



Royal Agricultural Society of NSW

# *Schedule*

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## Sydney Royal Young Judges Competitions

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Sydney Olympic Park  
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Royal Agricultural Society of NSW

## Welcome from the President



The Sydney Royal Easter Show is a true celebration of the best that Australia has to offer, and we are delighted that you will be part of it. Our agricultural competitions sit proudly at the heart of everything we do, with our world class livestock shows continuing to draw national and international attention. Alongside our horse events, poultry, domestic animals, perishable cooking, arts and crafts, horticulture and woodchopping, these competitions make the Easter Show a vibrant, living showcase of Australian skill, passion and excellence to hundreds of thousands of visitors each year.

The Royal Agricultural Society of NSW (RAS) has a rich history dating back to 1822, built on a tradition of fostering and rewarding excellence in agriculture. While we honour that legacy, the RAS of today is forward looking and innovative. Each of our Committees and competition sections has a clear strategic plan in place, ensuring that we not only preserve what makes the Show extraordinary, but continually adapt – harnessing innovation and technology to enhance our competitions, benchmarking and judging processes.

Agriculture remains at the very core of our mission, with the RAS making significant contributions each year towards the growth and strength of our farming and food production sectors. Sydney Royal competitions are unique in the way they benchmark and celebrate excellence in Australian agriculture, shining a light on those who set new industry standards. Nearly 30,000 entries each year, spanning the food supply chain from paddock to plate, demonstrate the extraordinary diversity, innovation and dedication of our exhibitors.

The benefits of a win at Sydney Royal are truly enduring. A Sydney Royal award is a mark of distinction and a symbol of the highest standards of quality and excellence, it is something people are truly proud of. For some of our exhibitors, it also opens doors to valuable opportunities that elevate their profile, connects them with consumers, and creates lasting advantages for their businesses well into the future.

The cornerstone of our competitions are independent, knowledgeable and highly respected judges, alongside our expert stewards, Councillors and all of our officials. These people generously give their expertise and professionalism to ensure both integrity and excellence. To all our volunteers and to the outstanding and dedicated staff at the RAS whose efforts bring our Show to life, I extend my heartfelt thanks.

If you are not already a Member, I encourage you to join the RAS. Membership offers an even deeper connection to the Show and to this incredible community of people dedicated to honouring tradition while driving innovation.

On behalf of the RAS, I wish you the very best of luck. I eagerly look forward to seeing the strength of our agriculture, the diversity of our competitions and the skill and passion of our exhibitors on display. This year, I will also be delighted to welcome our major winners each afternoon in the President's Suite and congratulate them firsthand.

John C. Bennett, OAM  
President, Royal Agricultural Society of NSW

## **YOUNG JUDGES COMPETITIONS SPECIAL COMMITTEE**

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# 2026 SYDNEY ROYAL EASTER SHOW

## YOUNG JUDGES COMPETITIONS TIMETABLE

| SECTION   | VENUE                               | DATE                   | TIME    |
|---|-------------------------------------|------------------------|---------|
| The RAS/AgShows NSW Beef Cattle Paraders' State Final   | Cattle Lawns                        | Wednesday 1 April 2026 | 10am    |
| The RAS Dairy Goat Young Judges   | Pig & Goat Pavilion                 | Friday 3 April 2026    | 2pm     |
| The RAS/AgShows NSW Poultry Young Judges Competition State Final  | Poultry Pavilion & Pigeon Pavillion | Saturday 4 April 2026  | 9am     |
| The RAS/Australian Stock Horse Society Australian Stock Horse Young Judges Competition State Final and National Final | ENGIE Stadium - Ring 1              | Saturday 4 April 2026  | 10:35am |
| The RAS Horticulture Young Judges Competition   | Flower & Garden Pavilion            | Sunday 5 April 2026    | 8:30am  |
| The RAS Pig Young Judges Competition  | Pig & Goat Pavilion                 | Sunday 5 April 2026    | 9am     |
| The RAS/AgShows NSW Beef Cattle Young Judges Competition State Final  | Cattle Lawns                        | Sunday 5 April 2026    | 9am     |
| The RAS/AgShows NSW Meat Breeds Sheep Young Judges Competition State Final  | Sheep & Wool Pavilion               | Sunday 5 April 2026    | 2:30pm  |
| The RAS/AgShows NSW Grain Young Judges Competition State Final  | Flower & Garden Pavilion            | Tuesday 7 April 2026   | 9am     |
| The RAS/AgShows NSW Fruit and Vegetable Young Judges Competition State Final  | Flower & Garden Pavilion            | Tuesday 7 April 2026   | 11am    |
| The RAS Angora Goat and Mohair Young Judges Competition State Final   | Pig & Goat Pavilion                 | Tuesday 7 April 2026   | 2pm     |
| The RAS/AgShows NSW Merino Fleece Young Judges Competition State Final  | Sheep & Wool Pavilion               | Friday 10 April 2026   | 1pm     |
| The RAS/AgShows NSW Merino Sheep Young Judges Competition State Final   | Sheep & Wool Pavilion               | Friday 10 April 2026   | 4pm     |
| The RAS/AgShows NSW Dairy Cattle Paraders' State Final  | Cattle Lawns                        | Saturday 11 April 2026 | 10am    |
| The RAS/AgShows NSW Dairy Cattle Young Judges Competition State Final   | Cattle Lawns                        | Saturday 11 April 2026 | 1pm     |
| The RAS Alpaca Young Judges Competition State Final   | Alpaca Pavilion                     | Monday 13 April 2026   | 9am     |
| The RAS Boer Goat Young Judges Competition  | Pig & Goat Pavilion                 | Monday 13 April 2026   | 1pm     |
| The RAS/Australian Pony Stud Book Young Judges Competition State Final (Shetland Pony)                                | ENGIE Stadium - Ring 3              | Monday 13 April 2026   | 4:35pm  |

# YOUNG JUDGES COMPETITIONS

## APPLICATIONS FOR ENTRY

Applications for Entry are online. There will be no offline processing facility for Competitions for 2026.

To enter or for more information, visit:

<https://www.rasnsw.com.au/competitions/youth/young-judges-details/>

Entries will not be accepted after the specified dates except in such special circumstances as may be approved by the RAS.

## AWARDS, CERTIFICATES & PRIZES

All participating finalists will receive an RAS Certificate of Participation and other Awards and prizes as may be specified.

## COMPETITION PROCEDURES

Competition Procedures and guidelines are available on the website at [www.rasnsw.com.au](http://www.rasnsw.com.au) or upon request by contacting the relevant Person for that section as listed in this Schedule.

## ENTRY FEES

FREE (unless otherwise specified)

## INCORRECT AND INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS FOR ENTRY

A Correction Fee of up to \$20 may be charged by the RAS, at its discretion, for each Application for Entry which is incorrect or incomplete. If an Application for Entry is not rectified in accordance with the RAS' requirements, the entry may not be accepted by the RAS.

## PERPETUAL TROPHIES

Perpetual Trophies remain the property of the Royal Agricultural Society of NSW. Ownership of the Trophy does not pass to the winning Competitor. A medallion will be presented to the annual winner whose name will be engraved on the Trophy.

## PRIZES AND GST

The Australian Taxation Office has deemed that GST is payable on prizes if an Exhibitor is registered for GST and enters an Exhibit as part of a business enterprise.

The information an Exhibitor provides on the Application for Entry determines whether GST is applicable.

*Any prize stated in this Schedule does not include GST.*

### GST will not apply:

- if an Exhibitor enters an Exhibit as a hobby or private recreational pursuit; or
- if an Exhibitor enters an Exhibit as part of a business enterprise, the Exhibitor has an ABN, but the Exhibitor is NOT REGISTERED for GST.
- if an Exhibitor enters an Exhibit as part of a business enterprise, the Exhibitor is not entitled to an ABN as the business or enterprise is not operating in Australia.

### GST will apply:

- if an Exhibitor enters an Exhibit as part of a business enterprise, the Exhibitor has an ABN, and the Exhibitor is REGISTERED for GST.

Where GST applies, the RAS will pay the prize money quoted in this Schedule plus 10% GST. The RAS will issue a recipient created tax invoice.

**WARNING:** The Exhibitor must complete the **Tax Details** on the Application for Entry. Failure to do so will result in the RAS deducting 47% of the successful Exhibitor's prize money as Pay As You Go Tax (PAYG). The RAS recommends that the Exhibitor seeks professional advice before completing the Tax Details.

## PAYMENT OF PRIZE MONEY

Prize money won during the Sydney Royal Easter Show will be paid by Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) to the bank account nominated for the Exhibitor in the competition entry system (myRAS) at the time the RAS commences processing a payment. If the bank details are incomplete or incorrect, the RAS will attempt to contact the prize winners to confirm payment details.

The RAS seeks to finalise all prize money payments by the end of June. Queries regarding unpaid prize money can be addressed to the Service Centre by email at [competitions@rasnsw.com.au](mailto:competitions@rasnsw.com.au).

Any prize money left unclaimed for a period in excess of six months, is deemed forfeited by the Exhibitor.

## SUPPORTER PRIZES

Prizes are provided by third parties and the RAS advises that any such prizes may be subject to change or amendment occurring at any time, thereby making the original information published incorrect.

## REPORTING TIME

Competitors in their respective Classes are required to report at the location specified 15 minutes (unless otherwise specified) prior to the times set down in this Schedule for the commencement of the Competition.

## TIMETABLE

Please refer to the Competition Timetable on page 6 for specific dates and locations for each Competition.

## WORKING WITH CHILDREN

Exhibitors must comply with all applicable Working with Children Legislation.

Exhibitors over the age of 18 years, who are involved in a child-related role or have direct unsupervised contact with children, must produce evidence of Working with Children Checks to the Royal Agricultural Society of NSW, at least one (1) month prior to Competition.

## WORKPLACE SURVEILLANCE ACT

The RAS operates surveillance cameras from Sydney Showground Security and these are located in and around facilities requiring security monitoring for the safety or security of individuals or property. The RAS also has access to Sydney Olympic Park security cameras and vice versa. Please note that security camera monitoring is continuous and ongoing and it is deemed that a person, by entering the Showground, consents to this photographing, filming or taping. The RAS strictly complies with the *Workplace Surveillance Act 2005 (NSW)*.

