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Synlait Milk Scoopes Agri-Business Award

Synlait Milk has scooped the Agri-Business Award in the Sensational Selwyn Awards, which recognise business excellence in the Selwyn District.

Over 500 people attended the biennial awards dinner held on 28 July at the Lincoln Events Centre. Finalists for the award included Coppersolly Limited and Ellesmere Transport Company Limited.

Since operations began in 2008, Synlait has grown to become one of Selwyn's largest companies, processing over 500 million litres of milk a year from around 150 Canterbury farms, and employing 128 staff.

Synlait exports to over 40 countries and has grown revenue to \$400 million in only four years of operation from its Rakaia site.

The Agri-Business award recognises the growth of Synlait Milk in the Selwyn District and the company's contribution to the local community, by increasing economic benefit, agriculture productivity, innovation and environmental awareness.

"The Agri-Business award is testament to our business strategy and the effort from all our staff. It is an honour to be recognised by our local community for our continuing commitment to the district," says Synlait CEO John Penno.

Selwyn mayor and awards committee chair Kelvin Coe said "the awards had been a fantastic event focused on the heroes of the Selwyn District – people and business who are dedicated to their community, their work, the environment and to achieving their goals, Synlait is a fine example of this."

Synlait was also a finalist for the Business Award.

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