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## LOWER NORTH ISLAND TOP SHOP WINNERS ANNOUNCED

The best shops from Hawke's Bay, Manawatu, Wairarapa, Hutt Valley and Wellington, have been named at the Retail NZ Lower North Island Top Shop Awards in Wellington tonight, with Flight Centre Chews Lane awarded Overall Regional Top Shop.

“The Retail NZ Top Shop awards celebrate those who have achieved retail excellence over the past year, and aims to lift the bar of retailing in New Zealand. The best stores are selected based on three rigorous rounds of judging - two in-store assessments and a panel selection, across a broad range of store types, including national chains and independent boutiques,” Retail NZ Chief Executive Mark Johnston said tonight.

“All the finalists and winners should be very proud of what they've achieved, but I offer a special congratulations to the team at Flight Centre Chews Lane, which took top honours against a tough pool of six finalists in the National/Multi-Store category, and was also awarded the title of Overall Regional Top Shop for the Central North Island. Judges who visited Flight Centre Chews Lane were impressed by the friendly and helpful staff with excellent first-hand experience of the packages offered.”

There was also a People's Choice award for the best Top Shop in the region which this year was awarded to Napier Florist, beauKayes.

Selena Campbell from Feilding's Rosebowl Café was named as the Service IQ Retail Professional of the Year for the Lower North Island.

The team from Flight Centre Chews Lane, and Retail Professional Selena Campbell, will compete against other regional winners for the National Supreme Awards in Christchurch on 3 September.

### Lower North Island Retail NZ TopShop Award winners:

*Fashion & Footwear sponsored by The Register*  
**Winner Ziera Havelock North**  
Runner Up Ziera Otaki

*Health & Beauty sponsored by Retail NZ*  
**Winner Kd One Skincare & Cosmetics (Tawa)**

*Food & Beverage sponsored by Meridic*  
**Winner Glengarry Kelburn**  
Runner Up La Bella Italia (Petone)

*Home & Garden sponsored by Westpac*  
**Winner Carpet Court Thorndon Quay**

Runner Up Studio 128 (Johnsonville)

*Jewellery & Giftware sponsored by Union Pay*  
**Winner Grieve Diamond Jeweller**  
(Hastings) Runner Up Silvermoon Porirua

*Technology & Electronics sponsored by*  
**Rightway Winner Spark Willis St**  
Runner Up Spark Palmerston North Broadway

*Small/Single-Store sponsored by Retail NZ Winner*  
**Made Marion (Wellington)** Runner Up Parker  
Ferguson Studio (Wellington)

*National/Multi-Store sponsored by Visa*  
**Winner Flight Centre Chews Lane**  
(Wellington) Runner Up Flight Centre Masterton

*People's Choice sponsored by The Hits Winner*  
**beauKayes Florist (Napier)**  
Runner Up Pumpkin Patch Wellington

Runner Up Wallace Cotton Napier

*Lifestyle & Sports sponsored by Spark*  
**Empire Skate & Street (Lower Hutt) I**  
Hunting & Fishing Hutt Valley

*Retail Professional sponsored by Servi*  
**Selena Campbell - Rosebowl Café (Fe**  
Runner Up Kalima Farris - The Pet Cen

*Single-Store Omnichannel sponsored b*  
**Mastercard Winner LET LIV (Wellingt**  
Runner Up D.VICE (Wellington)

*Multi-Store Omnichannel sponsored by*  
**Energy Winner Glengarry Kelburn**  
Runner Up Kilt Wellington

*Regional Overall Winner sponsored by*  
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