



COUNTRY SHOWS
AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES COUNCIL
OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA



Upcoming Show Dates

October 2010

2	Bordertown Lipson Mt Remarkable (Melrose) Yankalilla, Rapid Bay & Mypo
3-4	Kingston Loxton
4	Jamestown Strathalbyn Yallunda Flat
6	Pinnaroo Southern Yorke Pen. (Minlaton)
9	Burra Cummins Keith & Tintinara Mil-Lel
9-10	Southern Ag (Port Elliot)
16	Clare Coonalpyn & District
16-17	Naracoorte
22-24	Mt Gambier 150 years
29-30	Penola
29-31	Kapunda & Light
30	Kangaroo Island
30	Renmark & District 100 years
31	Callington

NEWSLETTER

September 2010

brief news from the Secretariat

• CHOOSING YOUR HORSE EVENT DATE

When altering your show date, particularly when horse events are included, your first priority should be to check your new date with the ASC of SA either by phoning Malcolm on (08) 8210 5230 or visiting the SA Country Shows website.

You should not seek advice on dates from Equestrian Australia before speaking to the ASC of SA.

• 2009/2010 PIRSA GRANT APPLICATION – NOW OVERDUE

All Shows are reminded that the 2009/2010 PIRSA Grant Application Form is now well overdue. Please forward this form containing information on your gate takings and membership for your 2009/2010 Show to the Secretariat as soon as possible. We cannot send out your grant money until we have received this information for every Show.

• ROYAL ADELAIDE SHOW – THANK YOU

I take this opportunity to sincerely thank all organizers, judges, volunteers and supporters of the events run by the ASC of SA Inc during the 2010 Royal Adelaide Show. Throughout the Royal Adelaide Show the ASC of SA is responsible for coordinating and assisting with the Rich Fruit Cake and Genoa Cake State Finals, Australia Post Aussie Letterbox Competition, Laucke / CWA Scone Competition State Final, Young Judges Championship and Yellow Brick Road. For this reason we require volunteer assistance to ensure the smooth running of these competitions and events. In particular, thank you to Bob and Margaret Rankin, Margaret Hurst, Barry Mangelsdorf, Keith Colyer, Janet King and Grant Waterman for coordinating their appropriate sections – a job well done.

A full report and list of results from the Royal Adelaide Show can be found further on in this newsletter.

• CHANGE & DATE OF LOCATION – YALLUNDA FLAT HORSE EVENTS

Due to unforeseen weather conditions which have affected the Yallunda Flat Showground, the **Yallunda Flat Show HORSE SECTION will now be held at the LIPSON SHOWGROUNDS on 2nd October**. A small entry fee will be charged, and food will be available on the day at Lipson.

NOTE: Only the horse section will be held at Lipson. The Yallunda Flat Show will still hold ALL other events including the IGA Strange and Unusual Vegie Competition, Bendigo Bank Cummins Scarecrow Competition and Beers Show Spectacular on it's original show day – 4th October – at the Yallunda Flat Showgrounds. For further information contact the Secretary on 08 8688 4252.

• 2010 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Please mark the 2010 AGM Meeting Date & Time in your diaries (agenda to follow):

Friday, 19th November 2010 commencing at 10.30am
Heavy Horse Memorial Clubrooms, Adelaide Showground Wayville

in the spotlight....

KAPUNDA & LIGHT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

Kapunda & Light honours its long serving volunteers through nomination for the Inaugural Achievers Award

Life Member: Mr George Hazel 1898 - 1985



Mr Hazel was a valued member of the Kapunda & Light Agricultural Society and from earliest records we can establish he contributed from 1910 to 1983.

