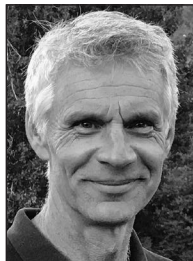


## GOWER, Scott

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### MY BACKGROUND/FARMING AND GOVERNANCE EXPERIENCE

- I operate a 1300 ha hill country sheep and beef property in Ohura, in the King Country, with my wife Robyn.
- High Glades is part of a family farming business comprising over 60,000 sheep and beef SU.
- I am a current Ravensdown Director and have over 12 years successful governance experience.
- I hold a certificate in company direction from the NZIoD, and continue to up-skill myself in all aspects of governance.
- I have been involved in numerous community and industry organisations - including being chair of the area Beef + Lamb New Zealand monitor farm and vice president of the regional Federated Farmers.
- We completed a successful 4 year program as Beef + Lamb New Zealand monitor farmers ourselves - arming me with valuable insight into the scope and grass roots of this organisation.

**I am a committed advocate for farmer owned co-operatives and industry lead organisations.**

### PERSONAL STATEMENT

I am supportive of Beef + Lamb New Zealand current strategy. I see one of the organisations' most vital roles as working within our markets to strengthen our 'brand'. In order to be successful in future we need to bring urban New Zealand with us and be recognised as food producers, not **just** 'farmers'.

Food production in a modern context brings with it a diverse range of environmental and financial issues, as well as increasing regulatory confinements and public image concerns.

As a hands-on farmer I know how hard we work within these parameters to get our excellent product to market, and I bring this knowledge and work ethic with me to the board table - as well as my **passion for a more profitable and sustainable meat industry in NZ.**

**I have been involved in agriculture all my life, and remain firmly committed to the positive future of our industry.**

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My wife Kylie and I farm "Tyrone", a 600 hectare hill country farm in the heart of the Rangitikei region. Sheep and cattle farming is our primary business but we have also diversified into tourism with Rangitikei Farmstay and event management with "The Mudder" over the past decade. My family first came to the district in 1901 and although this long history has helped shape me, I am always looking towards the future and the challenges we all face.

I have also worked as an agricultural journalist for the past ten years, writing for Country Wide and Young Country magazines and more recently for NZ Farmers Weekly. These roles have allowed me to tell the stories of some fantastic rural people all over New Zealand, and also to experience a diverse range of farming businesses.

I have always followed with interest the progress of Beef + Lamb New Zealand. It's my belief that because I pay a significant amount of levies for sheep and cattle each year, it is in my best interest to make sure it is spent wisely within the organisation.

In early 2017, I was selected to become the inaugural Associate Director for Beef + Lamb New Zealand and served a one year term around the board table. Having experienced the wide range of complex issues facing our sector at all levels, I feel I made valuable contributions in this governance position.

A lifetime of experience as an active sheep and beef farmer combine well with strong written and verbal communication, an analytical mind and governance and leadership experience. I feel I can make a significant contribution as an elected Director if I was to be successful, and I am passionate and motivated to further improve the industry and communities that I work and live in.