

FCAQI NEWS

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President's Report

Well another show season has come to an end and hasn't it been enjoyable? Most shows have been well supported, from our Ag shows, club and feature shows right through to our Royal a few weeks ago. All of us at FCAQI have had a hugely busy time either involved in own shows, helping at others, showing or judging all the while trying to connect with as many clubs and fanciers as possible and hopefully getting a better picture of what is needed by you, our clubs and fanciers.

One of my many highlights this year was judging Atherton club show, my first trip to North Queensland and what a great group of dedicated, passionate poultry fanciers. They really know how to make someone feel welcome and it was great to hear how it's done in our more remote areas. Great insight and ideas that we will take on board.

I would like to thank the Queensland Royal Show (EKKA) for allowing FCAQI to be a part of this year's show. It is our states biggest poultry event so to be able to promote what we do to so many is a real bonus. We also held our second general FCAQI meeting for the year during EKKA to give our clubs and fanciers an opportunity outside the AGM to have a say. While it wasn't well supported we will continue to do this as we think it's important to get more interaction and input from clubs and delegates.

Some of the current issues we are seeing at the moment are show dates and venue clashes. New and existing clubs are trying to find suitable new dates and locations in a very full few months and trying not to impact on others. There is never a winner in all this and hard to know what the solution is. Consideration and communication with others would go a long way and if you think FCAQI can help please don't hesitate to contact us.

Now it all starts again, breeding season. I hope you all hatch plenty and produce plenty of champions for next year. Lastly, one more reminder, we are all in this fancy together so if anyone has any ideas, problems or concerns we would love to hear from you.

Peter Reinke

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"To promote in every way the breeding and exhibition of poultry by whatever means deemed necessary by the Association.

To assist in the improvement and maintenance of the Australian Poultry Standards and to recognise that these are the official standards used in the adjudication of domestic land fowl, waterfowl, guinea fowl, turkeys and eggs at shows within Queensland.

To undertake activities that preserve and promote the history and appreciation of the standard breeding and exhibition of poultry and aviculture and other ornithological pursuits."

FCAQI Constitution

Show Business – The Demonstration Class

How many of us have been to a show and seen a non-standard variety in an open class? Perhaps we've even seen a non-standard variety winning over a group of classes, beating the standard varieties. This puzzles and frustrates exhibitors.

Judges who understand the club's requirements to judge to the Australian Poultry Standards may also be put in the awkward situation of needing to wrong-class an entry incorrectly put into an open class when there is no Standard for it. This leads to embarrassed exhibitors who may not understand why this has happened.

Our club shows run under the banner of the Australian Poultry Standards and FCAQI-affiliated clubs agree to this

on joining the Association. On many club schedules, the reminder is there to be clearly read by those submitting entries – 'Judged to the Australian Poultry Standards'.

When non-standard entries go into open classes it puts the judge in a quandry and can lead to

disgruntled exhibitors. We should be seeing more use made of the demonstration class to cater for developmental varieties. They should not be entered or shown in open classes.

Definitions

Before looking more closely at the demonstration class, we need to clarify the following descriptions which are currently in frequent use, but often misunderstood:

AORC – Any breed that is included in the current Australian Poultry Standards in a colour that is listed in the Standard for that breed, but where the colour is not individually catered for in the show schedule.

AORV – Any breed or variety of a breed that is included in the current Australian Poultry Standards in a colour or variety that is listed in the Standard for that breed, but where that breed or variety is not individually catered for in the show schedule.

AOV – This is an abbreviation of AORV and is intended to mean the same. It does not include breeds or varieties outside of the current Australian Poultry Standards.

AOC – This is an abbreviation of AORC and is intended to mean the same. It does not include colours outside of those listed for that breed in the current Australian Poultry Standards.

AC – This includes an entry of any colour that is listed under the Standard for that breed in the current Australian Poultry Standards.







The Demonstration Class

Where exhibitors would like to enter a fowl of a breed that is included in the Australian Poultry Standards, but in a colour or variety that is not listed for that breed, then the demonstration class should be used. This class is useful for breeders who are in the process of establishing a new variety of an established breed, or even for the demonstration of a breed that is recognised in another country and for which a reputable Standard exists. It is part of the process of gaining acceptance for these new varieties or





breeds where examples are shown to the public and to the exhibition community. This class is not a class for hybrids or crossbreeds, but for new varieties or breeds that are currently not listed in our Standards.

