

# Dairy Consultancy now available through LHVC!

Introducing Charlene Christensen as a Headlands Consultant for Levin and Horowhenua. Charlene has 10 years' experience as a clinical vet, and has now moved into consultancy. She is married to a dairy farmer, so has an excellent practical understanding of the issues associated with the industry. She has completed an extensive training programme through Headlands – Ahead of the Game (previously known as Intelact). Headlands is the leading dairy consultancy company in New Zealand, with a network of consultants nationwide. With such a large network of highly skilled consultants there is access to the latest science and technology in the dairy industry.

Services include:

- 1) Farm visits
  -  Pasture scoring
  -  Cow condition
  -  Feeding and nutrition
  -  Farm strategy
- 2) Financial analysis
  -  RedSky
- 3) Environmental planning
  -  Overseer
  -  ESCT



All of this can be tailored to meet whatever needs you may have on farm. This can be an ongoing consultancy relationship, or a one-off discussion for planning for key times of year. If you would like a copy of an example of a RedSky report, just ask one of the farm team at the clinic!

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*Testimonial from Peter Bartholomew, dairy farmer and Vet Club Vice-President:*

*I, Peter Bartholomew, as well as members of the Vet Club committee, decided that it would be good to have a consultant within the practice. The Vet Club paid for Charlene's training to give our members access to a nationwide consultant network at club member charge-out rate. Charlene has been consulting with me for a year, and I have found running my accounts through RedSky particularly informative. I now know where my strengths and weaknesses are financially.*

*What I enjoy the most about Charlene's visit is the fresh perspective on my farming business and the latest information on the dairy industry. She keeps me up to date with what is current with ESCT and what the future holds for our industry. Charlene is also looking to be involved in consents going forward.*

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