

# Boonah Show Society Newsletter

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### MEETINGS

Sports Pavilion Steering Committee Meeting. Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2011 at Boonah meeting room 7.30p.m.

Management Committee Meeting Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2011 7.30p.m.

Show Meeting. Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2011 7.30p.m.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Think Tank at Yatala hosted by Showmen's Guild 11<sup>th</sup> January 2011

Stewards Workshop. Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2011

### Stewards Workshop

On February 12<sup>th</sup>, Boonah Show Society will host the QCAS Stewards' Workshops. A variety of sessions should provide information for new stewards and members of the show society, while experienced stewards may pick up some new ideas or share their own experience gained the hard way over many years of doing the job. We hope to see as many as possible of you here on the day. Ring Beth on 54631124 if you are able to attend. See attached Flyer.

Catering Convenor Lorelle Schonknecht will be providing lunch and morning and afternoon teas & a BBQ Tea. She needs helpers as well. If you have some time to spare, please let Lorelle know. Her number is 54638221. Even an hour or two will make a difference.

### Assistant Secretary

Mrs Gayle Van Der Veen starts work in January as assistant show secretary. You will be able to meet Gayle in the office on Tuesdays. Gayle brings a wealth of relevant experience to the position. Welcome to the team, Gayle.

### Information Evening December 1

A very successful information evening was held in the meeting room on December 1<sup>st</sup> with some new members and some prospective members of the show society attending. An orientation tour of the grounds

### **Equestrian Centre Update**

There was a good roll-up to the meeting about the equestrian centre, held on November 24th, particularly from the Pony Club and other user groups of the Rodeo Arena. Roxanne Sly coordinated a meeting on 28<sup>th</sup> November to measure the area. It is now up to the group to form a committee comprising two representatives of all user groups, including the Show Society. The Show Society is to provide venue, insurance, and access to funding, but fund-raising will be the responsibility of the new group once it is formed.

### **Community Sports Pavilion Steering Committee**

The next meeting of this committee will be held on January 18<sup>th</sup> at 7.30p.m at the meeting room at the showgrounds. With the feasibility study completed, this group now needs to start to raise funds to develop the plans further. New members with lots of enthusiasm would be very welcome. Ring Beth for more information.

### **Visit by Scott Buckholz**

**Scott Buchholz, Member for Wright**, visited the show grounds recently to meet with Beth and have a look around.

Beth reported that Scott was very impressed with the Show Society's professionalism and grounds. Scott emphasised that the funds promised at election time (250 thousand dollars) were to be used for general infrastructure and maintenance only and would become available as soon as we had a change of Government.

### **Plans for Three Day Show**

Plans for the three day show are proceeding smoothly. Sponsors have been contacted and are supporting us well. The routine entertainment has been booked.

Peter Wehl will be Chief Steward for Dairy Cattle, following Wilson Neundorff's retirement.

The Sunday program is shaping up well. Beth has received the program for the National Chainsaw Championships which will be held on Saturday & Sunday. Bob Dover and Tony Richardson are talking to their suppliers about sponsorship. Both are keen to see it happen.

Julie Parker will co-ordinate the Market Stall Holders for the Sunday.

### **Show Schedule Printing**

After extensive negotiation with the Guardian, the Management Committee has decided that we will print the schedule ourselves this year. This will mean dividing it into four sections – horses, cattle, dogs and pavilion entries and including the first forty pages of the current schedule with each section. This will be a huge cost saving and will also mean we will have our schedule earlier. However, it will mean extra work in the office, particularly with stapling. Beth will be looking for volunteers to assist with this so if you are able to help, please contact Beth. The schedule should be ready by mid-February at the latest.

### **QCAS Rules Update**

QCAS has released new rules. Horse stewards and cattle stewards will get a copy of the new rules. The general rules will be replaced in the folder and schedule.

### **Grounds Report**

The new stove obtained from the Outlook has been installed in the dining hall. Lorelle has given the kitchen and dining room a thorough clean before closing up until the next function in February.

Water leaks on the grounds have been repaired at the stables and the toilet block. Leaks are a constant nuisance and need to be repaired swiftly to contain our rapidly increasing water bills.

To save on postage, we would like to use email to communicate with our members wherever possible. If you have access to email, could you please contact us on 54631124 with your email address?