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GENERAL INFORMATION

A CLOSING DATES – NOTICE TO BREEDERS ENTERING VARIETIES IN CENTRAL DUS TRIALS

CONDUCTED BY THE PVR OFFICE

You will need to meet the following deadlines in order to have your variety included in the central trials to be established in 2018.

Peas – Make application by 1 August 2018

Please note that the closing date for Peas is now later than previously.

Potatoes - Make application by 1 August 2018

Spring Cereals – Make application by 1 August 2018

Spring sown Forage Brassicas - Make application by 1 September 2018.

B TECHNICAL FOCUS GROUP MEETING

The annual meeting of the Plant Variety Rights Technical Focus Group was held on Tuesday 12 June 2018 in Wellington. This meeting provides the opportunity for the sharing of information and views between breeders, applicants, industry and PVRO. The meeting report will be available on the website in early July.

This year's meeting coincided with the visit of Peter Button, Vice Secretary General of the International Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants (UPOV). The presentation about UPOV and international plant variety protection provided to breeders in the afternoon of 12 June can be made available on request.

C ANNUAL MEETING OF THE TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP FOR PASTURE SPECIES

The meeting is proposed to be held on Wednesday 1 August 2018 at The Plant Variety Rights Office

Southern Business Centre, 55 Wordsworth Street, Christchurch

D STAFF CHANGES

PVRO is pleased to welcome Kylie Miller as a PVR Examiner, working mainly with fruit crops. Kylie works Monday to Wednesday and is based in Hawkes Bay. Phone 021 852 901 .

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