## YOUNG JUDGES COMPETITIONS SPECIAL REGULATIONS

The RAS General Regulations apply to all Sections of the Show. These Young Judges Competitions Special Regulations apply to this Section only. If there is any inconsistency between the General Regulations and the Young Judges Competitions Special Regulations, the Young Judges Competitions Special Regulations prevail. Copies of all Regulations are available from the administration office at the Showground. General Regulations are available at [www.rasnsw.com.au](http://www.rasnsw.com.au)

1. Competitors must be at least 15 years of age and under 25 years of age, as at 1 May 2026, unless otherwise specified.
2. Some Societies when submitting entries may have age and other variations for certain Young Judges Competitions. Such variation must have prior approval from the RAS. A date of birth must be shown on the Application for Entry. The Chief Steward only may request a Statutory Declaration.
3. All entries must be submitted through the myRAS Competition entry system including Competitors that have qualified or been nominated by AgShows NSW or relevant Breed Society.
4. The number of Exhibits to be judged in each Young Judges Competition Class shall be four, labelled 1, 2, 3 and 4 respectively.
5. Unless otherwise specified, there shall be a Competition Judge for a breed or Class, a Judges' Steward, an Announcer Steward and one or more Ring Stewards and Assessor Stewards. In animal Classes where a breed type is specified, such Class may be changed without notice at the discretion of the Chief Steward.
6. Visual Judging, Judging Techniques and Handling (where required) shall be completed prior to the commencement of the Oral Judging.
7. Handling: For all Classes that include points for handling, the Competitor will be scored on their ability to judge each Exhibit with sufficient handling to adequately assess all characteristics, and with sufficient care to avoid causing any deterioration in the appearance of those Exhibits.
8. At the discretion of the RAS of NSW Young Judges Special Committee and subject to the conditions for each Competition, a minimum number of Six (6) top-placed Competitors in the Visual Judging will participate in the Oral Judging. All points awarded including Judging Techniques and Handling shall be included for the selection of the Oral Competitors.
9. In all Competitions an outright winner and outright placegetters must be declared. In the event of a tie where two or more Classes are judged, the winner will be determined from the highest mark from Visual Judging. If the highest mark from Visual Judging is the same, the Competition Judge will decide at their discretion, the winner and/or placegetters by one whole point.
10. Up to five (5) ribbons may be awarded in any one Competition.
11. Oral Section: A maximum of two minutes shall be allowed for Oral comments unless otherwise specified. Points shall be deducted for comment beyond the allowed time. Points shall be awarded in the Oral Section for accuracy of observation - 15 points, ability to compare Exhibits - 15 points; speaking ability - 10 points; presentation and dress - 10 points; Total 50 points.
12. Dress: Competitors must be neatly and suitably attired. Male Competitors shall wear a tie and female Competitors shall be attired to a similar standard. Closed shoes or boots must be worn. Shorts and thongs are not allowed. Points shall be deducted for poor presentation. Some sections specify specific dress requirements.
13. Winners of two State Finals and RAS of NSW Young Judges Finals in any one Class shall not be eligible for future Competition in that Class.
14. National Winners (ASA) shall not be eligible for future Competition in that Class.
15. Once a Competitor has qualified to represent a Group at Sydney Royal Easter Show in any one of the Judging Competition State Finals, they may not enter another Group Final as a potential qualifier in that type of Competition in that Competition year. They can, however, enter any one or more Group Finals anywhere in the state, for practice (and score), in the same type of Competition as one in which they have previously qualified as long as they disclose this to the Group Final organisers at the time of entry and indicate that they are not eligible for a placing in that event.
16. For RAS/AgShows NSW Competitors, a Competitor cannot represent more than one AgShows NSW Group.
17. Maximum number of Competitors in all RAS Competitions shall be sixteen (16) unless otherwise specified.
18. A conversation between a Competitor and Person, other than a Young Judges Competition Steward, is not permitted during judging and may be deemed by the Chief Steward of that Section to be outside assistance. Competitors will be eliminated from the Competition if deemed by the Chief Steward to be receiving outside assistance. The Chief Steward's decision is final.
19. Winners of the RAS/AgShows NSW State Finals held at the Sydney Royal Easter Show are eligible to compete at the Agricultural Shows Australia National Finals.
20. Competitors must reside in either NSW or the ACT; or be in regular paid employment in NSW or the ACT; or be in full-time education in NSW or the ACT at the time of first competing in any Competition year. Competitors from other states may be accepted at the discretion of the Young Judges Special Committee.

## AGRICULTURE

### ENQUIRIES TO:

AGSHOWS NSW

PO BOX 1047

Hunters Hill 2110

Telephone: (02) 9879 6777

Email: [katie.stanley@ascofnsw.org.au](mailto:katie.stanley@ascofnsw.org.au)

Website: <http://www.agshowsnsw.org.au/index.php/competitions/group-finals>

### APPLICATIONS FOR ENTRY

Applications for Entry will be online. There will be no offline processing facility for Competitions.

To enter, visit <https://www.rasnsw.com.au/competitions/youth/young-judges-details/>

Approved Competitors will be emailed a qualifier code from AgShows NSW to enable them to submit their Application for Entry.

Applications for Entry must be submitted online by Monday 16 March 2026

### THE RAS/AGSHOWS NSW GRAIN YOUNG JUDGES COMPETITION STATE FINAL

**Judging Day:** Tuesday 7 April 2026

**Venue:** Flower & Garden (Southee) Pavilion

**Prizes:** Champion \$500, Reserve Champion \$125, 3rd Place \$75 supported by Royal Agricultural Society of NSW.

The Champion also receives an AgShows NSW Plaque and all participating finalists from AgShows NSW receive a \$50 gift card provided by AgShows NSW.

Nominations are automatically accepted for the 1st and 2nd placegetters from Group Final Competitions held by Show Societies under the auspices of the AgShows NSW.

**Conditions applicable to this Competition (Please refer to the above website for a full copy of the Rules, Procedures and Guidelines):**

The Competition will be conducted as follows:

1. Three Classes of grains with four Exhibits in each Class will be judged in the Competition.
2. Eight minutes will be allowed for the judging in each Class.
3. Maximum score for the Competition shall be 210 points, 50 for each of the three Classes, 10 for handling and 50 for the Oral Section.
4. Prior to judging each competitor will nominate their choice for oral judging. Each competitor in the Oral Class is allowed 2 minutes to explain the reasons for their placing. Once the two minutes has been reached, 1 mark per 10 seconds or part thereof will be deducted from the total score by the stewards.

#### Previous Winners:

2025 - Heather Walker

2024 - Emily Taylor

2023 - Lachlan Haynes

2022 - Michelle Fairall

2021 - Campbell Wall

2020 - No Competition

2019 - Matthew Mitton

2018 - Heather Earney

2017 - Christopher Bowler

2016 - Brooke Sewell

1993 - Commencement

### THE RAS/AGSHOWS NSW FRUIT AND VEGETABLE YOUNG JUDGES COMPETITION STATE FINAL

**Judging Day:** Tuesday 7 April 2026

**Venue:** Flower & Garden (Southee) Pavilion

**Prizes:** Champion \$100, Reserve Champion \$75, 3rd Place \$50 supported by Royal Agricultural Society of NSW.

The Champion also receives an AgShows NSW Plaque and all participating finalists from AgShows NSW receive a \$50 gift card provided by AgShows NSW.

**Conditions applicable to this Competition (Please refer to the above website for a full copy of the Rules, Procedures and Guidelines):**

The Competition will be conducted as follows:

1. Three Classes of fruit and/or vegetables with four Exhibits in each Class will be judged in the Competition.
2. Six minutes will be allowed for the judging in each Class.
3. At the discretion of the Competition Judge, a specimen of each Exhibit in a Class may be sliced to allow an internal visual assessment.
4. Maximum score for the Competition shall be 210 points, 50 for each of the three Classes, 10 for handling and 50 for the Oral Section.
5. Prior to judging each competitor will nominate their choice for oral judging. Each competitor in the Oral Class is allowed 2 minutes to explain the reasons for their placing. Once the two minutes has been reached, 1 mark per 10 seconds or part thereof will be deducted from the total score by the stewards.

#### Previous Winners:

2025 - Ben Kavanagh

2024 - Heather Walker

2023 - Sam Batten

2022 - Michelle Fairall

2021 - Michelle Fairall

2020 - No Competition

2019 - Emma-Jane Lovell

2018 - Brooklyn Davis

2017 - Sarah Waldron-Jones

2016 - Ryan McParland

1993 - Commencement

## ALPACA

### ENQUIRIES TO:

Agricultural Youth Initiatives Manager  
 Royal Agricultural Society of NSW Locked Bag 4317  
 Sydney Olympic Park NSW 2127  
 Telephone: 02 9704 1160  
 Email: agrilink@rasnsw.com.au  
 Web: <https://www.rasnsw.com.au/competitions/youth/young-judges-details/>

### APPLICATIONS FOR ENTRY

**Applications for Entry will be online. There will be no offline processing facility for Competitions.**  
 To enter, visit <https://www.rasnsw.com.au/competitions/youth/young-judges-details/>

**Applications for Entry must be submitted online by 9am, Saturday 11 April 2026**

**Competitors who submit their entries prior to Monday 16 March will be posted an access ticket. Competitors who submit their entry for this Competition between Monday 16 March and Saturday 11 April 2026, will be emailed a digital ticket.**

#### Conditions:

**Dress Code:** Competitors must be neatly and suitably attired with either long sleeved shirt and jacket, and male Competitors must wear a tie and long pants. Long hair is to be restrained and only minimal jewellery is acceptable. Closed in shoes are essential. Shorts, chewing gum and poor presentation is unacceptable and will be marked down accordingly.

### THE RAS JUNIOR ALPACA HALTER YOUNG JUDGES COMPETITION STATE FINAL

Competitors must be at least 12 years of age and under 15 years of age, as at 1 May 2026.

