



Albion Park Show Society

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Dear Members

Welcome to the Albion Park Show Society Newsletter

After a difficult 18 months, which saw the cancellation of our Annual 2020 & 2021 Shows due to Bushfires and COVID-19, the Show Society ran the 2021 All Breeds Dairy Show. We had 8 Exhibitors showing 37 head of cattle, representing 4 breeds.

The Junior Paraders saw 12 Juniors compete in 3 highly competitive classes with Champion Junior Parader going to Luke Whatman.



Congratulations to our Winners

Champion Youth Exhibitor named the Thomas McParland Memorial was awarded to Aleisha Tomkins with her Guernsey heifer.

The Juvenile Female Section, with the Geoff Downes Memorial Ribbon being awarded, went to Jade Whatman.

The Intermediate Female Section, with the Geoff Mayo Memorial Ribbon being awarded, went to Strongbark Holsteins.

The Stan Cole Memorial Ribbon for Champion Illawarra Female was awarded to the Natalie Shierlaw. Natalie also took Reserve Champion.

The J W & D E Swan Memorial Sash for Pen of 3 Females went to Natalie Shierlaw.

There were 5 entries in the Progeny Class which was totally a Guernsey line up. Brian & Murry Russell took first prize and it was great to see them come up from Bega to participate in the show.

Strongbark Holsteins won both the Brian Downes Memorial Trophy for the Best Uddered Cow and the Stan Thomas Memorial Trophy for Senior Champion Female with their Holstein Calderwood Golden Dream Marg. The Inaugural Colin Swan Memorial for Most Successful exhibitor went to Strongbark Holsteins.





Sydney Royal Easter Rural Achiever Competition

Albion Park Committee Member Ryan McParland of Jamberoo was selected to compete in the Rural Achievers Challenge at the Sydney Royal Easter Show.

The RAS Rural Achiever Award is a state-wide leadership program run by the Royal Agricultural Society of NSW to recognise future young leaders who are working hard to make a significant contribution to their community and to rural Australia. The award promotes advocacy in rural-minded youth and provides a platform for growth.

To achieve this nomination Ryan was nominated by the Committee of Albion Park Show Society, had to submit a resume and was interviewed by a panel of Royal Agricultural Society Executives.

Ryan was one of 8 contestants to receive the honour of completing from all over the State. He spent a week at the Sydney Royal Easter Show Stewarding in different sections, attended Government House for afternoon tea, and addressed the crowd at the Show.

Having a passion for local Agricultural Shows, Ryan has played a founding role in his local Show Society's Youth in Agriculture Group and is working to build a Community Group for the South Coast & Tablelands regions, all while he was studying for his Bachelor of Engineering.

Ryan has been a Committeeman of the Albion Park Show Society since 2010 at the age of 16, becoming the youngest person ever elected. He is the current Dairy Cattle Chief Steward, runs the Young Farmers Challenge and exhibits in both the Poultry and Pavilion Sections.



Young Farmer Challenge: Albion Park through to National Final

Alpaca leading, egg tossing, eating a cheese toastie and putting out a fire were all part of this year's Young Farmer Challenge State Final at Sydney Royal Show.

Our Albion Park team, consisting of Zac Ruddock, Madelyn Hayes, Kara Edwards and Riley Tisma won the event with a time of 12 minutes and 26 seconds. They will now represent NSW at the National Finals.

Congratulations. What a great achievement for Albion Park Show Society





Also at Sydney Show, Albion Park Show Society Committee Members and Volunteers spent the day manning the RAS Big Bush Barbeque, raising much needed funds for the Society. Thank you to all those who helped out on the day.

Read how the Big Bush BBQ came about:

It was lunchtime at the 2017 Illabo Show, the sun was shining, the gates were open, and two RAS volunteers were starving so they treated themselves to a sausage sandwich.

After the Illabo Show, they suggested to the Sydney Royal Easter Show General Manager Murray Wilton that they should have a BBQ at the Show. The timing couldn't have been better – in 2017 the RAS had decided that upping regional engagement was a top priority, making it one of the organisation's milestones. The idea sat with Murray for a few days, until he announced there would be a BBQ, on the proviso it was staffed with volunteers from NSW Show Societies with all funds raised going straight back home with them.

The dream of a Show sausage sizzle was now a reality and at the 2018 Sydney Royal Easter Show 17 regional communities, 9000 sausages, and 500 kilos of onion made the first Big Bush BBQ a winner!

The Albion Park AH&I Association Inc will be holding its Annual General Meeting on Saturday 15 May 2021 at Jamberoo Bowling Club. Buy your own dinner is to commence at 6.00pm with the AGM to commence at approximately 6.45pm. All current financial members are welcome to attend.



**IT'S TIME TO RENEW
YOUR MEMBERSHIP!**

Membership Renewals are payable by 30 June 2021. Memberships paid by this date will cover the 2022 Show.

If you paid your membership in 2021 your memberships will be rolled over to our 2022 Show. Attached is our Membership Renewal Form.

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Invites any young ladies in Year 10 or above to be part of the Debutante Ball. Date of the ball is yet to be set.



A meeting will be held on Sunday 2nd of May at 7pm in the HACC Centre, Albion Park Showground for anyone who may be interested. This meeting will allow you to ask any questions you may have about the ball.

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