

Boonah Show Society Newsletter

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Get Well Wishes.

Our thoughts and best wishes go to Lloyd Brasington & Kaye Stegeman, who are both recovering from major surgery. Get well soon!

Also, get well wishes to Don Hincks, who has had a stint in hospital.

MEETINGS

AGM, followed by Show Committee Meeting - Tuesday 18th October at 7.30 p.m.

Management Committee Meeting - 25th September

UPCOMING EVENTS

Dinner Dance Roadvale 8th October organised by Show Ball Committee

Carrots & Cows B. & S Ball 24th March 2012 organised by the Triple S Club

National Motorhome Rally – 14th 21 October 2012

AGM RESCHEDULED **URGENT NOTICE**

Unfortunately, the AGM scheduled for the 27th September could not be held owing to insufficient numbers. This was very unfortunate. A quorum for an AGM or Special General Meeting is 30% of members, which would be 30, and only 18 members were present.

The meeting has now been scheduled for Tuesday 18th October at 7.30 p.m., and will be followed by a Show Committee Meeting. (This Show meeting was scheduled for 8th November) Can Members please make a special effort to attend this meeting. Nominations for all positions are closed and all positions have been filled.

RITCHIES IGA COMMUNITY BENEFIT CARD.

Please find the enclosed Ritchies IGA Community Benefit Card for your use. In order to benefit from the IGA Community Benefit program, we need to have as many members as possible supporting us. The enclosed card has been coded for the benefit of the Boonah Show Society, you do not have to do anything further to register it, just use it every time you purchase goods from any Ritchies IGA Store. If you are already done this, and do not require this card, you can pass it on to a friend or family member to use, or return it to the Secretary. Thank you for your support.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP.

Congratulations to Don Hincks, who has been presented Life Membership in recognition of his many years as a Management Committee Member and the huge contribution he has made to the Show Society

SHOW MEETING REPORT

This meeting was held on 13th September, and once again, attendance was rather small, with only 14 members attending. However, we still had a very constructive workshop to help plan the 2012 Show. The following topics were given to the groups for discussion.

1. ENTERTAINMENT 2. WHAT'S GOOD/ WHAT'S BAD 3. SPECIAL FEATURES

The following notes were made.

Entertainment/General Features

- Yellow Brick Road to be given a facelift
- Wipe Talent Quest
- Look at Harness Racing – perhaps demo
- Blacks a Fake Demonstration
- Farmer Displays, e.g. Yankee plough, slides, Clydesdales, displays of cream cans, Blacksmithing etc.
- Cow and goat milking demonstrations
- Heavy Horse Feature show
- Look at another circus
- Put Endangered Species beside Animal Nursery
- Run our own animal Nursery- Mark Eather would organise
- Iron Man competition
- Have a special for Mothers for Sunday – Mothers Day. Free admission or voucher for Devonshire Tea
- Keep Jet Truck, HiLux Heroes & People Mover train.

Good

- Having Schedule booklets early
- Pre Sold Tickets
- Sunday Stallholders
- Friday Night Junior show Program
- Good variety of food stalls all round the grounds
- Calf Scruffing Event, Jet Truck & Hi Lux Heroes
- Certificates of appreciation for Stewards
- Good feedback after show

Bad

- Timing of events, e.g. Pam Bell challenge was put on early
- Confusion re 1 day or 2 day passes at gates
- Parking/Traffic Problems. Needs more organisation & signage as to where people have to go
- Intoxicated Calf Scruffing competitor/ should not be allowed to happen.

Other General Business discussed

Show Date 11, 12-13th May. (2nd weekend- Mother's Day)

Theme – Year of the Farmer –“Every Family needs a Farmer”

Groovy Gumboot Competition - Year of the Farmer. – Every Family needs a Farmer.

Web Page. Members reminded to check it out

Trophies / Gift cards/ Vouchers. Sue Oates has advised that she does not have the time to allocate to this job any more. There are a lot of small \$ value trophies on hand for next year, and she is able to allocate them. General discussion resulted with the opinion that while Sue has done a fantastic job over the past 3/4 years, and spoilt everyone, and it has been greatly appreciated, each Section needs to be advised that we will be going back to our old system of each Chief Steward being responsible for organising their own Section Trophies. Each Chief Steward will need to liaise with the Secretary. We would still like Sue to do the Judges' gifts if she can fit that in.

Chainsaw Races. If not, what to have in Rodeo Arena? National Championships went completely over budget, costing \$8,000-00 to run. We need to clarify if we have anyone prepared to run the chainsaw races for next year, check out with the Axeman's Assn if our new show date could put us on the calendar for wood chopping, and would they be prepared to run a competition here.

Advertising. Had a look at the Survey Results, disappointing on the lack of response from advertising in Quest Newspapers. Need to concentrate on local advertising. Check out Guardian & Beaudesert Times re the Show Feature Lift out magazine in their papers as Beaudesert Show Society had.

Section Breakdown. Profit & Loss Accounts. Copies will be provided for individual Chief Stewards. To be referred to Management Committee to scrutinise. David also raised the subject of free admission for Sunday to be included in this discussion.

Add Egg Classes into Fruit & Vegetable Section

Secretary will draw up a draft program, taking note of all the suggestions from the meeting, and present it for discussion at the next meeting on 8th November. (Note change of date to 18th October)

MOTORHOME RALLY.

After years of lobbying the CMCA to have this National event in Boonah, we are pleased to announce that it will be held here in October 2012. This is a National event, which is held every 6 months in various places around Australia. It will involve approximately 1000 Motorhomes visiting Boonah for a week, using the Showgrounds and Coronation Park. Achieving this has been a mammoth combined effort working with the Scenic Rim Council and the Chamber of Commerce. With the support of Council and the Chamber of Commerce, Jennie Cowdell (from the Boonah Visitors Information Centre) and Beth Hern will be promoting Boonah at the Rally being held at Kalgoorlie W.A. from 10 – 16th October and then again in April at Sale in Victoria. They will be handing out Visitors Information packs containing a DVD promoting Boonah, a postcard, magnet and other information about the town, and running a presentation, in order to encourage everyone to attend Boonah in October 2012. We thank Greg Holdorf for the terrific job he did in making a promotional DVD for Boonah for our use. This will be an incredible event for Boonah, and there will be massive opportunities for the Show Society and other Community Groups to be involved in catering and fundraising activities. More information will be released as it comes to hand. This would not have happened without the combined support of our Council and Chamber of Commerce.

SUCCESSFUL GRANT FROM GAMBLING BENEFIT FUND.

We are pleased to announce that we have been successful in obtaining a Grant for \$7,700-00 for the use of Rotary to erect permanent security fencing at the Rotary Bar. This will be a great asset to the area.

CHANGES FOR SHOW SCHEDULE FOR 2012

If Chief Stewards have not already done this, can you please have any changes for the schedule in before the end of October? This also applies for any Section Steward Meetings which may be required.