

BAPS News



Ballarat Agricultural & Pastoral Society Inc.

July 2021 Newsletter

VICTORIAN SHEEP SHOW



FIBRE, FASHION, FOOD & FARM FESTIVAL

Well Sunday 4th July dawned cold and wet and didn't improve as the day went on. This did not, however, deter those who were heading to the Victorian Sheep Show, supported by Ballarat Grammar. The vibe inside the Main Pavilion was warm and friendly with a touch of anticipation on the part of those who were there to win a prize with their ram or ewe. With over 400 sheep, some with their lambs in tow, it was the place to be and the day was a huge success.



The Clunes Young Farmers provided a very tasty breakfast for those who had an early start.

Shane Zammit, Ballan Butcher, put on a fantastic butchery demonstration showcasing all the delicious cuts you can have with lamb.

Congratulations to the Coryule Merino Stud (Midlands Group) who were placed first in the 2021 VAS Ltd Fleece Competition held at our Victorian Sheep Show.

A big thank you for those businesses who exhibited on the day. It was great to have the Ballarat Engine and Machinery Preservation Society involved with a few of their machines on display and operating. The Cattle Pavilion was full, with half the area taken up by the Alpaca Association and several exhibits related to the wool industry.

Unfortunately, there is not enough space to thank everyone for their contribution, but you know who you are, so thank you.



However, the biggest thank you goes to the Sheep Committee chaired by Jonathan Tischler for the incredible work they did to produce what someone said was the best Victorian Sheep Show in 25 years. Well done!!!

BAPS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING **Wednesday 14th July**

It was that time of the year again when we gathered to discuss the year that has been. The 161st AGM started with drinks then a lovely dinner was served before moving onto the meeting itself. The evening was open to all members to attend. It was great to see people catching up during the evening.

As first the President's report, then the Executive Officer's report and finally the Treasurer's report were read out it was plain to see the impact COVID has had over the last twelve months. Three major events cancelled. It was such a relief to be able to hold the Victorian Sheep Show.

The 2021/22 Executive Committee members are:

President – Rick Smith

Immediate Past President – Geoff Fiskin

Senior Vice President - Matt Dickinson.

And Chair of the Cattle Committee

Junior Vic President – Matt Menhennet –

And Chair of the Finance Committee.

Treasurer – Julian Versloot

Executive – Ben Fleay

Executive – Kerri Gallagher

Executive – Shane Zammit

Executive - Rebecca Stacey

Also Chair Promotions Committee

Executive - Jonathan Tischler

And Chair Sheep Committee

Liz Molesworth -Chair Arts and Crafts Committee

Alistair Freeman -Chair Wine Committee

Michael Daunt – Advisor

And Chair Showground Development Committee

Phillip Franklin -Advisor

Peter Fraser - Advisor

There has been a major addition to the BAPS rules;
Corporate Membership. This is a brand-new membership which has three categories.

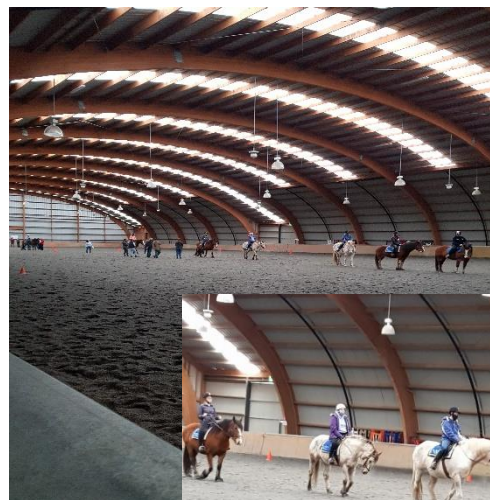
- Sole Trader or small business with up to two staff
- Medium business with three to ten staff
- Larger business with more than ten staff

Information and invites will be sent out soon to businesses.

If you were unable to attend the AGM and would like to read the 161st Annual Report you can find it on our website, www.ballaratshow.org.au, or if you would like to receive a copy in the mail, please let the office know.

BALLARAT SPRING SHOW

Preparations are well underway for our 2021 Spring Show which will be held on the 12th, 13th and 14th of November. Due to the fact that there is no Ballarat Show holiday on the Friday we will open the show in the afternoon. More details to come.



BALLARAT EQUESTRIAN CENTRE

We are experiencing a very wet winter and for those who own horses the equestrian centre at Mt Rowan has been the place to go to exercise horses or train for the next competition. The arena has been booked almost every day by casual riders and then of course there are the day events run by various pony

and horse clubs. It is a real pleasure to see the facility used on a very regular basis.

COVID unfortunately stopped several events and prevented multiple riders from using the arena during the July lockdown.

If you would like to hire the Equestrian Centre for casual riding, a private session or to hold an event, go to our website to book.

www.ballaratequestriancentre.com.au

MT ROWAN FACILITIES

The Shearing Shed, Classroom and outdoor pens at 6 Rosehill Road are all available for hire. If you are planning an agricultural related event don't hesitate to make contact. We are happy to show you the facilities and advise hire charges.

BALLARAT SHOWGROUNDS

Our current Ballarat Showgrounds has numerous buildings as well as the Broadhead Arena available for hire for whatever event you may be planning. Contact us for more details.

VOLUNTEERS

BAPS has some wonderful, dedicated volunteers who are part of a committee or help when we have an event being held at the Showgrounds. We cannot do what we do with the help of volunteers.

If you would like to become part of the BAPS team and volunteer in some capacity, please make contact and let us know, we would love to hear from you.

BAPS is a not-for-profit organization. By becoming a member your \$65 membership fee helps run the organization.

Membership entitles you to a free pass to the Spring Show. However now, for those who enjoy the movies, one new benefit has just secured for BAPS members.

Free membership to the Delacombe Showbiz Movie Theatre. A ticket to the movies for a BAPS member is \$10.50 instead of \$19. A great saving.

(If you are already a member of BAPS your name has been put into the Showbiz database so all you need to do is turn up and advise that you are a BAPS member and enjoy a saving of \$8.50 off your ticket price)

Become a Friend of BAPS - contact us on eo@ballaratshow.org.au or phone: 03 5338 1877

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Executive Officer

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