Some of these new varieties and breeds may in time become part of the Australian Poultry Standards and clubs need to know how to include these entries in their shows in an appropriate way. This is necessary to adequately cater for the growing community of people who are working on projects like these.

Running the Demonstration Class

If a club is willing to host a demonstration class, including it in the schedule would help to inform exhibitors, but it is also possible for a club to simply respond to a request made by an exhibitor. The Chief Steward should confirm that the birds

being entered meet the requirements of the demonstration class. Nobody wants to see crossbreeds or random experiments displayed at club shows. Entries should be genuine breeds.

Exhibitors should be prepared to reference the existing Standard for the breed in question, whether that is in the British Poultry Standards, the American Poultry Standards or another country-of-origin's Standards.

FCAQI clubs run their shows under the current Australian Poultry Standards. Anything outside of that Standard cannot be eligible for higher awards. Demonstration or developmental entries are therefore not eligible for higher awards. A judge may rank them within the class and comment on them in relation to the relevant Standard.





As a judge is not required to judge any class outside of the Australian Poultry Standards, the judging of the demonstration class should be a matter for discussion and agreement between Chief Steward and the Judge well in advance of show, either at the time of the appointment or at the time when it becomes known that there will be entries in the class. A judge that has been informed of these entries should prepare himself to comment on them in an informed way by obtaining a copy of the relevant Standard and becoming familiar with it. The club should assist with this if necessary.

It would be sensible for the demonstration classes to be judged after the completion of the main show but before the deciding of Champion Bird. The majority of the judging has been completed and with good management, the judge doing the extra classes has a little time to complete the task. This timing

maintains the demonstration classes as a legitimate part of the event. At a suitable time after the

classes have been judged, it would be helpful for the judge to have a discussion with the exhibitor about the strengths and weakness of the birds presented and possibilities for future development.

If clubs are open to the possibility of using the demonstration class for developmental or new breeds or varieties, it may help minimise the problem of non-standard birds being incorrectly entered into open classes.



Written by Cathy Newton

2016 Show Calendar Advertising for your Club?

The 2016 Calendar will be going to print very soon and we are, once again, offering all our affiliated clubs the opportunity to have their advertising included. We are doing things a little differently this year compared to previous years. Adverts will no longer be displayed over each month. The months will instead show a series of poultry-themed photographs. Pages of advertising will be included at the back of the calendar. The following advertising spots will be available:

Whole Page Ad – 20 available - \$60 each Half Page Adv – unlimited number available - \$35 each

Please note that spaces for full page ads will be available at a strictly **first in first served** basis, so if you intend on purchasing a whole page ad, we suggest you get in quick. For further details and order form, contact the Secretary, Sonja Park by email on: <u>secretary@qldpoultry.com</u> or phone: 0400 243 819.

Judges Registrar's Report



We held an FCAQI workshop at the Rosewood Showgrounds earlier this year. We advertised it as an information day as well as being the compulsory stewards and judges presentation which is required for our current training program to become an

FCAQI judge. Well what a great day it was. We had around twenty attend including some well respected qualified judges whose input on the different aspects of the day was invaluable. It was so good to see some very passionate, eager participants who I feel gained some very valuable information that will help them in their progression towards becoming a judge.

Another highlight of the day was the half time

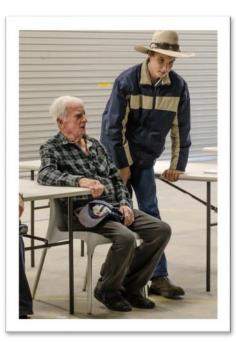
presentation by Owen Glover on how to apply the written standard to the bird. This probably isn't given much thought at first but it is one thing to learn what the standard says but to

understand what it actually means takes practice and experience. Everyone really enjoyed this presentation. Thank you Owen.

We are currently planning our next couple of workshops and are working out the best locations for these. It comes down to if there is enough numbers in an area we will try and get there so please let us know where you are if you want to attend one of our workshops.



