

VICTORIAN AGRICULTURAL SHOWS LTD NEWSLETTER



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Chairpersons Report – Jenny Daffy



Dear Members,

I am pleased to provide a report of things that I have done in the past few months and some outcomes for the Board meetings as per the following:

- **Australian Sheep & Wool Show** – Attending the Sheep Show which was a fantastic event with lots to see and thousands of sheep. State Judging finals of the Fleece, Meat & Wool Sheep were held with participation from SA school students which as a separate competition on the day which they appreciated the opportunity to participate. Winners represent at the National to be held in Perth 2019.
- **Field Day Events** – Attended the Mallee Machinery Field Days which was their 40th Anniversary of the field days which displayed some magnificent and very large machinery. Sheepvention was held on the 7th August which was another very large and successful event for the sheep industry. It was also the 40th year of Sheepvention.
- **Pakenham Horse Show** – Attended to help for the day stewarding which was a very successful show.
- **National Finals** – Went to Adelaide to attend the National finals for a few days which was during the Beef Cattle & Sheep Competitions. Also attended the Rural Ambassador dinner and it was fantastic that our Victorian representative Sophie Crooke – Lay was the overall winner and congratulations to Sophie who was an outstanding winner. Congratulations to other finalists on their individual successes.
- **Melbourne Royal Show** – Attending the official opening lunch along with the VAS EO and partners and it was very much appreciated to be invited. Rural Ambassador competition was on the same weekend and the 7 finalists were fantastic and a very worthy bunch of young people. The presentation luncheon was on the Sunday at the Taylors Lakes Hotel and the winner was James Kirkpatrick from the Midland group and runner up Hayden Williamson from Nathalia. Interesting that both the young men were runners up at their group finals but come through and won the competition.
- **Beef Cattle Competitions** – Sunday 30th September was the State finals of the Beef Cattle Competitions and many thanks to Brian Keirl and stewards and the Bowles family for their assistance running the finals. The winners were Claudia Spencer (Paraders) & Rylie Cherrey (Judging).
- **Spring Shows** – Attended and judged horses and officially opened the 131st Numurkah Show which had wonderful weather and increases in some sections. Ararat Show was the next weekend and the Ararat Committee had conducted public meetings only several weeks before the Show as its future was in doubt. A huge congratulations to Darren Maddern and Daniel Taylor that live several hours away from Ararat that got behind the Show and ran a very successful horse section getting lots of sponsors and garlands donated. Several people come forward from the public meeting and got behind the show to make it work. Well done to all involved at Ararat.
- **Board Outcomes** –
 - **Social Media** - Since the last meeting lots of things have been on the go and the development of the facebook page and social media coverage has been great lead by Chloe Bowles. Chloe presented a report on the social media coverage at the last Council meeting with fantastic visitation on the VAS website accessing the Members show information.
 - **Next Generation** – Sophie Crooke-Lay and Jane Irvine have been invited to participate in a phone meeting for the National Next Generation later in the month. A new Next Generation facebook page is being created to start again as the previous one hasn't been very active which is a step in the right direction. A social function will be held on Saturday 15th December.
 - **Council Meetings** – The Board welcomes feedback regarding the attendance at the Council meetings as the annual Conference is being well attended but the other meeting very lowly attended.
 - **Secretary Workshops** – The EO was successful in getting State Government funding and 5 workshops will be held between February & April 2019 in various locations. More detail will become available via the Secretaries.
 - **VAS Convention** – The 2019 Convention will be held at Camperdown and the South Western Group were successful with their application and other applications were received from Lilydale & Mildura Societies. Expression of interest will be welcomed from Societies or groups that would like to host the 2020 Convention to be submitted via the VAS Office.
 - **New National Competitions** – Poultry Judging and Alpaca Judging competitions have been added to the National range of competitions. Victoria had a representative compete in Adelaide this year and next year will be the first Alpaca judging competition. It is encouraged or show to run a competition if you have enough interest.
 - **State Fleece Competition** – At next years Convention the State Fleece competition will be held with winners of group finals being the eligible competitors. All groups are encouraged to include a fleece competition at group level being the winning overall fleece from the local shows to group final.

In closing I wish you all a Merry and Safe Christmas and prosperous 2019.

