



**ROYAL NORTHERN
AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY**

**- North East Awards Scheme -
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Information about the Scheme and Rules

The area of the Society is North East Scotland (between Northwaterbridge in the South and Forres in the North). The nominee does NOT need to live in the RNAS area but need to have contributed to the industry within the RNAS area. One Award is made in each category each year.

A Selection Panel will meet July/August time to discuss nominations. It is expected to have representation from leading organisations active in North-East Scotland, plus representatives from RNAS on the panel.

Local organisations and individuals are asked to nominate individuals for these Awards and to provide citations supporting their nominations. Selection is based on the information provided in the citation. Nominations which did not result in Awards in past years are not re-considered automatically but will be considered by the Selection Panel if formally re-submitted to the Secretary by the closing date. The original citations may be used.

The “Public Award” will be made to a public figure or personality for Services to Agriculture. The recipient will receive the Press & Journal /R.N.A.S. Shield for one year, a Certificate and an Award.

The “Local Award” for Services to Local Communities, Specialist Farming Organisations or Groups will be made to a non-public figure who has in their own way made an outstanding contribution to progress in the Industry. The recipient will receive the Aberdeen and Northern Marts/R.N.A.S. Certificate and have their name inscribed on the Roll of Honour at the Thainstone Centre and an Award.

The “David Argo Award”, will be made to an “Unsung Hero” working within the agricultural sector who merits particular recognition. Someone who has had very little public recognition but who might not qualify for the above awards. The recipient will receive the RNAS Shield for one year, a Certificate and an Award.

The “35 years and under Award” – as of the 31st December in the year of the Award. The award will be made to someone in that age group who has shown significant achievement and contribution in agriculture. The recipient will receive the SRUC /R.N.A.S. Shield for one year, a Certificate and an Award.