What we have realised is every person who



wants to become a judge will also have different backgrounds and experience. This is why we need to be more flexible in our training and provide the right level of help that each person needs. This could include accompanying judges on judging appointments (with the show organiser's approval of course). Ag shows may be good for this where there is quite often more time to discuss the birds. Also having mentors accompany them on their first judging appointments could be a real help for confidence and experience. We saw a great example of this at North Pine show this year where they had two provisional judges and their mentors judging. Well done to North Pine. We are blessed in Queensland with many competent, well experienced judges who are only too willing to pass on their knowledge so if you have ever thought you might be interested in becoming a judge



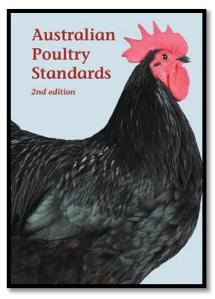


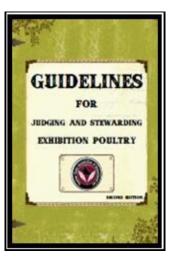
please contact us.

The current FCAQI judges register is getting updated as we speak so if you or anyone you know think you should be on it and aren't or if you have any changes to make please contact us as we are all about having a real, up to date list of competent judges.

Peter Reinke,

Judges Registrar.





FCAQI Guidelines for Judging & Stewarding

The 2nd edition of the Judging and Stewarding Guidelines is now available. A5 size and wire bound with 80 pages including colour photos and black and white illustrations. It is a significant upgrade on the first edition in terms of both text and quality of presentation. It includes the FCAQI Judges Code of Ethics, Judging Tips, Judging Online Ethics, Judging Waterfowl, Judging Eggs, Stewards and Their Important Role, Words of Wisdom from Esteemed Judges and notes about common defects and nomenclature.

We recommend this publication to all exhibitors, stewards and judges.

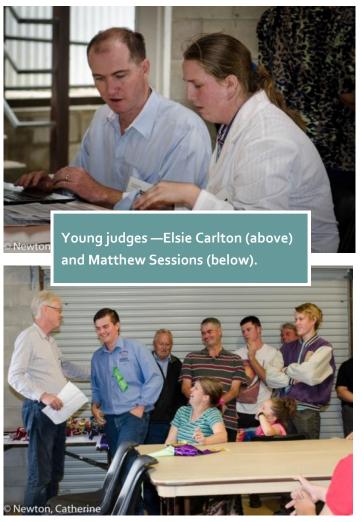
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The North Pine Poultry Club was founded in 2009 in response to the growing interest in heritage and pure breed poultry in Dayboro and surrounding districts. The club promotes the keeping, breeding and exhibition of heritage and purebreed poultry in a locality that is strongly populated by those escaping suburbia and looking for a lifestyle change in semirural areas.

The Club endeavours to tap into the potential for growth in poultry keepers and exhibitors in this area. It has provided a bridge between new backyard poultry keepers and established poultry exhibitors. As such, they have endeavoured to broaden the scope of their Annual Show to encourage a wide variety of breeds and invite the local community to participate while still maintaining the integrity of the traditional poultry exhibition and competition in accord with the Australian Poultry Standards.

The North Pine Poultry Club All Breeds Show, Sale & Expo was held on Sunday 17 May 2015. It featured the Rhode Island (sponsored by the Rhode island Club of Australia—Qld Branch) and Waterfowl.





Grand Champion Fowl of Show - Black Pekin Bantam - Sellin Family



Reserve Grand Champion Fowl of Show -Bantam Pit Game Cockerel - Adam Grady

Thanks to the Dayboro Show Society the event was able to be held in the main building which offers better facilities and allowed for a greater number of entries and a more relaxed environment. Many local business came forward to sponsor the event. Gary Taverner donated a handmade chicken tractor which was raffled along with a trio of Rhode Islands from Linda Jones and was a great hit. The Lawnton Poultry also offered support for the show.

Eighty-six Rhode Islands and thirty-five Water Fowl were entered in the features. The show hosted greater than 500 birds in total.

The Club took the opportunity to support the development of two new judges, Elsie Carlton (WF & Juniors) and Matthew Sessions (HF) who joined Damien Frith (SF) on the judging team with the support of mentors on the day.