George exhibited in many sections including Agricultural Produce, Bureau Exhibits, Sheep Dogs, Wool etc. Mrs Jean Hazel was also a supporter of the show exhibiting in Cookery, Needlework, Cut Flowers and Pot Plants. Not only supporting the show as an Exhibitor, he was also a valued Steward of many sections, a hard working and loyal Committee Person and also held positions as Vice and President of the Society. He managed amongst his other duties judging sections for not only Kapunda but other Societies. He was a Vice Patron of the Kapunda Show Society for quite some years. Mr Hazel was also a delegate for the Northern Shows Association for around 20 years (this date was taken from his actual diaries he kept). He was recognized by the Kapunda Show Society (date unknown) receiving Life Membership which was well deserved. A standout activity for Mr Hazel, was that between 1941 and 1970 the week prior to each show you would see him spending every waking minutes at the Showgrounds – cleaning, setting up, repairing, making hurdles, trestles, painting, building and any other chore that needed to be completed. This information was collected direct from Mr Hazel's diaries by his son Clyde.

Clyde Hazel and Rhonda Laubsch were presented with the prestigious award at a Dinner in March 2010 (pictured right).

From minute books of the Society, Mr Hazel was always fighting for the Show Society in all aspects, there was not many meetings that he did not attend during his service. As you can see, this award was well deserved.

Nothing has changed in the Hazel Family, and **this year they have been supporting, donating, convening and completing many other show duties for 100 years.**

At our Annual General Meeting it was decided unanimously, that next year's nominee will be another member who has also served the Kapunda & Light Agricultural Society with as much enthusiasm as Mr Hazel. Our nominee for 2011 is Roly Hughes who was a dedicated worker with the Society and also held position as Secretary for a number of years. Mrs Shirley Hughes is still an avid supporter of the Show. This year is the 50th Anniversary of her donation of a Memorial Trophy for her mother in our Cookery and Preserves Section.



Kapunda Showjumping Events for 2010

Kapunda Show has been gearing up for their Showjumping Events for some months now, and this event took place on Saturday and Sunday 18-19 September at the Kapunda Trotting Track. This is normally held in conjunction with the Kapunda Show, (which will be held on the 30th October), but because of the size of the event, and also better conditions for jumping it was decided by the Committee to hold it earlier this year.

There are many distinguished events including the BE ACTIVE EA Young Rider Selection Classes and also the A & B Grade Competition. We also held the BE ACTIVE Novice Competition. This event was well supported by Corporate Sponsors: Dulux Paints, Barossa Mitre 10 Solutions, Stratco Outback.

To other Sponsors of our Showjumping Event the Society extend their thanks. We cannot forget the volunteers who volunteered their time to assist the Society on the weekend and thanks are extended to them also. The Kapunda Show Society introduced new showjumps this year, as they needed to be upgraded to come into line with Safety Requirements.

Our next event will be our Annual Horse Breed Show to be held at the Kapunda Trotting Track on Sunday 10th October, followed by the 2010 153rd Annual Kapunda Show on the 30 October. For more detailed information regarding our Sponsors and forthcoming Shows please visit www.kapundashow.org.au, or access the Kapunda Show page on the SA Country Shows website www.sacountryshows.com.

Report provided by Jacqui Bridge, Secretary, Kapunda Show

around our shows...

RENMARK & DISTRICT SHOW SOCIETY

Congratulations to the Renmark & District Show Society who will celebrate its **100th SHOW** on 30th October 2010.

To mark the 100th celebration, the Show Society is hoping to have 100 utes come along on the day. The Show Society is also selling the "Renmark Show Chronicles History 1898 – 2010" book for \$25.00.

With a variety of attractions and competitions including the V8 simulator, wrestling, Police Jazz Band, and the Cirque Mistique ½ hour choreographed fire show, the 100th Renmark Show is one not to be missed!

For more information visit the Renmark Show page on the SA Country Shows website, or Lynne Shorrock (Secretary) on 08 8595 5494.



Congratulations also to **MOUNT GAMBIER SHOW** celebrating its **150th Show** on **22-24 October**

CUMMINS

Cummins A&H Society will celebrate its **100th SHOW** in 2011 on the 8th October... In preparation for the event, they are calling for anyone with memorable Cummins Show moments to contact Wendy Treloar on 8676 2222 or Daphne Mickan on 8676 4242 and write a couple lines relaying your favourite memory or funniest event.