**Judging Day:** Monday 13 April 2026

**Venue:** Alpaca (Munro) Pavilion

**Prizes:** Champion \$100, Reserve Champion \$75, 3rd Place \$50, supported by Royal Agricultural Society of NSW.

A ribbon will be awarded to each prize-winner.

#### Previous Winners:

2026 - Commencement

### THE RAS ALPACA HALTER YOUNG JUDGES COMPETITION STATE FINAL

Competitors must be at least 15 years of age and under 25 years of age, as at 1 May 2026.

**Judging Day:** Monday 13 April 2026

**Venue:** Alpaca (Munro) Pavilion

**Prizes:** Champion \$100, Reserve Champion \$75, 3rd Place \$50, supported by Janie Forrest & Ian Davison from the Coolaroo Alpaca Stud.

A ribbon will be awarded to each prize-winner.

#### Conditions:

1. The RAS Alpaca Halter Young Judges Competition State Final will consist of one Class of animals in halter; of Huacaya or Suri comprising of four Exhibits in the Class. This is to say that if the animal in the Halter Section is Huacaya, the Fleece Section should be Suri.
2. Exhibits at the Show in which the state final is being held may be used only if unplaced.
3. Exhibits must be identified by 'breastplates' or 'armbands' numbered one, two, three, four (1, 2, 3, 4), and not A, B, C, D with relevant measurements recorded on them.
4. Prior to the commencement of judging the Competition Judge is to instruct the Judges Steward on the Class that the oral

judging will occur on. This is to be communicated to the Competitors via the Stewards.

5. Process of visual judging
  - a. Visual judging of the Halter Class will take place first. There should only be four Competitors assessing each Class at a time for animal welfare reasons.
  - b. Competitors will be allowed ten (10) minutes per Class.
  - c. Parading of Animals
    - i. Animals are to be led individually into the ring in a clockwise direction in numerical order, one, two, three, four (1, 2, 3, 4) and lined up as per normal halter Classes in frontal profile. The Competitors will be allowed to observe the animals as they are being paraded to assess gait and conformation. The parade diagram must allow for clear visual of gait and conformation by use of straight lines in their parade.
    - ii. Timing commences at the point all animals are lined up in the ring.
    - iii. Competitors will inspect the animals over a period of ten (10) minutes from rear, frontal and lateral profiles, allowing half a minute for the alpacas to be stood in lateral profile, to be collectively and comparatively assessed.
    - iv. Time will be called two (2) minutes prior to the completion of the allocated time.
    - v. Competitors' Placing Cards to be handed in at the conclusion of ten (10) minutes.
6. Process of Oral Judging for Halter Class:
  - a. At the discretion of the Judge based on points from the visual judging, a minimum of 8 Competitors from the visual judging will participate in the oral judging. Reading from notes is discouraged at state finals.
  - b. Before the commencement of the oral presentation, each Competitor is required either to give instruction to the Ring Steward or, to place the ribbons on the animals in placement order. The ribbon colour order being Blue - First (1st), Red - Second (2nd), White - Third (3rd), Yellow - Fourth (4th).
  - c. Each Competitor in the Oral Judging is allowed two (2) minutes to speak, explaining their placing from their nominated group of animals. Penalty points apply - One (1)

point should be deducted for every ten (10) seconds or part thereof over the allotted two (2) minutes.

- d. Competitors in the Oral Class are scored on their judging craft, accuracy of observation, their comparative statements, speaking ability and general presentation and dress.

7. Awarding of assessor marks will occur as follows: -

- a. Order of merit placing - a maximum fifty (50) points for the Class will be awarded. The Computer Scoring Program and Hormel Slide to be used to assess placing. Each group of Exhibits will be identified by breed. This is referred to as the visual score.
- b. Handling - maximum of fifty (50) points for the Class. The judging of Exhibits should be done with sufficient handling to adequately assess all characteristics. Sufficient care must be used to avoid causing any harm to the Exhibit. These points are to be allocated by the Competition Judge while Competitors are undertaking the visual judging
- c. Oral - maximum of fifty (50) points. Competitors in the Oral Section are scored on their accuracy of observation, their comparative statements, speaking ability, and general presentation and dress.
- d. Total maximum points is one hundred and fifty (150) for the Competition.

8. Determination of Competitors placing

- a. The placing is to be determined by the highest total point score across all visual judging Classes, handling and oral judging.
- b. In the case of a dead heat the Competitor with the highest total points for visual judging will be declared the winner, or if there is still a dead heat the Competition Judge will have the final say. All tie-break details are to be confirmed by the Judge's Steward.

**Previous Winner:**

2025 - Sophie Constantine  
2023 - Grace Nesbitt

**THE RAS JUNIOR ALPACA FLEECE YOUNG JUDGES COMPETITION STATE FINAL**

Competitors must be at least 12 years of age and under 15 years of age, as at 1 May 2026.

**Judging Day:** Monday 13 April 2026

**Venue:** Alpaca (Munro) Pavilion

**Prizes:** Champion \$100, Reserve Champion \$75, 3rd Place \$50, supported by Royal Agricultural Society of NSW.

A ribbon will be awarded to each prize-winner.

**Previous Winners:**

2026 - Commencement

**THE RAS ALPACA FLEECE YOUNG JUDGES COMPETITION STATE FINAL**

**Judging Day:** Monday 13 April 2026

**Venue:** Alpaca (Munro) Pavilion

**Prizes:** Champion \$100, Reserve Champion \$75, 3rd Place \$50, supported by Janie Forrest & Ian Davison from the Coolaroo Alpaca Stud.

A ribbon will be awarded to each prize-winner.

**Conditions:**

1. The Alpaca Fleece Young Judges National Competition will consist of one Class of fleece; of Huacaya or Suri comprising of four Exhibits in the Class. This is to say that if the animal in the Halter Section is Huacaya, the Fleece Section should be Suri.
2. Exhibits at the Show in which the state final is being held may be used only if unplaced.
3. Exhibits must be identified by 'fleece cards' numbered one, two, three, four (1, 2, 3, 4), and not A, B, C, D with relevant measurements recorded on them.
4. Prior to the commencement of judging the Competition Judge is to instruct the Judges Steward on the Class that the oral judging will occur on. This is to be communicated to the Competitors via the Stewards.
5. Process of visual judging
  - a. There should only be four Competitors assessing each Class at a time.
  - b. Competitors will be allowed twenty (20) minutes for the Class with the ring Stewards to rotate Competitors every five (5) minutes.
6. Process of Oral Judging for the Fleece Class
  - a. At the discretion of the Judge based on points from the visual judging, a minimum of 8 Competitors from the visual judging will participate in the oral judging. Reading from notes is discouraged at state finals.
  - b. Before the commencement of the oral presentation, each Competitor is required either to give instruction to the Ring Steward or, to place the ribbons on the fleece's placement order. The ribbon colour order being Blue - First (1st), Red - Second (2nd), White - Third (3rd), Yellow - Fourth (4th).
  - c. Each Competitor in the Oral Judging is allowed two (2) minutes to speak, explaining their placing from their nominated group of fleeces. Penalty points apply - One (1) point should be deducted for every ten (10) seconds or part thereof over the allotted two (2) minutes.
  - d. Competitors in the Oral Class are scored on their judging craft, accuracy of observation, their comparative

statements, speaking ability and general presentation and dress.

7. Awarding of assessor marks will occur as follows: -

- a. Order of merit placing - a maximum fifty (50) points for the Class will be awarded. The Computer Scoring Program and Hormel Slide to be used to assess placing. Each group of Exhibits will be identified by breed. This is referred to as the visual score.
- b. Handling - maximum of fifty (50) points for the Class. The Judging of Exhibits should be done with sufficient handling to adequately assess all characteristics. Sufficient care must be used to avoid causing any harm to the exhibit. These points are to be allocated by the Competition Judge while Competitors are undertaking the visual judging.
- c. Oral - maximum of fifty (50) points. Competitors in the Oral Section are scored on their accuracy of observation, their comparative statements, speaking ability, and general presentation and dress.
- d. Total maximum points is one hundred and fifty points (150) for the competition.

8. Determination of Competitors placing

- a. The placing is to be determined by the highest total point score across all visual judging Classes, handling, and oral judging.
- b. In the case of a dead heat the Competitor with the highest total points for visual judging will be declared the winner, or if there is still a dead heat the Competition Judge will have the final say. All tie-break details are to be confirmed by the Judge's Steward

**Previous Winner:**

2025 - Sophie Constantine  
2023 - Grace Nesbitt

**RAS ALPACA YOUNG JUDGES STATE FINAL OVERALL JUNIOR CHAMPION**

**Conditions:**

The RAS Junior Alpaca Young Judges Overall Champion shall be determined by the addition of scores from the RAS Junior Alpaca Young Judges Competition and the RAS Junior Alpaca Fleece Young Judges Competition with the Champion awarded to the Competitor with the highest combined score.

In the event of a tie, a count back will be performed in accordance with Young Judges Competitions Special Regulation 10.

**Prizes:** Champion \$550 supported by Royal Agricultural Society of NSW.

It is hoped the money will be used to further the Competitor's education relating to the Alpaca and Alpaca Fleece industry.

A ribbon will be awarded to winner.

**Previous Winners:**

2026 - Commencement

**RAS ALPACA YOUNG JUDGES STATE FINAL OVERALL CHAMPION**

**Conditions:**

The RAS Alpaca Young Judges Overall Champion shall be determined by the addition of scores from the RAS Alpaca Young Judges Competition and the RAS Alpaca Fleece Young Judges Competition with the Champion awarded to the Competitor with the highest combined score.

In the event of a tie, a count back will be performed in accordance with Young Judges Competitions Special Regulation 10.

**Prizes:** Champion \$550 supported by Janie Forrest & Ian Davison from the Coolaroo Alpaca Stud.

It is hoped the money will be used to further the Competitor's education relating to the Alpaca and Alpaca Fleece industry.

A ribbon will be awarded to winner.