Jenny Daffy
VAS Ltd Chairperson

2018 VAS Ltd State Final Results – Royal Melbourne Show

2018 VAS Ltd Junior Boiled Fruit Cake State Final

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Winner: Matt Mitchell - Midlands
Second: Eleanor Robinson – North Eastern
Third: Ben Wickenton – South Western
HC: Jasmine Ash – Northern District
HC: Jorja Douglas – Western District
C: Lisa Gallagher – Central & Upper Goulburn
Finalist: Caleb Turton – Central & South Gippsland
Finalist: Chloe Scott - Gippsland
Finalist: Emily Polack - Wimmera
Finalist: Rachael Matthews – Goulburn Valley

2018 VAS Ltd Junior Photography State Final

Winner: Bronte Bowles – Northern District
Second: Neve McClure – Western District
Third: Alexis Collins – Wimmera
Finalist: Caleb Sinclair – North Eastern
Finalist: Clare Clarke – Midlands
Finalist: Ethan Cunningham – Central & Upper Goulburn
Finalist: Jessica Trevaskis – Goulburn Valley
Finalist: Lucas Fahey – Murray Valley
Finalist: Malia Wheal – Gippsland
Finalist: Morgan Woodward – Central & South Gippsland
Finalist: Oliver Wilson – South Western

2018 VAS Ltd Patchwork State Final

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Winner: Wendy Gontier – Central & South Gippsland
Second: Nancy Johnson – Gippsland
Third: Debbie Clifford – Northern District
VHC: Pauline Holden – Wimmera
HC: Sharon Chessari – Murray Valley
C: Suzanna Lyle – Midlands
Finalist: Adele Schweicker – Goulburn Valley
Finalist: Joan Hamilton – Central & Upper Goulburn
Finalist: Judith Merkel – North Eastern

2018 VAS Ltd Sewing State Final

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Winner: Maree Logan – Goulburn Valley Riverina
Second: Margaret Finn – Midlands
Third: Lorraine Van Den Oever – Gippsland
VHC: Carol Sincock – Northern District
Finalist: Ann Ware – Central & Upper Goulburn
Finalist: Jan Coates – Wimmera
Finalist: Judy Byron – North Eastern
Finalist: Karen Jackson – South Western
Finalist: Meaghen Fahey – Murray Valley
Finalist: Valmai Walker – Central & South Gippsland

2018 VAS Ltd Rich Fruit Cake State Final

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Winner: Anne-Marie Primmer – Central & Upper Goulburn
Second: Lynne Wickenton – South Western
Third: Louise McCudden – North Eastern
VHC: Leah Panos – Midlands
HC: Judy Keegan – Central & South Gippsland
Finalist: Bettina Kent – Western District
Finalist: Margaret Watson – Goulburn Valley
Finalist: Mary Grant – Murray Valley
Finalist: Peter Lloyd-Jones – Northern District
Finalist: Rita Cavanagh – Gippsland
Finalist: Stephen Carman – Wimmera

2018 VAS Ltd Senior Photography State Final

Winner: Rebecca Dalton – Goulburn Valley
Second: Min Hamdorf – North Eastern
Third: Chriss Perry – South Western
Finalist: Aaron Hawkins – Northern District
Finalist: John Rapley – Central & Upper Goulburn
Finalist: Lavina Butterworth – Midlands
Finalist: Linda Keagle – Central & South Gippsland
Finalist: Lynn Aristides - Wimmera
Finalist: Margaret Smith – Western District
Finalist: Ryan Miller – Gippsland
Finalist: Samantha Maude – Murray Valley

2018 VAS Ltd Embroidery State Final

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Winner: Shirley Dennis – Gippsland
Second: Linda Maher – Northern District
Third: Elaine Watson – South Western
Finalist: Carol Summerfield – Central & South Gippsland
Finalist: Janet Watson – Midlands
Finalist: Jeanette Kenney – Central & Upper Goulburn
Finalist: Judith Ramsdale – North Eastern
Finalist: Margaret Davis – Goulburn Valley
Finalist: Mary Aldrich – Murray Valley

2018 VAS Ltd Knitting State Final

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Winner: Mary Aldrich – Murray Valley
Second: June Radford – Wimmera
Third: Heather Graham – Gippsland
HC: Mavis Neumann – Central & Upper Goulburn
C: Phyllis Thomas – North Eastern
Finalist: Gwenda Hill – Midlands
Finalist: Janet Angel – Western District
Finalist: Kaye Howells – Central & South Gippsland
Finalist: Kerri Bremner – South Western
Finalist: Linda Ford – Goulburn Valley