PENOLA

Penola Show hosts World Sheaf Tossing Championship

Penola Show will host the 2010 World Sheaf Tossing Championship event on Saturday 30th October with big prize money on offer. Sheaf tossers from all over the world are expected to be in attendance for the Championship, with competitors from Ireland already confirming their visit to Australia for the event. Good luck Penola!

INTERESTING COMPETITIONS

A few interesting competitions have come up through our shows in 2010. Here's a few you may like to try your hand at:

Australian Authentic Dunny Competition – Mount Gambier Show

Lawn Mower Tractor Pull – Keith & Tintinara Show

Paper Mache Fruit or Vegetable – Clare Show



2010 symposium report



The 2010 Country Shows Symposium was held on Friday, 9th July at the Adelaide Showground.

Roger Saunders, Mount Gambier Show, and Francis Andrews, Mundulla Show, presented attendees with an insight into the organisation and success of their Shows, including current operations and future aspirations, relationships with sponsors, aspects of income generating and improving ground infrastructure and maintenance, how they get the community involved, and the logistics of working as a management team.

This concept was new to the 2010 Symposium program with favourable feedback received and suggestions to invite two other shows to speak at the 2011 Symposium.

Amanda Lock reported on her trip to the 24th Commonwealth Agriculture Conference in Edinburgh, Scotland. Whilst in Scotland she also had the opportunity to visit the Royal Highland Agricultural Show, which proved quite a different event to our agricultural shows featuring no sideshows or even fairy floss – this Show was purely for promoting agriculture and agricultural equipment, more like a Field Day in Australia.

Leigh Aitken, Inspired Business Consulting, further expanded on his Succession Planning discussion from the 2009 Symposium, and provided some worthy concepts for attracting and retaining the younger generation in our Country Shows. Clare Tizzard touched on the current Community Arts Development Festivals funding available to support small scale regional and metropolitan festivals to develop and enhance their arts concept.

The day ended with an information sharing session where attendees were able to raise and discuss ideas, share what has work and not worked for them, and ask questions to assist them in the preparation and planning of their upcoming Show.

royal adelaide show results & wrap up

View Royal Adelaide Show results & reports online – www.sacountryshows.com

AUSTRALIA POST AUSSIE LETTER BOX COMPETITION



Winner – Roger Farley

In its third year of competition, the Aussie Letter Box Competition sponsored by Australia Post had its most successful year yet with 9 entries competing in the State Final at the Royal Adelaide Show. **Josh Zigajev**, Australia Post State Communications Manager, judged the competition and awarded the winning prize to **Roger Farley** from the Southern Association with his tractor made from recycled machinery parts. Roger received a \$250 gift voucher and gift hamper sponsored by Australia Post.

Runner Up was awarded to **Reg Lutze** representing the Yorke Peninsula Association. Reg also received a \$200 gift voucher and gift hamper sponsored by Australia Post for his efforts.

Josh had such a tough decision choosing the top placegetters that he awarded two extra prizes to **Peter Adams** and **Jack Flower** both representing Northern Areas. The two equal third placegetters received a \$100 gift voucher sponsored by Australia Post.

The ASC of SA Inc congratulates all State Finalists in the 2010 competition, and thanks Australia Post for their continued support of the SA Country Shows Aussie Letter Box Competition.

2010 Australia Post Letter Box Competition State Final results:

First – Roger Farley representing Southern

Second – Reg Lutze representing Yorke Peninsula

Third – Peter Adams representing Northern and Jack Flower representing Northern



Second – Reg Lutze



LAUCKE / CWA SCONE COMPETITION STATE FINAL

The 2010 Laucke / CWA Scone Competition State Final, held on Thursday 2nd September at the Adelaide Showground, was judged by competition convenor **Margaret Hurst** with the help of Laucke Flour National Sales Manager **Darren Curnow**.

The top ten scone cooks for 2010 were competing to be crowned the best **sweet scone variation** for the 2009/2010 SA Country Shows season. It was pleasing to note that two male competitors were also amongst the ten state finalists.