**Previous Winners:**

2025 - Sophie Constantine  
2024 - Rebecca Halcomb  
2023 - Grace Nesbitt  
2022 - Mckayla Stewart-Riley  
2021 - Christie Hayward  
2020 - No Competition  
2019 - Ruby Williams  
2018 - Tara Arduin  
2017 - Isabella Wells  
2016 - Tara Arduin  
1997 - Commencement

## CATTLE

### ENQUIRIES TO:

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Website: <http://www.agshowsnsw.org.au/index.php/competitions/group-finals>

### APPLICATIONS FOR ENTRY

Applications for Entry will be online. There will be no offline processing facility for Competitions.

To enter, visit <https://www.rasnsw.com.au/competitions/youth/young-judges-details/>

Approved Competitors will be emailed a qualifier code from AgShows NSW to enable them to submit their Application for Entry.

Applications for Entry must be submitted online by Monday 16 March 2026.

### Conditions applicable to this Competition (Please refer to the above website for a full copy of the Rules, Procedures and Guidelines):

These Competitions are open to the 1st and 2nd placegetters from Group Final Competitions held by country show societies under the auspices of the AgShows NSW.

The Competitions shall be conducted as follows:

1. Three breeds of cattle will be judged in the Competition. Four animals from each breed being designated as one Class.
2. Two minutes will be allowed in the Oral Class for each Competitor to explain their placings. Notes should not be referred to during the oral presentation.
3. The winner is marked out a maximum of 200 points, i.e. 50 for the correct placement of animals in each three Classes and 50 for the Oral Section.

**Dress Code - Cattle Young Judges Competitions:** Competitors must be neatly attired. Male Competitors must wear a hat, coat & tie and female Competitors shall be attired to a similar standard.

### THE RAS/AGSHOWS NSW BEEF CATTLE YOUNG JUDGES COMPETITION STATE FINAL

**Judging Day:** Sunday 5 April 2026

**Venue:** Cattle Lawns

**Prizes:** Champion \$500 supported by Royal Agricultural Society of NSW, for a Study Tour of the Champions choice (to be awarded on the provision of documentation regarding the use of the prize towards the Study Tour and the presentation of a report to the RAS at the conclusion of the tour).

Reserve Champion \$125, 3rd Place \$75 supported by Royal Agricultural Society of NSW.

The Champion also receives the Clive Reynolds Annual Memorial Plaque and all participating finalists from AgShows NSW receive a \$50 gift card provided by AgShows NSW.

The Competition will be conducted as follows:

1. Three Classes of cattle with four Exhibits in each Class will be judged in the Competition.
2. Eight minutes will be allowed for the judging in each Class.
3. Maximum score for the Competition shall be 200 points, 50 for each of the three Classes and 50 for the Oral Section.

4. The oral Class of 4 animals will be nominated by the Competition Judge before judging commences. Each competitor in the oral Class is allowed two minutes for ringcraft and speaking. If the competitor finishes in less than this time but has said all that was needed to support their case, they should not be penalised. On the other hand, once the two minutes has been reached, 1 mark per 10 seconds or part thereof will be deducted from the total score by the stewards.

### Previous Winners:

- 2025 - Jack Taylor
- 2024 - Mitchell Taylor
- 2023 - Samuel Parish
- 2022 - Micquella Grima
- 2021 - Grace Burns
- 2020 - No Competition
- 2019 - Tabitha Cross
- 2018 - Cooper Carter
- 2017 - Jack Laurie
- 2016 - Sophie Cooper
- 1982 - Commencement

## BEEF CATTLE PARADERS' COMPETITIONS

### APPLICATIONS FOR ENTRY:

#### Beef Cattle Paraders' Classes F000, F001 & F003

Application for Entry to Beef Cattle Paraders' Classes F000, F001 & F003 must be made via the RAS Cattle Section by 12 noon Tuesday 31 March 2026.

#### Beef Cattle Paraders' Class F002

Applications for Entry will be online. To enter, visit <https://www.rasnsw.com.au/competitions/youth/young-judges-details/>

**Approved Competitors will be emailed a qualifier code from AgShows NSW to enable them to submit their Application for Entry.**

**Online Applications for Entry must be submitted online prior to Tuesday 31 March 2026.**

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| <b>Dress Code</b>         | Competitors in all Paraders' Competitions shall wear a white dust coat with no logo. Hats are optional whilst parading before a Judge, however caps are not permitted.  |
| <b>Entry Restrictions</b> | <b>Competitors shall only compete in one Beef Cattle Paraders' Competition (F000, F001, F002 or F003).</b>  |
| <b>Eligible Exhibits</b>  | All Competitors in the Beef Cattle Paraders' Competitions on Wednesday 1 April 2026 shall lead an animal entered in the General Beef Cattle Classes or Steer Classes, as advised for each Competition.<br>All Competitors are responsible for organising their own animal for use for the Beef Cattle Paraders' Competitions. |

### **JUNIOR PARADERS' COMPETITION (F000)**

Junior Paraders' Competition - 8 years and under 13 years of age (Date of Birth taken as at 1 May 2026).

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| <b>Conditions</b>           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Winner of Junior Paraders' Competition are <b>ineligible</b> to compete in Grand Champion Parader State Final.</li> <li><b>Competitors in F000 shall lead a Junior Heifer from the General Beef Cattle Classes.</b></li> </ul> |
| <b>Closing Day Of Entry</b> | 12 NOON, TUESDAY 31 MARCH 2026  |
| <b>Entry Fee</b>            | FREE  |
| <b>Judging Day</b>          | WEDNESDAY 1 APRIL 2026  |

### **SCHOOL PARADERS' COMPETITION (F001)**

School Paraders' Competition for Schools entered in the Purebred Steer School Classes 1 - 3.

#### **CHAMPION AND RESERVE CHAMPION SCHOOL PARADER**

The first placegetter from each heat shall parade for the Champion School Parader.

The second placegetter from the heat won by the Champion School Parader, is then judged with the remaining first placegetters for the Reserve Champion School Parader.

Prizes 1st \$70, 2nd \$35 and ribbons.

**The AgShows NSW /RAS Perpetual Shield, for the Champion School Parader.**

AgShows NSW Plaque presented to the Champion School Parader.

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| <b>Conditions</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Applications for Entry shall be signed by the School Principal.</li> <li>One entry per School only.</li> <li><b>Competitors in F001 shall lead the Purebred School Steer from Classes 1 - 3.</b></li> <li>Competitors shall be representing a School which has an entry in the Purebred Steer School Classes 1 – 3.</li> <li>Champion of School Paraders' Competition (F001), to compete in the Grand Champion Parader State Final.</li> <li><b>Students entering in this Competition (F001) are ineligible to compete in F002.</b></li> <li>Heats shall be determined on the number of entries; ribbons shall be presented to the placegetters in each heat.</li> <li>A winner of two F001 Championships shall not be eligible for future Competition in F001.</li> <li>A Champion of F001 is eligible to compete in F002 and F003 in future years.</li> <li>The Reserve Champion School Parader (F001) is eligible to compete in the State Final for Reserve Champion Parader.</li> <li>For the State Final, the Champion and Reserve Champion School Parader shall lead the Purebred School Steer they led in F001.</li> <li><b>In order to be eligible to proceed to the ASA National Beef Cattle Paraders' Championship, Competitors shall be 15 and under 25 years of age on 1st May in the year of the Competitor's State Final.</b></li> </ul> |
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|                             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Should the Champion School Parader (F001) win Grand Champion Parader State Final, Competitors under the age of 18 shall be accompanied by a chaperone.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Closing Day Of Entry</b> | 12 NOON, TUESDAY 31 MARCH 2026   |
| <b>Entry Fee</b>            | FREE   |
| <b>Judging Day</b>          | WEDNESDAY 1 APRIL 2026   |

### **RAS/AGSHOWS NSW BEEF CATTLE PARADERS' FINAL (F002)**

The RAS/ AgShows NSW Paraders' Competition - 13 years and under 19 years (Date of birth taken as at 1 May 2026).

#### **CHAMPION AND RESERVE CHAMPION RAS/AGSHOWS NSW PARADER**

The first placegetter from each heat shall parade for the Champion RAS/AgShows NSW Parader.

The second placegetter from the heat won by the Champion RAS/AgShows NSW Parader, is then judged with the remaining first placegetters for the Reserve Champion RAS/AgShows NSW Parader.

Prizes 1st \$70, 2nd \$35 and ribbons.

**The Michael Allen Memorial Perpetual Trophy, donated by the Stock and Station Agents Association Ltd (Australian Livestock & Property Agents Association), for the Champion RAS/AgShows NSW Parader.**

AgShows NSW Plaque presented to the Champion RAS/AgShows NSW Parader.

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| <b>Conditions</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Competitors qualify via an AgShows NSW Group Final, to be conducted during the previous 12 months.</li> <li>• <b>Competitors in F002 shall lead a Junior Heifer or Steer.</b></li> <li>• Competitors can compete in multiple Group Finals unless already qualified for that particular Competition. If already qualified, they are eligible to enter for practice only, but shall inform the organisers before Competition begins.</li> <li>• All results of Group Finals shall be forwarded (including a full list of Competitors) to the AGSHOWS NSW as soon as possible.</li> <li>• Finalists to progress to Class F002 at the Sydney Royal Easter Show shall be chosen on the number of Competitors in a Group Final.</li> <li>• The number to compete in the RAS/AgShows NSW Beef Cattle Paraders' Final shall be:           <table style="margin-left: 20px;"> <tr> <td>1 to 10 entries</td> <td>3 to compete</td> </tr> <tr> <td>11 to 20 entries</td> <td>6 to compete</td> </tr> <tr> <td>21 to 30 entries</td> <td>9 to compete</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over 30 entries</td> <td>10 to compete</td> </tr> </table> </li> <li>• Individual AgShows NSW Groups shall determine where Group Finals shall be held.</li> <li>• Heats shall be determined on the number of entries; ribbons shall be presented to the placegetters in each heat.</li> <li>• A winner of two F002 Championships shall not be eligible for future Competition in F002.</li> <li>• <b>As per AgShows NSW Guidelines, in order to be eligible to proceed to the ASA National Beef Cattle Paraders' Championship, Competitors shall be 15 and under 25 years of age on 1st May in the year of the Competitors State Final. Competitors under the age of 18 shall be accompanied by a chaperone.</b></li> <li>• <b>Should the Grand Champion Parader not be of eligible age to compete for the ASA National Beef Cattle Paraders' Championship, the next placed Competitor of eligible age shall be the NSW Representative for that Competition.</b></li> </ul> | 1 to 10 entries | 3 to compete | 11 to 20 entries | 6 to compete | 21 to 30 entries | 9 to compete | Over 30 entries | 10 to compete |
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| 11 to 20 entries   | 6 to compete   |                 |              |                  |              |                  |              |                 |               |
| 21 to 30 entries   | 9 to compete   |                 |              |                  |              |                  |              |                 |               |
| Over 30 entries  | 10 to compete  |                 |              |                  |              |                  |              |                 |               |
| <p><b>Closing Day Of Entry</b> THROUGH AGSHOWS NSW</p> <p><b>Entry Fee</b> FREE</p> <p><b>Judging Day</b> WEDNESDAY 1 APRIL 2026</p> |  |                 |              |                  |              |                  |              |                 |               |

**OPEN PARADERS' COMPETITION (F003)**

Open Paraders' Competition - 19 years and under 25 years (Date of birth taken as at 1 May 2026).

