



## Regional Excavator Operator Competition Results (REOC) 2016/17

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### CCNZ Waikato & Bay of Plenty REOC's - 7 & 18 June 2016

The Mystery Creek venue held the first REOC this competition season, with Waikato and Bay of Plenty Branches competing to find their best excavator operators. There was plenty of competition and registrations had to be closed early because of the number of entrants.

**Congratulations go the Waikato Branch place-getters – all from Fulton Hogan:**

Winner	Mike Bowe
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Rob Veltmans
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mike Nation

**Congratulation go the Bay of Plenty Branch place-getters:**

Winner	Brandon Crowley from Crowley Excavators
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Craig Crowley from Crowley Excavators
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Jonny Smith from Fulton Hogan Hairini Link project

Many thanks to regional sponsors: Winstones, King Drilling, Hicks Bros, Higgins Contractors Waikato, Schick Civil Construction, Connell Contractors, Brian Perry Civil, Success Personnel, Tai Poutini Polytech, Connexis and ENZED.

### CCNZ Canterbury REOC - 8 October 2016

Saturday 8 October turned out to be a great day after the Canterbury team battled wind and rain to set up on Friday for the Canterbury REOC. The competition was held in conjunction with the NZ Trucking bi-annual event at the Wigram Air Force Museum and the branch had 19 enthusiastic competitors.

#### **Congratulations go to:**

##### **Experienced Operators:**

Winner	Robbie Gordon from Downer NZ
2nd	Tom Fisher from CB Civil & Drainage
3rd	Tim Tihema from Isaac Construction

##### **Novice Operators:**

Winner	Nick Henry from Higgins Contractors
2nd	Gene Verhoet from SQL
3rd	Ash Broughton from Downer NZ

### CCNZ Auckland REOC – 28 to 30 November 2016

There was an intense three days of competition for the 35 competitors at the Auckland REOC at the Big Boys Toys event at the ASB Showgrounds in Auckland.

#### **Congratulations go to:**

Winner	Jason Toomer-Reti	ICB Retaining & Construction
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Brian Hoffman	Brian Hoffman Ltd
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Keresoma Laeli	United Civil
Team Prize	United Civil for the most accumulated point for: Keresoma Laeli Chris Harry Moses Pu Tamainu	
Good Bugger	Miles Dempsey	Opie Contractors
Non Member	Laine Christensen	L C Contractors

Many thanks to regional sponsors: ENZED, CivilShare App, ICB Retaining & Construction, Stellar Workforce, Oil Intel, Unitech, Connexis, Tai Poutini digger school, Pilehire and BeforeUDig.

### CCNZ Manawatu REOC - 5 & 6 November 2016

The Manawatu REOC was held at the AMP Show in Feilding with 14 very competitive entrants.

#### **Congratulations go to:**

First Place	Sam Scott	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Paul Keenan	JR Collins Contracting
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Julian Collins	JR Collins Contracting

### CCNZ Hawke's Bay Branch REOC - 6 November 2016

Hawke's Bay has 11 competitors with some new faces competing at a very successful event at the HB Showground.

**Congratulations go to:**

Winner	Dan Mepham	Gair Contracting
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Bart Mulder	Pro Arbore
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Adam Saunders	Downers NZ

**Results from individual competition tasks:**

1 <sup>st</sup> Health & Safety	Adam Saunders	Downers NZ
1 <sup>st</sup> = First Aid	Bart Mulder	Pro Arbore and;
	Grant Karaitiana	Downers NZ
Best on Machine	Ryan Gordon	Downers NZ
Best First-timer	Tui Paikey	QRS

### CCNZ Northland Branch REOC – 3 & 4 December 2016

In front of an enthusiastic audience at Barge Park, Northland Branch's nine competitors had to impress the judges by using their excavators to pour tea, climb over blocks, stack tyres, build a pond to plan, load an excavator on a trailer and slam dunk a basketball. They also had to demonstrate a good knowledge of health and safety while completing the new industry "ConstructSafe" competency test and an emergency scenario.

The competition was very tight with only 12 points separating the top five contestants.

**Congratulations go to the following people:**

Winner	Bryce Coughlan	Clements Contractors
2 <sup>nd</sup>	James Farrell	Clements Contractors
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Josh Connolly	Wharehine Contractors

### CCNZ Otago Branch REOC - 28 January 2017

The Otago Branch had a great day last Saturday at the Tairere A & P Show. The sun shone for the well-attended competition after a fairly wet set up day the day before.

**Congratulations go to the following people:**

Winner	Josh Keane	Southroads Limited
2 <sup>nd</sup> :	Troy Calteaux	Andrew Haulage 2011 Limited
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Glenn Agate	Whitestone Contracting Limited
4 <sup>th</sup>	Jordon Boorer	Clearwater Civil Limited

Otago Regional Excavator Operator Company Challenge – Winner – Andrew Haulage 2011 Limited – (Troy Calteaux / Blake McLaren / Rocky Lee Waters / Bevan Corbett).

Sincere thanks go to the regional sponsors who also give great support to the branch to help make the event happen:

- Firth Industries
- Fulton Hogan Dunedin
- Holcim
- Hynds Pipe Systems
- E-Road
- Geofabrics New Zealand Limited
- Hollands Excavation Ltd
- Total Harvesting Limited
- Marshall Ag & Baleage Limited
- Special thanks to Volunteer Ron Hollands

### **Wellington/Wairarapa Branch REOC – 25 February 2017**

Big congratulations and thanks go to all the competitors and companies who showed off their digger skills on a scorching day at Trentham Park.

There was a field of 14 keen competitors:

Shane Brownell & Michael O’Brien from Brownell Earthmoving & Plant Hire

Thomas Marsh, Malingi Tiatia, Jack Peke & Rhys Hepi from Higgins

Anthony King and Hawera Beattie from Goodman Contractors

Ben Jones from Action Civil

Ihaka Johnson from Pritchard Civil Contractors

James Hume from Fulton Hogan

Willy Carberry, Ray Ritchie & Hohepa Whare from Construction Contracts Ltd

Special congratulations go to the overall place-getters as follows:

Winner	Anthony King	Goodman Contractors
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Hawera Beattie	Goodman Contractors
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Ben Jones	Action Civil

Some other results:

Barrel-filling:

First	Higgins
2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Construction Contracts

Best Lift                      Ben

Best Golf                      Hohepa

Best Slam Dunk              James

Best Health & Safety        Mike

And our thanks to the regional sponsors who give great support to the branch to help make the event happen:

- Holcim Aggregates Kiwi Point Quarry
- Winstone GBC
- Tudor Distributors
- E Carson & Sons
- Dews Construction
- Goodman Contractors
- CCL
- Juno Civil
- Equip Recruitment
- Chorus

Chorus' team ran the mini-dig all day and raised \$380.30 for the Child Cancer Foundation – a great effort!