

# A TOP job

**W**olland Contracting in Paihiatua has a longstanding relationship with the Pottinger brand, running both mowers and rakes in their demanding business. Of their current brood, the three Pottinger TOP rakes impress them the most.

The two smaller TOP 762C twin rotor rakes and large four rotor TOP 1252C model, produce such a clean raking job with no soil contamination of the crop, customers are always more than impressed. The major benefit of the Pottinger rakes for Wolland contracting is the lack of tine breakage, saving both downtime and overall cost of ownership.

The perfect swath finish, which customers have become accustomed to, is created without the need to bury the tines into the ground. This allows a saving of both tine breakage and soil contamination.

The tines are straight, directly under the tine arm, without any need for a steep offset angle. The reason this is so successful is when the forage hits the tine, the tines flex back slightly but do not rise upwards, therefore creating a smooth clean finish.

For New Zealand conditions, the most significant feature on the Pottinger rakes is the multitask wheel. This is a jockey wheel that sits in front of each rotor and ensures smooth

running of the rotors. This is due to the ideal gap between the tines and the ground being constantly maintained. Clean forage is guaranteed with no soil contamination resulting in higher quality silage.

The often undulating contour of New Zealand paddocks is no match for the Multitask wheel, which guides the rotor up quickly over knobs and stops the rotor from bottoming out in hollows.

Due to the tines just touching the grass, considerably less stress is placed back through the tine arms, rotor and camtrack. Quality swathing with minimal stress and down time—truly a TOP job. ■



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