**CHAMPION AND RESERVE CHAMPION OPEN PARADER**

The first placegetter from each heat shall parade for this prize.

The second placegetter from the heat won by the Champion Open Parader, is then judged with the remaining first placegetters for the Reserve Champion Open Parader.

Prizes 1st \$70, 2nd \$35 and ribbons.

**The Bobby Gregory Perpetual Trophy, donated by Booroomooka and Ben Nevis, for the Champion Open Parader.**

AgShows NSW Plaque presented to the Champion Open Parader.

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| <b>Conditions</b>           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Competitors in F003 shall lead a Bull, any age.</b></li> <li>• Heats shall be determined on the number of entries; ribbons shall be presented to the placegetters in each heat.</li> <li>• A winner of two F003 Championships shall not be eligible for future Competition in F003.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Closing Day Of Entry</b> | 12 NOON, TUESDAY 31 MARCH 2026   |
| <b>Entry Fee</b>            | FREE   |
| <b>Judging Day</b>          | WEDNESDAY 1 APRIL 2026   |

**GRAND CHAMPION PARADER STATE FINAL**

The winners of F001, F002 and F003 shall parade for this prize.

Prize \$100 and ribbon.

**The Patrick Keast Memorial Perpetual Trophy, donated by Beverley & Fleur Keast, for the Grand Champion Beef Cattle Parader.**

AgShows NSW Plaque presented to the Grand Champion Parader.

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| <b>Conditions</b>       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• As per AgShows NSW Guidelines, in order to be eligible to proceed to the ASA National Beef Cattle Paraders' Championship, Competitors shall be 15 and under 25 years of age on 1st May in the year of the Competitors State Final, and reside in NSW.</li> <li>• Competitors under the age of 18 shall be accompanied by a chaperone.</li> <li>• Should the Grand Champion Parader not be of eligible age to compete for the ASA National Beef Cattle Paraders' Championship, the next placed Competitor of eligible age shall be the NSW Representative for that Competition.</li> <li>• Competitors are ineligible to compete a second time at the ASA National Beef Cattle Paraders' Championship after winning the final of the National ASA Beef Cattle Paraders' Championship.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Judging Day</b>      | WEDNESDAY 1 APRIL 2026   |
| <b>Previous Winners</b> | <p>2025 - Jack Smyth<br/>     2024 - Miley O'Brien<br/>     2023 - Sarah Rayner<br/>     2000 - Commencement</p>   |

## THE RAS/AGSHOWS NSW DAIRY CATTLE YOUNG JUDGES COMPETITION STATE FINAL

**Judging Day:** Saturday 11 April 2026

**Venue:** Cattle Lawns

**Prizes:** Champion \$500 supported by Royal Agricultural Society of NSW, for a Study Tour of the Champions choice (to be awarded on the provision of documentation regarding the use of the prize towards the Study Tour and the presentation of a report to the RAS at the conclusion of the tour).

Reserve Champion \$125, 3rd Place \$75 supported by Royal Agricultural Society of NSW.

The Champion also receives an AgShows NSW Plaque and all participating finalists from AgShows NSW receive a \$50 gift card provided by AgShows NSW.

The Competition will be conducted as follows:

1. Three Classes of cattle with four Exhibits in each Class will be judged in the Competition.
2. Eight minutes will be allowed for the judging in each Class.
3. Maximum score for the Competition shall be 200 points, 50 for each of the three Classes and 50 for the Oral Section.

4. The oral Class of 4 animals will be nominated by the Competition Judge before judging commences. Each competitor in the oral Class is allowed two minutes for ringcraft and speaking. If the competitor finishes in less than this time, but has said all that was needed to support their case, they should not be penalised. On the other hand, once the two minutes has been reached, 1 mark per 10 seconds or part thereof will be deducted from the total score by the stewards.

### Previous Winners:

- 2025 - Rhylan Russell
- 2024 - Macs Rubain
- 2023 - Macs Rubain
- 2022 - Elly Simms
- 2021 - Brittany Legge
- 2020 - No Competition
- 2019 - Mitchell Atkins
- 2018 - Mitchell Atkins
- 2017 - Tailem Brown
- 2016 - Brooke Hewitt
- 1981 - Commencement

**DAIRY CATTLE PARADERS' COMPETITIONS**

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| <b>Dress Code</b>  | Competitors shall wear white shirt, white trousers and tie, white dustcoats or approved breed uniform.  |
| <b>Closing Day Of Entry</b>  | 12 NOON, FRIDAY 10 APRIL 2026   |
| <b>Entry Fee</b>   | FREE  |
| <b>Judging Day</b>   | SATURDAY 11 April 2026  |
| <b>Conditions</b>  | <p>These Competitions are for the purpose of educating and encouraging cattle Exhibitors, Attendants and assistants to parade Exhibits before a Judge in the most efficient manner.</p> <p>Cattle selected must all be under 3 years of age and not in milk.</p> <p>One Judge shall decide all Competitions.</p> <p>Each Competitor shall be allotted a number which must be worn in each Class, and in the Championship judging.</p> |
| <b>CLASS 800 - Dairy Paraders' Competition - 8 years and under 10 years (as at 1 May 2026).</b>  |   |
| Competitor must be accompanied by an adult.  |   |
| <b>The winner shall be ineligible to compete for the Champion Parader.</b>   |   |
| <b>CLASS 801 - Dairy Paraders' Competition - 10 years and under 13 years (as at 1 May 2026).</b>   |   |
| The winner shall be eligible to compete for the Champion Parader.  |   |
| <b>CLASS 802 - Dairy Paraders' Competition - 13 years and under 15 years (as at 1 May 2026).</b>   |   |
| The winner shall be eligible to compete for the Champion Parader.  |   |
| <b>CLASS 803 - Dairy Paraders' Competition - 15 years and under 17 years (as at 1 May 2026).</b>   |   |
| The winner shall be eligible to compete for the Champion Parader.  |   |
| <b>CLASS 804 - Dairy Paraders' Competition - 17 years and under 19 years (as at 1 May 2026).</b>   |   |
| The winner shall be eligible to compete for the Champion Parader.  |   |
| <b>CLASS 805 - Dairy Paraders' Competition - 19 years and under 25 years (as at 1 May 2026).</b>   |   |
| The winner shall be eligible to compete for the Champion Parader.  |   |
| <b>(S806) - CHAMPION PARADER</b>   |   |
| All previous winners will be eligible to compete.  |   |
| The Champion Parader shall be selected from the winners of Class 801 to 805.   |   |
| Champion ribbon.   |   |
| Prize \$100  |   |
| As per Ag Shows NSW Guidelines, in order to be eligible to proceed to the ASA National Dairy Cattle Paraders' Championship, Competitors shall be 15 and under 25 years of age on 1st May in the year of the Competitors State Final and reside in NSW. |   |
| Competitors under the age of 18 shall be accompanied by a chaperone.   |   |
| Should the Grand Champion Parader not be of eligible age to compete for the ASA National Dairy Cattle Paraders' Championship, the next placed NSW Competitor of eligible age shall be the NSW representative for that Competition.                     |   |
| AgShows NSW Plaque presented to the Champion Parader.  |   |
| <b>Previous Winners</b>  | <p>2024 - Alexis Allen</p> <p>2023 - Sienna Ross</p> <p>2022 - Anna Dickson</p> <p>1950 - Commencement</p>  |

## GOAT

### ENQUIRIES TO:

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 Royal Agricultural Society of NSW  
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Website: <https://www.rasnsw.com.au/competitions/youth/young-judges-details/>

### APPLICATIONS FOR ENTRY

**Applications for Entry will be online. There will be no offline processing facility for Competitions.**

To enter, visit <https://www.rasnsw.com.au/competitions/youth/young-judges-details/>

#### **Applications for Entry for the Dairy Goat Competition must be submitted online by 2pm Wednesday 1 April**

Competitors who submit their entries prior to Monday 16 March will be posted an access ticket. Competitors who complete their entry for this Competition between Monday 16 March and Wednesday 1 April will be emailed a digital ticket.

#### **Applications for Entry for the Angora Goat Competition must be submitted online by 2pm, Sunday 5 April 2026**

Competitors who submit their entries prior to Monday 16 March will be posted an access ticket. Competitors who complete their entry for this Competition between Monday 16 March and Sunday 5 April 2026, will be emailed a digital ticket

#### **Applications for Entry for the Boer Goat Competition must be submitted online by 1pm, Saturday 11 April 2026**

Competitors who submit their entries prior to Monday 16 March will be posted an access ticket. Competitors who complete their entry for this Competition between Monday 16 March and Saturday 11 April 2026 will be emailed a digital ticket.

