



Nomination of
Shane Bouskill

from

New Zealand Fencing Competitions (NZFC)

For the
2017
Norwood
New Zealand
Rural Sportsman
of the Year
Award



Shane Bouskill

To the Norwood New Zealand Rural Sports Awards Judging Panel,

Shane began in the industry as a fencing contractor at the age of 22, and has been a popular competitor on the New Zealand circuit for over 19 years.

At the conclusion of the 2016 season, Shane won the New Zealand National Singles Fencing Championship, more commonly known as the WIREMARK Golden Pliers.

This event is our country's pinnacle of fencing competitions, equivalent to shearing's Golden Shears championship event.

In doing so, Shane has etched his name in the history books alongside fencing legends such as Bill Schuler, John Fagan, Paul Van Beers, Nick Leifting, Owen Peterson, and Wayne Newdick, to name a few.

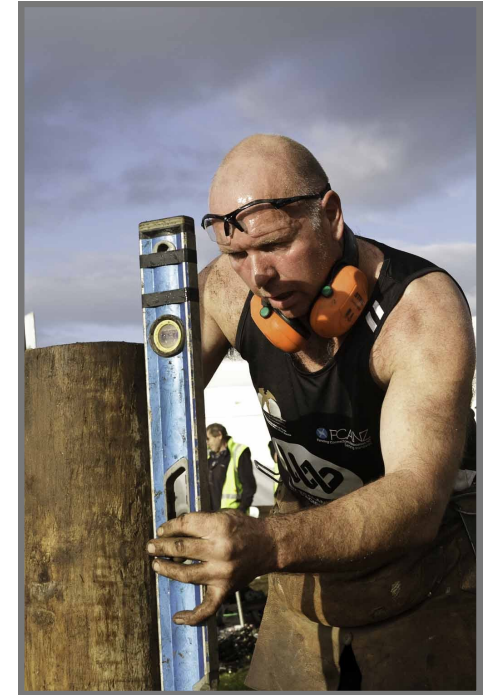
This followed a win at the 2015 Patura World Fencing Championships in Germany, where he was invited to compete on the merits of his 2014 win of the WIREMARK Golden Pliers. (World Championships are held bi-annually).

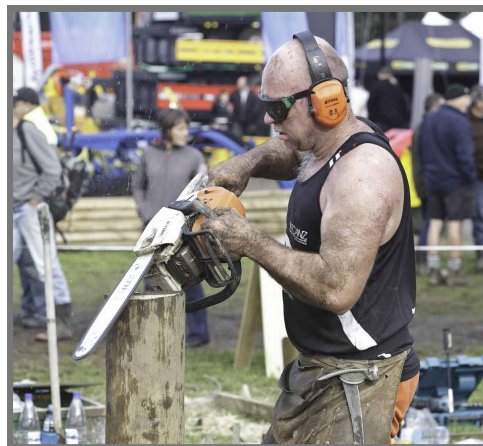
The World Fencing Championships saw Shane compete against 9 other nations, and he became the fourth New Zealander in history to obtain the World No 1 title.

For several years now, Shane has been a tutor at Smedley Station, a agricultural training ground for students interested in farming as a career. Here Shane teaches the cadets everything from fencing, shearing, building, and stock work. More recently, he has been training and encouraging the students through the ranks of the NZFC competition scene.

He also is a prominent figure at fencing demonstration days and the likes, working alongside industry partners and suppliers.

A win on the world stage in *any* sport, is worthy of the highest of accolades, hence why **New Zealand Fencing Competitions- (NZFC)** has great pride in nominating **Shane Bouskill** for the **Norwood New Zealand Rural Sportsman of the Year Award**.





Shane Bouskill

Current
New Zealand
Singles Champion &
WIREMARK® Golden Pliers™
title holder



Current
World Fencing Champion

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