Top honours were awarded to Nanette Simpson, representing Northern Areas, who received \$200 in prize money sponsored by Laucke Flour.

Male competitor Mark Grossman, representing Central Districts, was awarded second place for his sweet scones, with 13-year-old Callie Wilson from Southern receiving third place. Both Mark and Callie also received prize money sponsored by Laucke Flour.



Congratulations to all those who competed in the 2010 state final.

The ASC of SA Inc thanks Laucke Flour for their generous sponsorship of the Laucke / CWA Scone Competition, and encourages all cookery enthusiasts to continue supporting the competition at local, association and state level.

2010 Laucke / CWA Scone Competition State Final results (pictured left):

First – Nanette Simpson representing Northern Areas

Second – Mark Grossman representing Central Districts

Third – Callie Wilson representing Southern



Margaret Hurst and Darren Curnow judge the entries in the scone state final.



Do you have any interesting show news that you would like published?
Forward your reports, photos or information to the Secretariat – fax (08) 8231 4173, or
email nward@adelaideshowground.com.au

RICH FRUIT CAKE CHAMPIONSHIP & GENOA CAKE COMPETITION

The judging of the 2010 Rich Fruit Cake Championship and Genoa Cake Competition State Final was held in the Goyder Mezzanine, Adelaide Showground on Thursday 2nd September in conjunction with the Laucke / CWA Scone Competition State Final.

Judge of the both the Rich Fruit Cake Championship and Genoa Cake Competition State Final for 2010 was long time competitor, Mrs Joyce Fendler.

10 finalists representing their show associations took part in the Rich Fruit Cake Championship, with 9 competitors in the Genoa Cake Competition. This year's event saw the introduction of an MC, Jane Dewing, who commented and explained the judging process, and facilitated a question and answer session for spectators.



Rich Fruit Cake Championship

The Champion Rich Fruit Cake exhibit was awarded to **Brigitte Taylor**, representing the Murray Lands Association. The win meant Brigitte has won the grand prize two years in a row. She received prize money of \$250 sponsored by Sunbeam Foods.

Second place went to **Gloria Buck** (South East & Border), third place **Gwen Beare** (Yorke Peninsula) and a highly commended prize was awarded to **Anne Innes** (Southern).

The **Most Entries Award**, for the most entries in the Rich Fruit Cake Semi Finals at Association level was awarded to Southern Agricultural Society Inc (Port Elliot Show) convenor **Sue Thomas** with a total of 9 entries.

Genoa Cake Competition

Well known Genoa Cake competitor **Gloria Buck** (South East & Border) took out the first prize for the Genoa Cake Competition State Final, receiving \$200 in prize money sponsored by Sunbeam Foods.

Other placegetters were second – **Wendy McDonald** (Eyre Peninsula) and third – **Kirsty Pfeiffer** (Southern).

The Most Entries Award was received by Tanunda AH&F Society Inc convenor **Lynette Brew** with a total of 12 entries.

Each finalist received a bottle of Sherry or Brandy from sponsors Angove Wines. Congratulations to all finalists, and many thanks to long-time sponsors of the Competition Sunbeam and Angoves.



Pictured above (from left): Rich Fruit Cake Champion Brigitte Taylor, second Gloria Buck and third prize winner Gwen Beare.

*2010 Rich Fruit Cake Championship State Final results:
Champion – Brigitte Taylor representing Murray Lands
Second – Gloria Buck representing South East & Border
Third – Gwen Beare representing Yorke Peninsula
Highly Commended – Anne Innes representing Southern
Most Entries – Sue Thomas, Southern Agricultural Society Inc, 9 Entries*

*2010 Genoa Cake Competition State Final results:
First – Gloria Buck representing South East & Border
Second – Wendy McDonald representing Eyre Peninsula
Third – Kirsty Pfeiffer representing Southern
Most Entries – Lynette Brew, Tanunda AH&F Society Inc, 12 Entries*

YELLOW BRICK ROAD – COUNTRY SHOWS STAND

The Ag Societies Council was on display at the 2010 Royal Adelaide Show and again featured a stop on the Yellow Brick Road. As in previous years the ASC of SA gave away a small jar of Beerenberg jam and an SA Country Show Dates Calendar for 2010/2011 to each Yellow Brick Road show-goer. The Yellow Brick Road is a great promotional tool for all SA Country Shows enabling dates to be passed onto approximately 20,000 members of the public. A huge thank you to the many volunteers who assisted the ASC of SA Executive over the nine days, including the 2010 Rural Ambassador state finalists.