The North Pine Club are well positioned to promote growth in poultry exhibition into the future.

Why Show Exhibition Poultry?

There are times when we all need to stop and remember why we participate in the hobby of breeding and showing exhibition poultry. We may have a variety of motivations but I'm sure we also have much in common.

For many of us gathering at poultry events is a time to catch up with friends and community. Some have grown up in it are continuing long family traditions. Poultry shows are often a chance to meet new people and make new friends that share the same passion.

Caring for animals at home gives us an opportunity to teach values and responsibility to our children. We show them how to take pride in their care and pay attention to detail. It becomes a huge part of our lives.



Eric Innes (RCBOS); Peter Reinke, Rosewood PC President; and Viv May (CBOS) Rosewood PC Annual Show 2015

Getting the birds prepared for show, transported to the venue and penned ready for judging is all part of the experience. We strive for excellence and take them along for an opportunity to compare them to those of our peers, gain expert opinions to guide future breeding, and compete for prizes that reward our hard and dedicated work. The comraderie in the poultry shed can be invigorating and intense at times but we all go back for more.

We have our favourite breeds and presenting fine examples at a show is an opportunity to promote the breed and do our part to improve it over the years. We meet up with fellow breed specialists and enjoy the mateship on the day.

Showing birds can be fun. It's a social outing where families can work toward something together. We get to conserve valuable and often rare genetics and show the birds we love off to the public.

At the end of the show, the judges confer, a Champion Bird is decided, hands are shaken and prizes awarded. We cheerfully congratulate the winner wholeheartedly on the well-earned win. A photographer may take pictures for the newsletters and the various websites. People pack up their birds and head back home again. It's over for the day, but there's always the next show.

Let's not forget the reasons why we love our birds, love to show and keep coming back.

Quality Eggs for the Incubator—Hatchability!

When our hatch rates are low even when conditions seem perfect during incubation, we need to go back to egg quality to see if improvements can be made. The quality of the eggs set can be a huge factor.

When collecting fertile eggs for incubating, bear the following in mind:

- A. Collect eggs in season when days are long and light.
- B. Breed from healthy birds.
- C. Feed breeders a top quality diet.
- D. Collect clean eggs from clean nests.
- E. Store eggs in cool dark place with pointed end down.
- F. Rotate stored eggs twice daily
- G. Highest hatchability is from eggs less than 7 days old.
- H. Eggs should be handled gently.

Just because an egg is fertile doesn't mean that it's going to hatch. Many eggs don't hatch because of incubation problems, but there's many more that don't hatch because they possess defects or deficiencies.

A poor quality egg cannot be improved after it is laid.

The quality of the egg can be affected by:

- 1. Age of parent breeders.
- 2. Genetic inheritance.
- 3. Health and environment (housing, season,

temperature, light intensity, weather, hygiene, parasites, diseases, medications)

Light: Light stimulates the commencement of breeding in most birds. The reproductive organs are affected and the entire metabolism of the hen is changed to make available the necessary constituents of the egg from her own body. Insufficient light can result in a poor quality egg.

Feed: Nutrition in the breeder is also a very important factor, as she must lay an egg that has everything in it that the developing embryo needs. The diet of the hen can affect this. The egg is made up of water, protein, fat, and vitamins and minerals and all of these come from the maternal diet. The hen needs the right



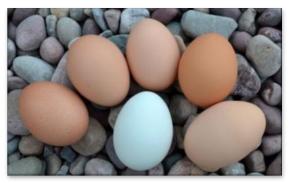
combination of carbohydrates, proteins, fats, vitamins and minerals to produce a good quality egg. If something is missing, she may still lay an egg of poor quality. Other factors such as stress can





cause deficiencies also.

Hygeine: Once a good quality egg is laid, they must be uncontaminated, clean and fresh. For optimum hatchability, nest boxes should be clean and dry and eggs collected frequently, dated and stored correctly. Washing can remove the protective bloom and reduce the egg's viability by providing an opportunity for germs to infiltrate the shell and infect the egg. If you have no



choice but to wash an egg, do it gently and quickly using water that is warmer than the egg and dry well before storing. It is better though, to dry clean by wiping with a towel to avoid wetting the egg. Never handle your eggs roughly or with dirty hands – to safeguard their health and hygiene use clean, dry hands and a gentle touch.

