

Boonah Show Society Newsletter

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DATE CLAIMERS

**Team Penning:- 21st November 2015
(Under lights, Rodeo Arena)**

Show Ball:- 9th April 2016

Boonah Show:- 27th & 28th May

Show Draft:- 5th June

Clydie Spectacular:- 11th & 12th June

Sheep Dog Trials:- 5th & 6th August

MEETING DATES

Stud Cattle Stewards Meeting:- Friday 9th October

Horse Stewards Meeting:- Wednesday 14th October

Show Meeting :- Tuesday 13th October

Management Committee Meeting :- Tuesday 27th October

SHOW NEWS:- Our next Show Meeting will be held on **Tuesday 13th October**. The theme for our Show for 2016 is **“Looking Forward – Looking Back”**. This is working on the play of words, “Bringing back the Trots”, “Bringing back the Wood chopping”, “Bringing back the Sheepdog Trials”, “Bringing back the Friday Show”. This will all be happening, at the same time, we are “Looking Forward” to a very successful Show. The Harness Racing Board have approved our track for Trotting events, so we are now looking for Sponsors for the prize money and associated expenses. We will be holding a Friday evening Trotting Program between 4 p.m and concluding with a Fireworks display at 8 p.m, supported by other entertainment. The Bar, with a Band will continue into the night. This will give a full evening of entertainment with the Junior Young Farmers Challenge happening in the Rodeo Arena and the Cattleman’s Dinner in the Dining Hall. We will have a full Show on Friday, with all Pavilion Judging taking place on Thursday. Woodchop events are planned for next year, thanks to a great deal of work from Ross Gilbert, these events are almost fully sponsored. We are also looking forward to having Sheep Dog trials happening on Friday, and some demonstrations on Saturday as well. All the usual Saturday features and Saturday Night Show will be continuing.

Attendance at our last Show Meeting was very disappointing. It is important that we get support from all our Sections of the Show when important decisions about our Show are being made. The changes which we are looking at for the future requires the support of everyone if they are to be successful, so we look forward to having a representative from every Section of the Show at this meeting.

AGM was held on Tuesday 22nd September. Thank you to those members who attended. There were no changes to our Management Committee, so everyone must be happy with what we are doing!! The Show Society has enjoyed a very successful and busy year, and this is reflected in a very healthy Financial Report.

CARAVAN PARK:- Our new Caretakers, Wayne & Nijole Martin, are settling in really well, and have been very busy. The Park is looking great, and has never been busier! They have put together Welcome Packs with the support from local Businesses, which are greatly appreciated by our overnight visitors, encouraging them to stay longer in our town. This is working really well. Wayne has plans to build a Gazebo at the entrance to the Camping Grounds, which can be used as a shaded meeting place for groups to gather, and give a welcoming entrance to our camping grounds.

GROUNDS IMPROVEMENTS:- We are very pleased to see the upgrade to the Rodeo Arena completed. Congratulations to the Rodeo Assn for undertaking this project. The Pony Club have also completed an upgrade to their Clubhouse and the construction of new Round Yards, and the Girl Guides have built a Storage Shed next to the Guide Hut. The Show Society have put the old poles from the Cricket Club Lights to good use, with lights behind the Campdraft Yards and over the new ramp at the Rodeo Arena. The new fence along MacQuarie Street from Salt Gully to the entrance gates has also been done by the Show Society, assisted by the boys from Palen Creek, so the Showgrounds have had a lot of work happening during the last 3 months. All of this will be well tested during the Campdraft, especially holding the Novice Finals under lights on Saturday Night !

BOONAH SCOUTS:- We welcome Boonah Scouts as a tenant on our Grounds. They are renting the Pavilion for their activities until they become established and find a permanent home. We wish them every success.

CHANGES FOR SCHEDULES:- Please get any changes to the Schedules to the Office as soon as possible. We would like everything in before November, so we have plenty of time to prepare the Schedules. Sponsor letters have all gone out and we are looking for replies for these by the end of October.

Looking forward to seeing a good representation of Stewards at the Stud Cattle Stewards BBQ & Meeting, The Horse Stewards Meeting and the Show Meeting.

Kind regards,

Beth Hern
Secretary