 working dogs are required for this role. You will need to be computer literate and able to complete monthly stock reconciliation reports, monthly animal health administration reports as well as participate in the farm's Health & Safety plan.</p> <p>Most of the stock and general purchasing is carried out by the Operations Manager.</p>
Specialist Skills Required:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Excellent stockmanship skills with the ability to operate a 10,800su block• Experience with breeding and finishing• Must be competent in using computer applications as the business is utilising the Farm IQ Data Management system• Good level of general farming skills• Feed planning and rotational grazing experience• Crop allocation and forage planning
Duration of Position:	Full time permanent
Proposed Start Date:	To be negotiated

Staff Structure:	Pohuetai Farms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Farm Operations Manager • 3 x Block Managers • 2 x Shepherds
Partner Work Opportunities:	Dannevirke is five minutes away from the property where there are numerous work opportunities. There may be some casual work available on farm during busy times i.e. docking.

Lifestyle Information

Accommodation:	There is a warm 3 bedroom home with office, open plan kitchen and dining room with a Kent fireplace. There is also a single bay garage.
Farm Location & Community Information:	Otope Road, Dannevirke. The farm is only five minute drive from Dannevirke (Southern Hawke' Bay) which offers a full range of shops, services and sports clubs.
Schooling:	A school bus stops at the gate and goes into Dannevirke where there is a range of excellent Primary and High schooling options available.

Farm Information

Farm Area (total/effective):	Pohuetai Farm – 2160ha <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pohuetai Block – 900ha
Contour: (Flats, rolling hill, steep)	Flat to hill
Soil Type:	Sedimentary loams
Rainfall:	750 to 1100mls
Subdivision/Fences:	Conventional and 5 wire electric. 2ha – 15ha paddocks
Woolshed/Other Buildings:	4 stand woolshed, with a good set of yards and 1100 night pen capacity. 5 way Prattley drafter
Weeds:	Thistles & blackberry

Water:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reticulated water systems • Very few dams
Tracks:	This is a well-developed property with good access and is well-tracked.
Machinery:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quads and side-by-side • John Deere Tractor plus implements • All the cultivation work is done by contractors

Farm Policy & Systems

Production System	Intensive <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Stock Policy - Breeds/Number:	Breeding and finishing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3500MA breeding ewes • 1200 hoggets • 100 breeding cows • 120 heifer replacements • 300 trading bulls
Maternal/Terminal Policy:	Maternal 2000 ewes – Highlander Ram Terminal 1500 ewes – Primera Ram
Sheep – Mating/Lambing/Weaning Dates:	7 th April Ewes 1 st May Hoggets
Cows – Mating/Calving/Weaning Dates:	Calve September, wean March Bull calves sold as weaners All Heifers kept as replacements
Animal Health Practices:	Best practice at all times.
Cropping Policy:	There is a winter and summer cropping policy using forage crops.
Irrigation Systems:	Centre pivot for 40ha

Photos



Map