### THE RAS DAIRY GOAT YOUNG JUDGES COMPETITION STATE FINAL

**Judging Day:** Friday 3 April 2026

**Venue:** Pig & Goat (Paddington) Pavilion

**Prizes:** Champion \$100, Reserve Champion \$75, 3rd Place \$50 supported by Royal Agricultural Society of NSW.

Conditions applicable to this Competition (Please refer to the above website for a full copy of the Rules, Procedures and Guidelines):

#### **Conditions applicable to this Competition**

Competitors must be at least 11 years of age and under 25 years of age, as at 1 May 2026.

#### **The Competition will be conducted as follows:**

1. Two Classes of Dairy Goats will be judged.
2. Maximum score for the Competition shall be 170 points, 50 for visual appraisal for each Class; 20 for Judging Technique Assessment and 50 for the Oral Section.
3. Competitors will be allowed 10 minutes to judge each Class and complete the visual judging cards.
4. The oral Class of 4 animals will be nominated by the Competition Judge before judging commences. Each competitor in the oral Class is allowed two minutes for ringcraft and speaking

#### **Previous Winners:**

2023 to 2025 - No Competition

2022 - Luke Meredith

2021 - Eliza Scott

2020 - No Competition

2019 - Ben Kavanagh

2018 - Mae Danen

2017 - Renee Taylor

2016 - Renee Taylor

1994 - Commencement

### THE RAS ANGORA GOAT AND MOHAIR YOUNG JUDGES COMPETITION STATE FINAL

**Judging Day:** Tuesday 7 April 2026

**Venue:** Pig & Goat (Paddington) Pavilion

**Prizes:** Champion \$100, Reserve Champion \$75, 3rd Place \$50 supported by Royal Agricultural Society of NSW.

Annual Trophy for the Champion supported by Mohair Australia NSW Division.

#### **Conditions applicable to this Competition.**

Competitors must be at least 11 years of age and under 25 years of age, as at 1 May 2026.

#### **The Competition will be conducted as follows:**

1. One Class of four animals and one Class of four fleeces will be judged in the Competition.
2. Maximum score for the Competition shall be 170 points, 50 for visual appraisal for each Class; 10 for Judging Technique Assessment for each Class and 50 for the Oral Section.
3. Competitors will be allowed 10 minutes to judge and complete the visual judging card for each Class.
4. The oral Class will be nominated by the Competition Judge before judging commences. Each competitor in the oral Class is allowed two minutes for ringcraft and speaking.

#### **Previous Winners:**

2025 - Amy Turner

2024 - Heather Walker

2023 - Adam Moloney

2022 - Tareva-Chine Atkin-Zaldivar

2021 - Natalie Rizkallah

2020 - No Competition

2019 - Alex Miller

2018 - Tareva-Chine Atkin-Zaldivar

2017 - Elanor Santolin

2016 - Merryn Bowman

1993 - Commencement

## THE RAS BOER GOAT YOUNG JUDGES COMPETITION

**Judging Day:** Monday 13 April 2026

**Venue:** Pig & Goat (Paddington) Pavilion

**Prizes:** Champion \$100, Reserve Champion \$75, 3rd Place \$50 supported by Royal Agricultural Society of NSW.

The Champions name will be inscribed on the NZ Boers International Trophy.

### Conditions applicable to this Competition.

Competitors must be at least 11 years of age and under 25 years of age, as at 1 May 2026.

### The Competition will be conducted as follows:

1. Two Classes of Boer Goats will be judged.
2. Maximum score for the Competition shall be 150 points, 50 for each of the two Classes and 50 for the Oral Section.
3. Competitors will be allowed 10 minutes to judge each Class and complete the visual judging cards.

4. The oral Class of 4 animals will be nominated by the Competition Judge before judging commences. Each competitor in the oral Class is allowed two minutes for ringcraft and speaking

### Previous Winners:

2025 - Declan Kavanagh

2024 - Abbey Taylor

2023 - Ben Kavanagh

2022 - Ben Kavanagh

2021 - Jakob Foley-Gallagher

2020 - No Competition

2019 - Ninoska Birchall

2018 - Jessica Hawker

2017 - James Tanzil

2016 - Teizha Mears

2002 - Commencement

# HORSE

## COMPETITOR ASSEMBLY POINT:

Competitors are to assemble at the Horse Section office 30 minutes prior to each of the Competitions

Applications for Entry must be submitted online by Monday 16 March 2026

### THE RAS/AUSTRALIAN STOCK HORSE SOCIETY AUSTRALIAN STOCK HORSE YOUNG JUDGES COMPETITION STATE FINAL

#### ENQUIRIES TO:

Mrs Vicki Mascord  
PO Box 355  
Penrith NSW 2751  
Telephone: 0427 460 920  
Email: vicki.mascord@hotmail.com

#### APPLICATIONS FOR ENTRY

Applications for Entry are online. There are no offline processing facility for Competitions. To enter, visit

<https://www.rasnsw.com.au/competitions/youth/young-judges-details/>

**Judging Day:** Saturday 4 April 2026

**Venue:** ENGIE Stadium

**Prizes:** Champion \$100, Reserve Champion \$75, 3rd Place \$50 supported by Royal Agricultural Society of NSW.

The Gavin Family Annual Trophy for the Champion.

The Glen Lee ASH Stud Annual Trophy for the Reserve Champion.

#### Conditions applicable to this Competition (Please refer to the above Society for a full copy of the Rules, Procedures and Guidelines):

This Competition is open to the winners of the Branch Competitions. (Maximum limit 20 Competitors). Competitors must be at least 15 years of age and not yet reached their 21st birthday, as at the first day of the 2026 Show.

The Competition will be conducted as follows:

1. One Class of four led Australian Stock Horses will be presented before the Competitors, allowing two minutes per horse.
2. Each horse will then be given a short workout to allow the Competitors to make their final placing.
3. Maximum score for the Competition shall be 100 points, 50 points for their horse placing and 50 points for the Oral Section.
4. Each Competitor in the Oral Class is allowed 2 minutes to explain the reason for their placings.

**Dress:** Light coloured, long sleeved shirt with collar; Australian Stock Horse green tie; Australian Stock Horse long sleeved, green V-neck pullover; White or fawn coloured jodhpurs or (light coloured) stockman cut trousers; short, elastic sided riding boots (black or brown leather); An Australian style felt hat for men or ladies equivalent must be worn.

#### Previous Winners:

2025 - Lucy Mae Goodyer  
2024 - Meghan Meyers  
2023 - Holly Burgess  
2022 - Sophie Grainger  
2021 - Tiffany Allomes  
2020 - No Competition  
2019 - Lachlan Moore  
2018 - Brad Daunt  
2017 - Jessica Afflick  
2016 - Sarah Moore  
1983 - Commencement

### THE RAS/AUSTRALIAN STOCK HORSE SOCIETY AUSTRALIAN STOCK HORSE YOUNG JUDGES COMPETITION NATIONAL FINAL

#### ENQUIRIES TO:

The Sports & Events Officer  
Australian Stock Horse Society Ltd  
48 Guernsey St  
Scone NSW 2337  
Telephone: 02 6545 1122  
Email: events@ashs.com.au

#### APPLICATIONS FOR ENTRY

Applications for Entry are online. There are no offline processing facility for Competitions. To enter, visit

<https://www.rasnsw.com.au/competitions/youth/young-judges-details/>

**Judging Day:** Saturday 4 April 2026

**Venue:** ENGIE Stadium

**Prizes:** Champion \$100, Reserve Champion \$75, 3rd Place \$50 supported by Royal Agricultural Society of NSW.

The Champions name will be inscribed on the "Australian Stock Horse Society General Managers Trophy". Ownership of this trophy will remain with the Australian Stock Horse Society.

The Eurella Stud Annual Trophy for the Reserve Champion.

#### Conditions applicable to this Competition (Please refer to the above Society for a full copy of the Rules, Procedures and Guidelines):

This Competition is open to the winners of the State Competition.

The Competition will be conducted as follows:

1. One Class of led Australian Stock Horses will be presented before the Competition Judges, allowing two minutes per horse.
2. Each horse will then be given a short workout to allow the Competitors to make their final placing.
3. Maximum score for the Competition shall be 100 points, 50 points for their horse placing and 50 points for the Oral Section.
4. Each Competitor in the Oral Class is allowed 2 minutes to explain the reason for their placings.

**Dress:** Light coloured, long sleeved shirt with collar; Australian Stock Horse green tie; Australian Stock Horse long sleeved, green V-neck pullover; White or fawn coloured jodhpurs or (light coloured) stockman cut trousers; short, elastic sided riding boots (black or brown leather); An Australian style felt hat for men or ladies equivalent must be worn.

#### Previous Winners:

2025 - Megan Meyers  
2024 - Aliana Rogers, QLD  
2023 - Maddison Collins  
2022 - Sarah Price  
2021 - Claire Nitschke  
2020 - No Competition  
2019 - Brad Daunt  
2018 - Darby Ryan  
2017 - Sarah Moore, NSW  
2016 - Joelle Lindsay, QLD  
1996 - Commencement

**THE RAS/AUSTRALIAN PONY STUD BOOK SOCIETY  
YOUNG JUDGES COMPETITION STATE FINAL  
(2026 - AUSTRALIAN PONIES)**

**ENQUIRIES TO:**

Jo Vella  
Australian Pony Stud Book Society  
(NSW Branch)  
195 Martins Road, Badgerys Creek 2555  
Telephone: 0405 764 166  
Email: [joannevella@live.com.au](mailto:joannevella@live.com.au)

**APPLICATIONS FOR ENTRY**

Applications for Entry will be online. There will be no offline processing facility for Competitions. To enter, visit  
<https://www.rasnsw.com.au/competitions/youth/young-judges-details/>

**Judging Day:** Monday 13 April 2026

**Venue:** ENGIE Stadium - Ring 3

**Prizes:** Champion \$100, Reserve Champion \$75, 3rd Place \$50 supported by Royal Agricultural Society of NSW.

Annual Trophy for the Champion, Reserve Champion and 3rd Place supported by Australian Pony Stud Book Society NSW Branch.