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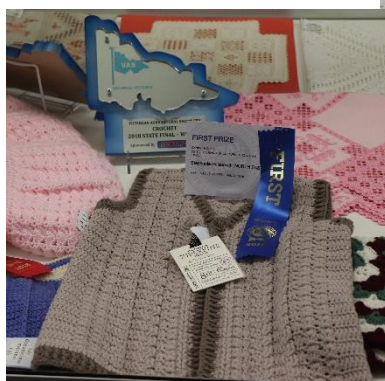
2018 VAS Ltd State Final Results – Royal Melbourne Show

2018 VAS Ltd Crochet State Final

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Winner: Stephanie Hulsbosch – North Eastern
Second: Margaret McNamara – South Western
Third: Kristy-Lyn Hall – Wimmera
Finalist: Fay Hiscock – Western District
Finalist: Jill Caldwell – Northern District
Finalist: Kylie Roach – Gippsland
Finalist: Lillias Hollingworth – Midlands
Finalist: Maree Logan – Goulburn Valley
Finalist: Marlene Bens – Central & Upper Goulburn



2018 VAS Ltd Beef Cattle State Final Results – Royal Melbourne Show

2018 VAS Ltd Beef Cattle Parader State Final

Winner: Claudia Spencer – representing Royal Geelong Show
Second: James Barton – representing Dandenong Show
Third: Darcy Kennedy – representing Cobram Show

2018 VAS Ltd Beef Cattle Judging State Final

Winner: Rylie Cherrey – representing Ballarat Show
Second: Emily Pendlebury – representing Berwick Show
Third: James Barton – representing Dandenong Show



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2018 ASA National Final Results – Adelaide



2018 ASA Beef Cattle Parader National Final

Winner: Mason Galpin – SA
Second: George Harborne – NSW
Third: Rachel Williams – WA
Finalist: Georgia Nelson - VIC

2018 ASA Beef Cattle Judging National Final

Winner: Harris Thompson – WA
Second: Joe Tones – QLD
Third: Demi Bird – TAS
Finalist: Harry Turnham - VIC

2018 ASA Dairy Cattle Parader National Final

Winner: Clinton Keir – QLD
Second: Liam Radford – TAS
Third: Stacey Leppert – VIC

2018 ASA Dairy Cattle Judging National Final

Winner: Jai Thomas – WA
Second: Liam Radford – TAS
Third: Patrick Anderson – VIC

2018 ASA Merino Sheep Judging National Final

Winner: Adam Bennett – VIC
Second: Klay Smith – SA
Third: Kaden Johnstone – WA

2018 ASA Meat Sheep Judging National Final

Winner: Lachlan Grossman – SA
Second: Tenneal Prebble – QLD
Third: Ash Purcell – VIC

2018 ASA Fleece Judging National Final

Winner: Stuart Richardson – WA
Second: Jedidiah Morrison – QLD
Third: Courtney Davies – NZ
Finalist: Ella McCarthy - VIC

2018 ASA Poultry Judging National Final

Winner: Aron Quinton – SA
Second: Courtney Davies – NZ
Third: Claire Blayney – NSW
Finalist: Michael Lloyd - VIC

2018 ASA Rural Ambassador National Final

Winner: Sophie Crooke Lay – VIC (*Pictured below*)
Runner Up: Luke Hall – WA



Above: Adam Bennett Victoria
1st National Wool Sheep Championships
Pictured with: Rob Wilson Chairman of
Agricultural Shows Australia

Above: Ash Purcell Victoria
3rd National Meat Sheep Championship

Left: Patrick Anderson Victoria
3rd National Dairy Judging
Championship

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2018 VAS Ltd Rural Ambassador State Final Results

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RB SELLARS



Winner: James Kirkpatrick – Midlands Group – Representing Beaufort Show Society
Runner Up: Hayden Williamson – Goulburn Valley Group – Representing Nathalia Show Society
Finalist: Diana George – Midlands Group – Representing Ballarat Show Society
Finalist: Emily Shields – Goulburn Valley Group – Representing Dookie Show Society
Finalist: Stuart Foy – Central & Upper Goulburn Group – Representing Whittlesea Show Society
Finalist: Indi Skehan – Central & South Gippsland Group – Representing Pakenham Show Society
Finalist: Holly Webb – Gippsland Group – Representing Maffra Show Society



VAS Next Generation Meet & Greet Night

Date: 15th December 2018

Time: 6.30pm

Where: Bendigo – All Seasons Hotel



Check out the new Facebook Page for all the latest updates. If you would like to be involved contact the page

Facebook page: @VASNextGeneration or
Victorian Agricultural Shows Next Generation

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VAS State Knitting Competition Update



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VAS State Knitting Criteria for 2019/20 Show Season

A hand knitted garment for a child, 3 - 5 years of age.