A number of boxes of Beerenberg jam left over from the Royal Adelaide Show can now be purchased for use at your Show at \$50.00 per box (GST inclusive). A variety of flavours are available. Contact Malcolm on (08) 8210 5230 if you wish to purchase any.



Above: The SA Country Shows stand at the 2010 Royal Adelaide Show

STATE YOUNG JUDGES COMPETITION

The ASC of SA Inc is a major sponsor of the Young Judges Competition at the Royal Adelaide Show and is responsible for coordinating the various sections over the nine days. The 2010 Young Judges Competitions at the Show saw record-breaking competitor numbers over all sections which was particularly pleasing.

The Young Judges Competition initiative is essential in preparing and training the next generation as knowledgeable judges for Country Shows and National Shows. The competition is open to any interested youth, and any winner from a competition held at an SA Country Show final is given preference of entry at the State Final held annual at Royal Adelaide Show.

Winners from our state finals go on to represent South Australia and our SA Country Shows in the National finals held at a different Royal Show each year. Adelaide is set to host the 2011 Nationals.

Congratulations to all the place getters and participants in the 2010 Young Judges Competition, and we wish all winners the best of luck with their preparations for the 2011 Nationals.

2010 NATIONAL YOUNG JUDGES TRAINING DAY & CHAMPIONSHIPS

On Wednesday, 1st September, the 2010 National Young Judges and Rural Ambassador finalists were given the opportunity to take part in a Training Day held in Adelaide – a new initiative of the National Council of Agricultural Societies. The day provided finalists with the chance to learn about communication and leadership strategies, meet fellow national finalists across the states, and gain an insight into the National final expectations for their individual competitions. A dinner was held in the evening at the Grand Chifley, Adelaide, with guest speakers Sam and Jenny Bailey providing an insight into Sam's life as a quadriplegic, and offering some inspirational advice to the Young Judges and Rural Ambassadors and their families in attendance.



Pictured left at the National Young Judges & Rural Ambassador Training Day Dinner at the Grand Chifley are:

Back (l-r): Grant Waterman, President ASC of SA; Bruce McConnel, QLD; Shannon McCormack, NSW National Rural Ambassador Finalist; and Malcolm Buckby, Secretary ASC of SA.

Front (l-r): Carla Tierney, 2010 National Rural Ambassador Winner from QLD; Sam Bailey; and Casey Treloar, SA's National Dairy Paraders Finalist.

Eight South Australian national finalists competed in the National Young Judges Championship held at the Royal Melbourne Show over the past few weeks. A new uniform courtesy of the generous sponsorship received from CRT

Wilmington and Trims enabled our finalists to look the part, while Landmark provided monetary assistance to cover the cost of the airfares and accommodation for their time in Melbourne.

The 2010 South Australian National finalists included:

Daniel Lutz – Meat Sheep; Jessica Rose – Merino Fleece; James Fox – Merino Ram; David Whittenbury – Beef Cattle; Jake Phillips – Beef Cattle Paraders; Damien Doecke – Dairy Cattle; Casey Treloar – Dairy Cattle Paraders; and Amanda Lock – Rural Ambassador.

Congratulations to Casey Treloar who won the National Dairy Cattle Paraders Championship, and to all the other finalists for their time and commitment in competing at the Nationals in Melbourne.