Storage: For optimal fertility, eggs that have been stored in a cool dark place with pointy end down, rotated daily, and are less than 7 days old are best. Longer storage – up to 14 days - is possible but requires cooler temperatures (10 - 17C). A practical method is to store them in an egg carton and rest one end on something to keep



it higher. Change when rotating. Choose regular sized well formed eggs. Eggs that are excessively large or small, cracked or irregular in any way will have lower hatchability and should not be selected for hatching.

Posted or transported eggs are not ideal, however, if you ordered your fertile eggs through the mail it is recommended by some to keep them still (pointy end down) for 12 to 24 hours to settle their air cells prior to being set in the incubator. It is preferable however to use eggs laid at home where you are able to control the quality of the feed and the condition and care of the egg. Home –



produced, top quality eggs produce the highest hatch rates.

Summarised from: 'The Incubation Book' by Anderson Brown and "Storey's Guide to Raising Poultry' by Leonard Mercia.

Show Results

Member Club Shows

(Affiliated Club Shows)

6 June 2015—Gympie Poultry Club Show

Champion Bird of Show: Harrison Sutton, Bantam Leghorn cockerel

Reserve Bird: Graham Prior, Bantam OEG Ch Bantam HF: Graham Prior, Bantam OEG Ch Bantam SF: Harrison Sutton, Bantam Leghorn cockerel Ch Large HF: Glen Williamson, OEG Blue Red cockerel Ch Large SF: Sutton Family, Langshan pullet Ch Large Heavy SF: Sutton Family, Langshan pullet Ch Large Light SF: Neville Ballinger, Leghorn pullet Ch Large OEG: Glen Williamson, OEG Blue Red cockerel Ch Large AOV: T&L Wolgast, Australian Pit game, Heavy clean face Ch Heavy SF Bantam: Neville Ballinger, white Wyandotte cockerel Ch Light SF Bantam: Harrison Sutton, Bantam Leghorn cockerel Ch Natural SF Bantam: Kacey Sutton, Rosecomb pullet Ch OEG Bantam: Graham Prior Ch Modern HF bantam: Barry Franklin, Black Red Ch AOV bantam: Luke King, Aust Pit game, clean face pullet Ch Exhibition Pair Overall: K&M Clifford

- Ch Pair Females Overall: K&M Clifford
- Champion Junior: Abby Hargreaves
- Reserve Junior: Montana Wolgast

Champion Waterfowl exhibit: Pam Window, Call duck

13 June 2015—State Wyandotte Show at Nanango

Champion Bird of Show— Bantam White Plt by G&J Sondergeld Reserve Champion Bird of Show—Bantam White Ckl by G&J Sondergeld Best Large—White Hen by Nicholls & Carlson AOC Laced—Blue Silver by Julie Lack Champion Exhibition Pair—Nicholls & Carlson

21 June 2015—Maryborough Annual Club Show

Grand Champion Bird of Show - Large Light Pit Game Pullet (Jack Fricke) Reserve Grand Champion Bird of Show - OEG Bantam Wheaten Black Tail Hen (K and M Clifford) Champion Large Softfeather - Large White Leghorn Hen (Ross Kerle)









Reserve Champion Large Softfeather - Large Black Australorp (Glenda Hurst)

Champion Large Hardfeather - Large Light Pit Game Pullet (Jack Fricke)

Reserve Champion Large Hardfeather - Large Black Red DL Cock (Errol Hetherington)

Champion Softfeather Bantam - White Pekin Pullet (Ian Mitchell)

Reserve Champion Softfeather Bantam - White Leghorn Bantam Cockerel (Thelan Family)

Champion Hardfeather Bantam - OEG Bantam Wheaten Black Tail Hen (K and M Clifford)

Reserve Champion Hardfeather Bantam - Plain Face Pit Game Bantam Pullet)Jack Fricke)

Large Hardfeather Exhibition Pair - Pitt Games (Jack Fricke) Large Softfeather Exhibition Pair - Australorps (Glenda Hurst)