**Conditions applicable to this Competition (Please refer to the above Society for a full copy of the Rules, Procedures and Guidelines):**

This Competition is open to 1st, 2nd and 3rd placegetters, with no more than three in total, from Zone Finals conducted by the Australian Pony Stud Book Society. (Maximum limit 20 Competitors)

The Competition will be conducted as follows:

1. One Class of four Ponies will be judged in the Competition.
2. Competitors will be allowed 12 minutes to judge the four Exhibits and 3 minutes to complete the visual judging card and 'Reason' card.
3. Maximum score for the Competition shall be 120 points, 50 for visual appraisal of the Class; 20 for Judging Technique Assessment and 50 for the Oral Section.

**Dress:** Competitors must be neatly attired in riding attire or clothing deemed appropriate for judging a pony Class.

**Previous Winners:**

2025 - Arabella Whitby  
2024 - Mikaela Armstrong  
2023 - Madison Walters  
2022 - Charlotte Fouracre  
2021 - Lee Stubbs  
2020 - No Competition  
2019 - Rebekah Hogan  
2018 - Bronte Talbot  
2017 - Rebekah Hogan  
2016 - Leanna Haines  
1990 - Commencement

## HORTICULTURE

### ENQUIRIES TO:

Agricultural Youth Initiatives Manager  
 Royal Agricultural Society of NSW  
 Locked Bag 4317  
 SYDNEY OLYMPIC PARK NSW 2127  
 Telephone: 02 9704 1160  
 Email: Email: agrilink@rasnsw.com.au

Website: <https://www.rasnsw.com.au/competitions/youth/young-judges-details/>

### APPLICATIONS FOR ENTRY

**Applications for Entry will be online. There will be no offline processing facility for Competitions.**  
 To enter, visit <https://www.rasnsw.com.au/competitions/youth/young-judges-details/>

**Applications for Entry must be submitted online by 8.30am, Friday 3 April 2026.**

**Competitors who submit their entries prior to Monday 16 March will be posted an access ticket. Competitors who submit their entry for this Competition between Monday 16 March and Friday 3 April 2026, will be emailed a digital ticket.**

### THE RAS HORTICULTURE YOUNG JUDGES COMPETITION

**Judging Day:** Sunday 5 April 2026

**Venue:** Flower & Garden (Southee) Pavilion

**This Competition takes place prior to normal Pavillion opening hours. Competitors are to wait at the pavilion main entrance and a Competition official will allow all competitors access to the pavilion 5 minutes prior to Competition start time.**

**Prizes:** Champion \$100, Reserve Champion \$50, 3rd Place \$50 supported by Royal Agricultural Society of NSW.

Reserve Champion \$25, supported by Gary Hart.

\$50 Product Prize for the Champion supported by Mr Fothergill's Seeds Pty Ltd.

**Conditions applicable to this Competition (Please refer to the above website for a full copy of the Rules, Procedures and Guidelines):**

This Competition is for the purpose of educating and encouraging future Judges within the horticulture industry.

The Competition is open to a limit of 18 Competitors who have been formally nominated by an agricultural Show society, high school providing for agricultural studies, or Horticulture Society or Association.

If more than 18 nominations are received prior to the closing date of nomination, an assessment may be held to determine the 18 Competitors.

The Competition will be conducted as follows:

1. Three Classes of flowers of different species with four Exhibits in each Class will be judged in the Competition.
2. Six minutes are allowed for each Class.
3. Maximum score for the Competition shall be 200 points: 50 for the correct placement of Exhibits in each of the three Classes and 50 for the Oral Section.
4. Prior to judging each Competitor will nominate their choice for Oral judging. Each Competitor in the Oral Class is allowed 2 minutes to explain the reason for their placing.

### Previous Winners:

- 2025 - Jessica Kernahan
- 2024 - Declan Kavanagh
- 2023 - Ben Kavanagh
- 2022 - Ben Kavanagh
- 2021 - Cooper Boffo
- 2020 - No Competition
- 2019 - Christie Hayward
- 2018 - Christie Hayward
- 2017 - Katy Armson-Graham
- 2016 - Nathan Wint Zaw
- 2005 - Commencement

## PIG

### ENQUIRIES TO:

Agricultural Youth Initiatives Manager  
Royal Agricultural Society of NSW  
Locked Bag 4317  
SYDNEY OLYMPIC PARK NSW 2127  
Telephone: 02 9704 1160  
Email: agrilink@rasnsw.com.au

Website: <https://www.rasnsw.com.au/competitions/youth/young-judges-details/>

### APPLICATIONS FOR ENTRY

**Applications for Entry will be online. There will be no offline processing facility for Competitions.**  
To enter, visit <https://www.rasnsw.com.au/competitions/youth/young-judges-details/>

**Applications for Entry must be submitted online by 9am, Friday 3 April 2026**

**Competitors who submit their entries prior to Monday 16 March will be posted an access ticket. Competitors who submit their entry for this Competition between Monday 16 March and Friday 3 April 2026, will be emailed a digital ticket.**

### THE RAS PIG YOUNG JUDGES COMPETITION STATE FINAL

**Judging Day:** Sunday 5 April 2026

**Venue:** Pig & Goat (Paddington) Pavilion

**Prizes:** Champion \$100, Reserve Champion \$75, 3rd Place \$50 supported by Royal Agricultural Society of NSW.

The Champions name will be inscribed on the "Campbell Maynard Trophy". Ownership of this trophy will remain with the Australian Pig Breeders Association NSW Branch.

**Conditions applicable to this Competition (Please refer to the above-mentioned website for a full copy of the Rules, Procedures and Guidelines):**

The Competition will be conducted as follows:

1. Two Classes of four Pigs are judged by Competitors.
2. Maximum score for the Competition shall be 150 points, 50 for each of the two Classes and 50 for the Oral Section.
3. Competitors will be allowed 10 minutes to judge each Class.
4. The oral Class of 4 animals will be nominated by the Competition Judge before judging commences. Each Competitor in the oral Class is allowed 2 minutes to explain the reason for their placings.

### Previous Winners:

2025 - Eva Bouzianis  
2024 - Emily Clunes  
2023 - Emily Capra  
2022 - No Competition  
2021 - David Batt  
2020 - No Competition  
2019 - Jack Cole  
2018 - Eleanor Santolin  
2017 - Chelsea Devenish  
2016 - Tara Arduin  
1987 - Commencement

## POULTRY

### ENQUIRIES TO:

AGSHOWS NSW

PO BOX 1047

Hunters Hill 2110

Telephone: (02) 9879 6777

Email: [katie.stanley@ascofnsw.org.au](mailto:katie.stanley@ascofnsw.org.au)

Website: <http://www.agshowsnsw.org.au/index.php/competitions/group-finals>

### APPLICATIONS FOR ENTRY

Applications for Entry will be online. There will be no offline processing facility for Competitions.

To enter, visit <https://www.rasnsw.com.au/competitions/youth/young-judges-details/>

**Qualifying Competitors will be emailed a qualifier code from AgShows NSW or the Exhibition Poultry Association of NSW Inc to enable them to submit their Application for Entry.**

**Applications for Entry must be submitted online by Monday 16 March 2026**

**Dress:** Competitors must be neatly attired, a dust coat must be worn and males must wear a tie. Points will be deducted for poor presentation.

**Conditions applicable to this Competition (Please refer to the above website for a full copy of the Rules, Procedures and Guidelines):**

This Competitions are open to the 1st and 2nd placegetters from Group Final Competitions held by country show societies under the auspices of the AgShows NSW.

### THE RAS/AGSHOWS NSW POULTRY YOUNG JUDGES COMPETITION STATE FINAL

**Judging Day:** Saturday 4 April 2026

**Venue:** Poultry & Pigeon (Bruce Pavilion)

The winner of the RAS/AgShows NSW Poultry Young Judges State Final will be eligible to compete in the National Agricultural Shows Australia Poultry Young Judges Championship.

**Prizes:** Champion \$200, Reserve Champion \$100, 3rd Place \$60 supported by Exhibition Poultry Association of NSW Inc.

The Bruce Raines Memorial Annual Trophy for the Champion, supported by Exhibition Poultry Association of NSW Inc.

Champion \$300, Reserve Champion \$25, 3rd Place \$15 supported by Royal Agricultural Society of NSW.

The Champion also receives an AgShows NSW Plaque and all participating finalists from AgShows NSW receive a \$50 gift card provided by AgShows NSW.

**Conditions applicable to these Competitions (Please refer to the above website for a full copy of the Rules, Procedures and Guidelines):**

The Competition will be conducted as follows:

- Three Classes of four birds are to be judged by all Competitors - Waterfowl, Hardfeather and Softfeather.
- Visual / Physical judging will take place first. Competitors will be allowed eight (8) minutes to judge the four (4) birds and to complete each Visual/ Physical Judging Card.

- Prior to judging each Competitor will nominate their choice for Oral judging. Each Competitor in the Oral Class is allowed two (2) minutes to speak, explaining their placing from their nominated group of birds. Penalty points apply - One (1) point should be deducted for every ten (10) seconds or part thereof over the allotted two (2) minutes.
- The winner of the Competition is marked out of a maximum of two hundred (275) points: fifty (50) points for the placings in each of the three (3) Classes, ten (25) points for the handling of each of the three Classes and fifty (50) points for the Oral Class.
- The judging criteria to be used shall be the Australian Poultry Breed Standards (2nd edition).

### Previous Winners:

2025 - Bryson Lee

2024 - Hamish Stanford

2023 - Kollah Cannon

2022 - Logan Ockers

2021 - Georgia Kirkby

2020 - No Competition

2019 - Olivia Broughton

2018 - Hannah Jenkins

2017 - Claire Blayney

2016 - Ryan McParland

1993 - Commencement

## SHEEP

### ENQUIRIES TO:

AGSHOWS NSW

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Website: <http://www.agshowsnsw.org.au/index.php/competitions/group-finals>

### APPLICATIONS FOR ENTRY

Applications for Entry will be online. There will be no offline processing facility for Competitions.