ACAS COCA-COLA SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED AT ROYAL ADELAIDE SHOW

The Australian Council of Agricultural Societies (ACAS) and Coca-Cola Amatil have been supporting Australian students studying in agriculture related fields for the past 5 years. Since 2005, the Australian Agriculture Scholarship program has assisted almost 200 talented young people, from all over Australia, to develop careers in agriculture. Each year up to 35 young people are awarded scholarships to the value of \$2,000 to pursue further education in an agriculture related field at University or TAFE. For more details about the scholarship visit

www.acas.asn.au.

The winners of the 2010 Australian Agriculture Scholarship in South Australia were announced at the Royal Adelaide Show. Congratulations to:

Aisha Hargraves	<i>Gawler Show Society</i>
Cherie Johnson	<i>Keith & Tintinara Show Society</i>
Cindy Martin	<i>Gawler Show Society</i>
Scott Edwards	<i>Southern Agricultural Society</i>

2010 rural ambassador award

2010 Rural Ambassador to promote show youth

South Australia's 2010 Rural Ambassador Amanda Kroehn aims to get stronger support for local shows from the younger generation, community groups and businesses to promote shows and ensure they continue to grow successfully.

Amanda was named South Australian Rural Ambassador at the Royal Adelaide Show yesterday.

As one of eight state finalists from throughout rural SA, Amanda represented the South East and Border region and was nominated by her local Keith show.

A sales agronomist with Agri Services, Amanda also works on her family's farm at Keith and enjoys competing in dressage competitions. She is minute secretary and convenor of the Prime Lamb Competition of the Keith Show.

"I feel very overwhelmed and privileged to have been presented with this award," said Amanda.

"The exposure to the Royal Adelaide Show (this week as a finalist) has been an eye opening experience which I will never forget, and it has given me an appreciation for all the hard work that goes into not only the Royal Show but country shows as well."

The two runner-up places went to Northern region representative Jess Ruciack from the Kapunda and Light Show and Murray Lands region representative Taryn Mangelsdorf from the Loxton Show.

Other state finalists were Aisha Hargraves (Northern), Tim Moyle (Eyre Peninsula), Camilla Hargraves (Southern), Tanya Edwards (Central) and Carly Boon (South East and Border).

Amanda's prize includes a \$5000 scholarship from the Royal Agricultural and Horticultural Society of SA Education Foundation. The two runners-up each received a \$1000. All three will travel to New Zealand next year on a two week study tour as their major prize.

The Rural Ambassador Award is open to people aged 20 to 30 who are committed to their local show and community, and highlights the importance of youth in the agricultural show movement. Entrants are selected by their local show before competing in regional finals and a representative from each region contests the State Final at the Royal Adelaide Show.

The program provides young people with a network of enthusiastic and proactive leaders in their communities.

State Rural Ambassador coordinator Peter Angus says all finalists had exceptional qualities and were of a high calibre.

But ultimately Amanda stood out with her strong enthusiasm and awareness of the rural industry, with definite plans and ambitions for the future.

Peter said Amanda has been involved with country shows since a young age exhibiting beef cattle and Holstein Friesians dairy cattle and since moving to Keith with her husband has become involved with the local show and community.

"Amanda is a vibrant and hard working young person and leading by example she will inspire others to increase their local show involvement," he said.

The Ambassador Award is conducted by the Agricultural Societies Council of SA with the valued support of sponsors Primary Industries and Resources SA, the Royal Agricultural and Horticultural Society of SA Education Foundation, Stock Journal Publishers, RM Williams, National Australia Bank, the Showmen's Guild of SA and Jardine Lloyd Thompson.

Media contacts: Amanda Kroehn (RA Winner) - 0427 005 677; Jess Ruciack (RA Runner Up) – 0439 340 381; Taryn Mangelsdorf (RA Runner Up) – 0400 178 466



2010 Rural Ambassador state finalists (from left): Carly Boon (South East and Border); Aisha Hargraves (Northern); Tim Moyle (Eyre Peninsula); Taryn Mangelsdorf (Runner Up - Murray Lands); Camilla Hardy (Southern); Jess Ruciack (Runner Up – Northern); Tanya Edwards (Central); and Amanda Kroehn (Winner – South East and Border).

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