Hardfeather Bantam Exhibiton Pair - OEG Bantam Black Red/Wheaten (K and M Clifford)

Softfeather Bantam Exhibition Pair - Phoenix (C and C Putman)

Large Softfeather Pair of Pullets - Large Light Sussex (Glenda Hurst)

Champion Waterfowl - Young White Call Drake (Jane Cockerton)

Reserve Champion Waterfowl - Old Coloured Mallard Duck (Brian Wake)

Champion Junior Exhibitor - Heath Backhouse (Pekin) Reserve Champion Junior Exhibitor - Chayse Putman (Belgian)

21 June 2015—Golden West Waterfowl Club Show

Grand Champion Bird of Show - Large Ligth Pit Game Pullet (Jack Fricke)

Reserve Grand Champion Bird of Show - OEG Bantam Wheaten Black Tail Hen (K and M Clifford)

Champion Large Softfeather - Large White Leghorn Hen (Ross Kerle)

Reserve Champion Large Softfeather - Large Black Australorp (Glenda Hurst)

Champion Large Hardfeather - Large Light Pit Game Pullet (Jack Fricke)

Reserve Champion Large Hardfeather - Large Black Red DL Cock (Errol Hetherington)

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Champion Waterfowl—Beaudesert Show 2015

Reserve Champion Softfeather Bantam - White Leghorn Bantam Cockerel (Thelan Family) Champion Hardfeather Bantam - OEG Bantam

Wheaten Black Tail Hen (K and M Clifford)

Reserve Champion Hardfeather Bantam - Plain Face Pit Game Bantam Pullet)Jack Fricke)

Large Hardfeather Exhibtion Pair - Pitt Games (Jack Fricke)

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Hardfeather Bantam Pair of Pullets - Pit Game (Jack Fricke)

Softfeather Bantam - Light Sussex Bantams (Len Edwards)

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Reserve Champion Waterfowl - Old Coloured Mallard Duck (Brian Wake)

Champion Junior Exhibitor - Heath Backhouse (Pekin) Reserve Champion Junior Exhibitor - Chayse Putman (Belgian)

Extra Awards:

Champion Belgian of Show - Pullet (C and C Putman) Champion OEG Bantam Black Red - Cock Bird (K and M Clifford)

Champion OEG Bantam Duckwing - Cockerel (Phillip Joynson)

Champion OEG Bantam Spangle - Hen (M.R. Kleidon)

27 June 2015—Monto Poultry Club Show

Judges—Rob Monement HF and John Kendall SF.

Grand Champion of Show—E Hetherington, Ginger Cock

Reserve Champion of Show—H Surtees , Langshan Cockerel

Champion HF Large—E Hetherington

Res Champion HF Large—E Hetherington

Champion HF Bantam Male—N James



Dempsey Bailey Sussex Champion Bird of Show by Neville Donaldson



Beaudesert Champion Bird of Show—Pit Game by John Stumer



Beaudesert Reserve Champion Bird of Show—White Pekin by Matthew Demnar

Res Champion HF Bantam Male—H& O Hetherington Champion HF Bantam Female—K&J Kleidon Res Champion HF Bantam Female—K&S Kleidon Champion SF Male—H Surtees Res Champion SF Male—J Schafer Champion SF Female—H Surtees Res Champion SF Female—H Surtees

28 June 2015—Lawnton Poultry Club Annual Show

Grand Champion Fowl of Show – Al-N-Wayne (Pile Modern Game bantam hen) Reserve Champion Fowl of Show – Sellin Family (Bla

Reserve Champion Fowl of Show – Sellin Family (Black Pekin cockerel)

Grand Champion Waterfowl of Show – J Innes (White Muscovy duck)

Reserve Champion Waterfowl of Show – M&M Dunn (Dusky Australian Call duck)

Champion SF Large – Sellin Family (White Silkie hen) Champion HF Large – Chris Plowman (OEG Black Red DL cockerel)

Champion Large Waterfowl - J Innes (White Muscovy duck)

Champion Bantam Waterfowl - M&M Dunn (Dusky Australian Call duck)

Champion Exhibition Pair – Geoff Robinson (large RIR) Champion Pair of Females – K&M Clifford (OEG Black Tail Wheaten)

Champion Junior Exhibitor (Kate Baker Memorial Award) – Eve Popplewell (White Silkie cock)

Champion Modern Game of Show – Al-N-Wayne (Pile bantam hen)

Reserve Modern Game of Show – M&M Dunn (Black Red Partridge hen)

4 July 2015—Dempsey Bailey Memorial Show

Wyandotte Champion - White Bantam Pullet by P Paulson;

Wyandotte Reserve Champion - Bantam Partridge Cockerel by E Thompson & Sons.

