

Wider wheels to grip

CLIC Wheel Systems Ltd, Rotorua, can now fit its dual wheels to even more farm machines and turfcare vehicles, says principal Andy Guett.

A John Deere ride-on lawnmower was the latest, following ATVs in 2003 and utilities 2004-05.

Spraying contractor Dennis Donaldson,

Cambridge, fitted Clic wheels to his Toyota ute two years ago and says they make "a massive difference".

Wet weather now doesn't bring downtime, he says. There's no spinning wheels, ripping up pasture or getting towed out. "There's nothing like getting on with the job."

Dual wheels substantially widen the vehicle,

making it more stable and less likely to roll.

"It's much safer," Donaldson says. Vehicles have double the grip, traction and flotation on undulating and steep land and while spraying along fence lines.

Kaimai deer farmer Colin Patterson says the difference Clic dual wheels have made to his Polaris Magnum 500 ATV is "unreal".

Kaimai country and weather is rugged and wet yet Patterson says he has halved the time needed for feeding out

by using the bike and a trailer.

With more traction and towing power, increased weight distribution, flotation and stability, he can work uphill and downhill, and on and off tracks that once were too slippery.

Guett says he is confident his dual wheels will reduce off-road accidents. "It's not only on farms; we've got people using them for hunting, in adventure tourism, on beach buggies and on golf courses."

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