To enter, visit <https://www.rasnsw.com.au/competitions/youth/young-judges-details/>

**Approved Competitors will be emailed a qualifier code from AgShows NSW to complete their Application for Entry.**

**Applications for Entry must be submitted online by Monday 16 March 2026**

**Venue:** Sheep & Wool (Cox) Pavilion

**Dress:** Competitors must be neatly attired and males must wear a tie. Points will be deducted for poor presentation. Coats may be removed whilst handling the Exhibit. Hats are optional and may be removed when coats are removed.

**Conditions applicable to this Competition (Please refer to the above website for a full copy of the Rules, Procedures and Guidelines):**

These Competitions are open to the 1st and 2nd placegetters from Group Final Competitions held by country show societies under the auspices of the AgShows NSW.

### THE RAS/AGSHOWS NSW MEAT BREEDS SHEEP YOUNG JUDGES COMPETITION STATE FINAL

**Judging Day:** Sunday 5 April 2026

**Venue:** Sheep & Wool Pavilion

**Prizes:** Champion \$500, Reserve Champion \$125, 3rd Place \$75 supported by Royal Agricultural Society of NSW.

The Champion also receives an AgShows NSW Plaque and all participating finalists from AgShows NSW receive a \$50 gift card provided by AgShows NSW.

**Conditions applicable to this Competition:**

1. Two Classes, each of four animals, are judged by Competitors, one Class being of a Short Wool breed, and the other Class of a Long Wool breed. Competitors will be allowed eight minutes to judge each Class - five minutes standing, two minutes walking and one minute standing.
2. In this Competition, Competitors in the Oral Class are required to speak on BOTH Classes. Notes should not be referred to during the oral presentation.
3. Non-Oral Judging will take place first. As well as the Non-Oral Card, Competitors are provided with the Reason Card, for their use in noting the points of difference.
4. Each Competitor in the Oral section is allowed 4 minutes to explain the reasons for their placings in both Classes.
5. The winner of the Competition is marked out of a maximum of 200 points: out of 50 for placing each Non-Oral Class, out of 25 for handling each Non-Oral Class, and out of 50 for the Oral Class.

### Previous Winners:

2025 - Miranda McGifficke

2024 - Christine Sutton

2023 - Michelle Fairall

2022 - Megan Baker

2021 - Reece Webster

2020 - No Competition

2019 - Kieran Smith

2018 - Katelyn Grimmett

2017 - Joanna Balcombe

2016 - Emma Jane Lovell

2015 - Katelyn Grimmett

1985 - Commencement

## THE RAS/AGSHOWS NSW MERINO SHEEP YOUNG JUDGES COMPETITION STATE FINAL

**Judging Day:** Friday 10 April 2026

**Venue:** Sheep & Wool Pavilion

**Prizes:** Champion \$700, Reserve Champion \$200, 3rd Place \$100 supported by NSW Stud Merino Breeders' Association Ltd.

Annual Trophy for the Champion, Reserve Champion and 3rd Place supported by NSW Stud Merino Breeders' Association Ltd.

The Champions name will be inscribed on the "Sheep breeders Trophy". Ownership of this trophy will remain with the NSW Stud Merino Breeders' Association Ltd.

The Champion also receives an AgShows NSW Plaque and participating finalists from AgShows NSW receive a \$50 gift card provided by AgShows NSW.

**The Hugh Lydiard Memorial Perpetual Trophy**, donated in 2003 by the past employees of Egelabra Merino stud, in memory of Hugh Lydiard who provided many years of service as Judge and Steward at RES and encouraged young people within the industry. Awarded to the Champion of the RAS/AgShows NSW Merino Sheep Young Judges Competition State Final.

The Condobolin PAH & I Association will invite the Champion of the State Final to accompany the Judge as associate Judge at the 2025 Don Brown Memorial Merino Ewe Competition, Condobolin, to gain valuable experience. The Champion will be the guest of the Committee and with all expenses paid, supported by **Moses & Son, Woolbuyers of Condobolin, West Wyalong, Temora and Wagga Wagga**.

### Conditions applicable to this Competition:

This Competition is open to 1st place from Group Final Competitions held by country show societies under the auspices of AgShows NSW and four from the NSW Stud Merino Breeders Association Ltd.

The Competition will be conducted as follows:

1. Two Classes of four animals are judged by Competitors, usually one Class of ewes and one of rams. There are two Non-Oral Judging Classes and one Oral section. Competitors will be given twelve minutes to judge each Class - seven minutes standing, three minutes sitting and two minutes standing.
2. Non-Oral Judging will take place first. As well as the Non-Oral Card, Competitors are provided with the Reason Card, for their use in noting the points of difference. Notes should not be referred to during the oral presentation.
3. The winner of the Competition is marked out of a maximum of 200 points - 50 for placing each "Non-Oral Class", 50 for handling of animals in one "Non-Oral Class" and 50 for the "Oral Class".

### Previous Winners:

2025 - Luke Meredith

2024 - Bateson Pittman

2023 - Lindsay Brown

2022 - Patrick Davis

2021 - Campbell Rubie

2020 - No Competition

2019 - Jack Kelly

2018 - Jack Lawrence

2017 - Sam Phillips

2016 - Georgia Waters

1983 - Commencement

## THE RAS/AGSHOWS NSW MERINO FLEECE YOUNG JUDGES COMPETITION STATE FINAL

**Judging Day:** Friday 10 April 2026

**Venue:** Sheep & Wool Pavilion

**Prizes:** Champion \$500 supported by Schute Bell Badgery Lumby, for a study tour or approved educational program of the Champions choice (to be taken no more than 2 years from the date of the Competition and to be awarded on the provision of documentation regarding the use of the prize towards the study tour or educational program, and the presentation of a report to the RAS at the conclusion of the tour).

Reserve Champion \$125, 3rd Place \$75 supported by Royal Agricultural Society of NSW.

The Champion also receives an AgShows NSW Plaque and all participating finalists from AgShows NSW receive a \$50 gift card provided by AgShows NSW.

### Conditions applicable to this Competition:

1. Two Classes each of four merino fleeces will be judged. Fleeces used may, but not necessarily, have been exhibited at the Show in which the Judging Competition is held. Each fleece will be judged using the 1995 Scale of Points as issued by the National Council of Wool Selling Brokers of Australia, and placed in order of merit by the Competition Judge and the Competitors will use a Non-Oral Classes Card for each of the two Classes. Competitors will be allocated five minutes to judge each fleece.
2. Visual or Non-Oral Judging will take place first with competitors selecting which group of fleece samples they will speak on. As well as the Non-Oral Card, Competitors are provided with the Reason Card, for their use in noting the points of difference. Notes should not be referred to during the oral presentation.
3. The winner of the Competition is arrived at on points scored from a maximum of 200 points: 50 for the correct placement of Exhibits in each of the two Non-Oral Classes, 50 for their handling of fleeces in one Non-Oral Class and 50 for the Oral Class.

### Previous Winners:

2025 - Miranda McGufficke

2024 - Zara Kesby

2023 - Monte Barnes

2022 - Jessica Kastelein

2021 - Clarissa Peasley

2020 - No Competition

2019 - Stephanie Davies

2018 - James Gilmour

2017 - Jerod Blyton

2016 - Brooke Sewell

1992 - Commencement

**The Robt Talbott Award for the Overall Winner of the Sheep Young Judges RAS/AgShows NSW Competitions. Prize \$500****Conditions applicable to this Award:**

Competitors will be required to submit an application for this Award, prior to the Sydney Royal Competition. Applications will be provided to Competitors with the Entry Form after winning their respective Group final.

Competitors are to outline how they would best utilise the \$500 prize money if they were to win their respective State final and were successful at the interview. Those who can compose a well thought out plan as to how they would use the funds to further their education and training in the agricultural sector and/or sheep industry as a whole, will be looked upon most favourably.

The RAS/AgShows NSW Young Judges Sub Committee will review the applications and conduct the final interviews. The overall Award recipient will be notified and invited to the RAS Council lunch in May to be presented with their cheque.

**Previous Winners:**

2025 - Miranda McGufficke

2024 - Bateson Pittman

2023 - Not awarded

2022 - Megan Baker

2021 - Reece Webster

2020 - No Competition

2019 - Kieren Smith (Commencement)

The **George Bennett Perpetual Trophy**, donated by Friends of the late George Bennett OAM and the Australian Rural Youth Foundation, to be awarded to a Competitor in the Young Judges Competitions who has shown exemplary character and sportsmanship throughout the Young Judges Classes they participate in.

**Additional donors:**

- Castle Hill District Agricultural Society
- The Exhibition Poultry Association of NSW
- Bruce Bennett
- Hawkesbury Agricultural College Alumni Chapter Inc

**Conditions applicable to this Award:**

The George Bennett Perpetual Trophy is awarded annually to one Young Judges Competitor who exemplifies exceptional citizenship throughout their Competition. Selected by the Young Judges Supervisors, the recipient demonstrates integrity, respect, leadership, and a strong commitment to supporting peers and contributing positively to the Young Judges Competitions. This prestigious trophy honours the spirit of service and community that George Bennett OAM championed, recognising a Competitor whose character and conduct truly set them apart.

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## PERPETUAL TROPHIES

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The Perpetual Trophies are the most prestigious of all RAS Awards. They have a dual function in recognising superior effort in competition and commemorating people and organisations that have had a long and meritorious connection with the Society. Some of the trophies currently competed for were first won in 1911. Winners of Perpetual Trophies are permanently honoured, taking their place alongside past winners and becoming part of the ongoing tradition of the RAS.

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Enquiries regarding the donation of Perpetual Trophies should be directed to the RAS Heritage Centre.

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For more information about commercial opportunities available, please visit: [eastershow.com.au/about-us/partnership-opportunities](http://eastershow.com.au/about-us/partnership-opportunities) or contact [pbowd@rasnsw.com.au](mailto:pbowd@rasnsw.com.au)

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## SERVICE CENTRE

The Competitions Administration arm of the RAS Service Centre aims to provide an efficient and friendly service to our valuable customers. The Centre provides processing support and customer service in relation to Agricultural Competition Applications for Entry.

For enquiries regarding general competition information such as judging details, timetables, Competitor/Exhibitor confirmation packs, please visit [www.rasnsw.com.au](http://www.rasnsw.com.au) or contact the Event Manager responsible for your section.

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