Australorp Champion and Champion Large - Large Black Cockerel by Henry Surtees

Australorp Reserve Champion and Champion Black Bantam - Bantam Black Cockerel by R&K Young. Faverolles Champion Bird of Show - Large Black Hen



Dempsey Bailey Faverolles Champion Bird of Show by Claire Frankling



Dempsey Bailey Langshan Champion Bird of Show by O&J Glover



Dempsey Bailey Australorp Champion Bird of Show by Henry Surtees



Dempsey Bailey Modern Champion Bird of Show by Ryan Harris

by Claire Frankling Faverolles Reserve Champ BOS - Blue Pullet by Claire Frankling Sussex Champion Bird of Show - Light Bantam Pullet by Neville Donoldson Sussex Reserve Champion BOS - Large Light Hen by Kayleen Weidemann Langshan Champion BIrd of Show - Black Bantam Hen - O&J Glover Langshan Reserve Champion BOS - Large Black Pullet - Sutton Family Modern Game Champion - Black Red Bantam Cockerel - Ryan Harris Modern Game Reserve Champion - Black Tail Wheaten by O&J Glover

4 July 2015—2015 Central Highlands Feather Club

Grand Champion – G & P Bashford Reserve Grand Champion – G & P Bashford Champion Standard Soft Feather - G & P Bashford Reserve Champion Standard Soft Feather – N Taylor Champion Bantam Soft Feather - G & P Bashford Reserve Champion Bantam Soft Feather – B Bashford Champion Bantam Hard Feather - G & P Bashford Reserve Champion Bantam Hard Feather – R & A Whiting Champion Juvenile - M. Capil Reserve Champion Juvenile - Z. Taylor Breeding Exhibition Pair – N Taylor FCAQI Award – W. Taylor

26 July 2015—Rosewood Annual Show

Champion Bird of Show—V&P May Res Champion Bird of Show—Eric Innes Large Softfeather - Ros Bain & Arthur Willey Reserve Large Softfeather—Graeme Sharpe Large Hardfeather—Eric Innes Res Large Hardfeather—Eric Innes Softfeather Bantam—V&P May Reserve Softfeather Bantam—Jacob Reinke Hardfeather Bantam—Ray Law



Dempsey Bailey Wyandotte Champion Bird of Show by P. Paulsen



Central Highlands Feather Club Jr members M. Whiting, T. Whiting, Z. Taylor and M. Capil



Rosewood Champion Bird of Show—Bantam Rhode Island Red by V&P May

Reserve Hardfeather Bantam—Stephen Hendrickson Exhibition Pair—Nathan Peacock Pair of Pullets—Warren Nicholls Champion Junior—Bed Biddle Champion Waterfowl—Rebecca Galloway Reserve Champion Waterfowl—Adam Jannusch

Agricultural Shows

(Show Societies are not affiliated members but in accordance with the objectives in our Constitution, we are delighted publish results from Agricultural Show if there is space.)

7-16 August—Queensland Royal

Grand Champion Fowl of Show -White Pekin Cockerel by Geoff Edards

Reserve Grand Champion Fowl of Show - Bantam White Leghorn Cockerel by Glen Williamson.

