

KUBOTA AND OTAGO REGIONAL RESCUE HELICOPTER JOIN FORCES

PALMERSTON NORTH – (1st June 2011) – The job of operating an emergency rescue helicopter service out of Dunedin has been made considerably easier for the Otago Regional Rescue helicopter service, due to the recent support of Kubota New Zealand and C B Norwood Distributors Ltd.

The 23hp Kubota BX2360 tractor supplied to the service in March will be used to pull the rescue helicopter out of its hangar on a trailer.

The Otago Regional Rescue helicopter has been rescuing people in the Otago district since 1998, and last year was responsible for rescuing 388 people, with rescues ranging from vehicle accidents right through to hikers injured in the bush.

Kubota Sales Manager Shaun Monteith says "We here at Kubota New Zealand are pleased to be able to supply a tractor to such a fantastic cause. The Otago Regional Rescue helicopter has a geographical area of 500 square kilometres to perform rescues in. Reliability is a key component in any rescue situation and that's another reason why Kubota fits the bill nicely, not only do they get a brand new tractor for the job but also arguably the most reliable tractor for the job."

The BX2360 offers a range of high-quality features and benefits Kubota is renowned for. With rigid roll-over-protective structure as standard, the BX2360 has hydrostatic power steering for ease of operation and driver comfort. Halogen lights provide better sight at night, while the new slanted hood and rounded design also offer improved visibility.

Kubota New Zealand are proud to be supporting local communities throughout New Zealand with our ongoing commitment to supplying tractors to rescue helicopters throughout the country. Kubota look forward to supporting an area near you.

Images:

- 1. BX2360 Otago Regional Rescue.jpg
- 2. BX2360 Otago Regional Rescue Helicopter.jpg

Caption: (From left) Shaun Monteith (Kubota New Zealand) and Greg Shirley (Otago Regional Rescue Helicopter)

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