Due to shows having different criteria in their 2018 show schedules it was decided that all 2019 group finals and state final the criteria will be a hand knitted garment for a child up to 5 years of age. Any entries that do not fit the criteria will not be judged.



VAS State Carrot Cake Competition Update

VAS State Carrot Cake Competition Change of Tin Size

Please see below the recipe for the State Carrot Cake competition. All group secretaries will be notified that all qualifiers will need to use a 23cm round tin to allow for the mass of the recipe to be within the tin. At each group final and state final each competitor must use a 23cm round tin.



Ingredients

- 375 g Plain Flour
- 2 tsp Baking Powder
- 1 ½ tsp bicarb soda
- 2 tsp ground cinnamon
- ½ tsp ground nutmeg
- ½ tsp allspice
- 2 tsp salt
- 345 g castor sugar
- 375 ml vegetable oil
- 4 eggs
- 3 medium carrots, grated (350 grams)
- 220 g tin crushed pineapple, drained
- 180 g pecan nuts crushed

Steps

1. Preheat the oven to 180C (160C fan), Grease a 23cm (9 inch) round cake tin and line with baking paper.
2. Sift the dry ingredients together into a bowl. In a separate bowl, beat the eggs and oil, then add to the dry ingredients. Mix well then add the carrots, crushed pineapple and pecans. Mix to form a smooth batter and pour into the cake in.
3. Bake for approximately 90 - 100 minutes.
4. Remove from the oven and allow to cool for 10 minutes in the tin on a wire rack. Upend and allow to cool on the wire rack.

2019 VAS Convention

Camperdown

Save the Date!

Friday 28th, Saturday 29th & Sunday 30th June 2019
Hosted by the South Western Group



NEW STATE COMPETITIONS

Poultry & Alpaca Young Judges



Agricultural Shows Australia has introduced new National Competitions and Victoria will be running a State Final for Poultry Young Judges and Alpaca Young Judges. Shows are encouraged to run a Junior Judges competition if numbers warrant and the guidelines are available on the VAS website. VAS will be conducting a State Final in 2019 to determine a representative to the National Finals.



More details will be announced in the coming months regarding time of year and venue.

VAS Ltd State Fleece Competition

All Shows that run a Fleece competition will be eligible to submit a fleece in the competition at Group level. Winning fleece at Group level will represent the group at the State final to be held in conjunction with the State Conference (June/July) each year.



General Rules & Regulations

1. An exhibitor having won the overall Champion Fleece at a Show, will be eligible for the Group Final; the winner will then be required to submit a Fleece at the State Final
2. An exhibitor is only eligible to represent one Group in the State Final
3. Each Fleece entered must be a bona fide product of the exhibitor
4. If for any reason a winner is unable to compete at Group or State Final level, then the second-place getter is eligible to compete.
5. All fleeces to be returned to the owner at the completion of the competition.

SHOW LEVEL

- Overall winning Champion Fleece at the local Show is to be the representative from the local Show to the group final.
- Fleeces may not necessarily be the winning Fleece at the local show to be the entry at the Group or State final.
Note: (A different Fleece can be exhibited as it is recognised that fleeces can alter their brightness or shape after being handled or on display for some time.)
- Winning Champion Fleece entrant details to be submitted to the Group Secretary to be invited to represent the Society at the Group Final

GROUP LEVEL

- Winning Fleeces from the respective Group Shows will be judged by an appointed judge.
- Overall winning Fleece will represent the group at the State Final to be held at the State Conference each year.
- Group Secretary's to provide winners details to the VAS office at the time of lodging other competition winners.

STATE FINAL

- Final to be held at the VAS Ltd Conference and all group winners will be notified by the VAS Office.
- An appointed Judge selected by VAS & the Conference Committee will be appointed to judge the State Final.

More details available from the VAS Office and sponsorship is being negotiated for the State Final.