Champion Large Soft Feather Heavy - White Wyandotte Large Hen by Geoff Potts

Champion Large Soft Feather Light - White Leghorn Large Pullet by GN&BD Sharpe

Champion Head Feather Large OEG - OEG Large Brown/Orange Red Hen by B&J Williamson

Champion Large HF other than OEG - Large Muff Pit Cockerel by Nathan Watson

Champ Soft Feather Bantam Natural - White Pekin Bantam Cockerel - Geoff Edards

Champ Bantam Heavy - Bantam Black Aus - Norm Black

Bantam Soft Feather Light - White Leghorn Bantam Cockerel by Glen Williamson

Bantam OEG Champ - Bantam OEG Wheaten Red Cockerel by DW Scamp & ES Hughes

Champion Jnr - OEG Game Bant D/W D/L Hen -Lachlan Potts

Champion H/F Bantam Other than OEG - Black Tail Wheaten Pullet by O&J Glover

Grand Champion Waterfowl of Show - White Runner by Terry & Linda Taylor Reserve Champion Waterfowl of Show - Black and White Muscovy by Nordling, Green & Fry



Rosewood Res Ch Bird of Show by Eric Innes



EKKA Grand Ch Fowl of Show by Geoff Edards



EKKA Res Ch Fowl of Showby Glen Williamson



EKKA Gr Ch WF of Show by Terry & Linda Taylor



FCAQI Show Calendar Order Form 2016



The Feather Clubs Association of Queensland Inc (FCAQI) have once again printed a full colour calendar for the Queensland 2016 show season. The calendar includes all poultry club show dates and auctions along with the dates for all the Queensland Agricultural shows, Royal Shows for other states and any other worthwhile dates for poultry exhibitors.

Calendars will be available from mid December, 2016 at a flat rate of \$20 each. Get your order in early, before they are all **sold out**.

Please contact the FCAQI secretary if you want to pay by direct deposit. Email: secretary@qldpoultry.com Ph: Phone: 0400 243 819

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Bowen Back in Action

by Owen Glover

The shows in the north of our state are something special indeed with their very friendly laid back approach to the occasion and allcomers making the most of their often long trips from so far for the event. Four hours down the road is a Sunday morning outing for those in the north who love to put their poultry against the best in the area.



Since Ekka I had the wonderful opportunity to

judge at the recently reformed club show at Bowen where the town hadn't seen a club show for nearly 30 years. What a fantastic time I had and the hospitality was typical North Queensland with everyone keen to meet and greet and catch up. Even a stubby was had over lunch. How good is that and after a long day judging just on 300 entries and with a bad case of the flu the old father of the fancy in the North, Roy Wright mentioned a beer and I was right in there with him. Not sure what he was drinking though!!!

The town is somewhere that I have never been to before and holds strong family connection, being the place my late Mum and Dad met and married during the war years, while Dad was stationed there on the Catalina Flying Boat Squadron. I had heard so many stories about the place down through the years and was very pleased that my chaperone Warren Acton took me down to the area where the memorial sits recognising the great service they did during World War2.

The show the following day was very well organised by Warren's son Sean Acton, who loves his Old English and made the vigil down to the Old English Game Club Show at Rosewood where we met. The Acton name needs no introduction to the old stalwarts as some will still remember

Sean's grandfather Bert and his wonderful spangle and wheaten OE Bantams who was based up the road in Home Hill and was very successful in the show pen and judged at Ekka on more than one occasion.

The winning fowl on the day was a lovely Modern Game Black Red Cockerel owned by long-term stalwart Graham Wright from Townsville. Gee! He has had them 'good' for a long time now. Was great to catch up with some whom I have known for a very long









time, and we all reminisced about days gone by. It was also great to catch up with the likes of Roy and Graham Wright from Townsville, Brenton Curtis who was down for the weekend, Fay and Keith Stockham up from Mackay, the Mayor of Bloomsbury—Wayne Quantock there for a chat and never in a hurry, Shirley Flemming in from Charters Towers, and Neil Hansen down from Home Hill with some very handy Indian Game Bantams.

It was wonderful to talk to a lot of new exhibitors. Some I have befriended on facebook and others I took the time to go through their fowls with them. One in particular, Rae Poggiolli from Charters Towers, is a Wyandotte tragic and was so excited to meet me and mentioned she also wanted to have one of her fowls photographed by Cathy Newton and my answer was quick, "Come to Ekka!" Never miss an opportunity!

How wonderful to see new exhibitors out and about demonstrating that poultry is alive and healthy in North Queensland. If you ever get the opportunity to judge or exhibit at a show in North Queensland, don't hesitate as you will really enjoy the occasion as all the locals always do. Local up there can be anything up to seven hours away!







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