



# FCAQI NEWS

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## Secretary's Report



Hello everyone,

Now that the show season has finished for this year, Club Affiliations are now due. If by chance you may have misplaced, or not received, your Club Affiliation Form please email me, so I can send you another one. Thank you to those clubs who have already returned their 2018 Affiliation Forms for insurance period 4Aug 2017 – 4Aug 2018.

Social media has been a wonderful forum for communication. It has enabled the wider community to contact me to find out how they can become involved in this great hobby that we all love and share, of our two legged feathered friends.

To all our members :- May you all have a wonderful Christmas and a safe and healthy New Year.

If you have any enquiries or suggestions please send an email them to [secretary@qldpoultry.com](mailto:secretary@qldpoultry.com)

### *Top 5 Tips for Wet season*

1. Ensure all pens and objects if mobile are secured correctly—pickets and wire will assist with this.
2. Ensure adequate shelter—make sure pens are facing away from prevailing winds and storms, if not add internal shelters or tarpaulin
3. Ensure food is stored out of rain or wet areas—food will go stale or moldy quickly this can cause chickens to become very sick quickly. Any spoiled feed in pens should be removed within a day, so best to feed little and often.
4. Play it safe, prepare well and never go out in storms or under trees. Just because the storm is not directly overhead doesn't mean you can't get struck by lightning.
5. Storms can approach quickly and suddenly so prepare well in advance.



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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*





# FCAQI Workshop

*All Welcome!*

**Imported Breeds 8.30 - 12.30**  
**Judging & Stewarding Intro 1.00 - 2.30**

Sunday November 5, 2017

Rosewood Showgrounds

Presenters: Lyn Campbell (Avgen), Dr Kevin Smith (Vic)

Selection of Avgen import breeds on display

Morning tea & lunch provided

\$25 bookings to [secretary@qldpoultry.com](mailto:secretary@qldpoultry.com) Ph: 0423 035 067

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**Bresse \* Ixworth \* Fayoumi \* Friesian fowl \* Redcap**  
**Scots Dump/grey \* Crevecouer \* Chocolate Orpington**  
**Nankins \* Bantam Hamburg & more**

non-refundable booking payments



# Amazingly Easy Chicken Burgers

Not quite the time of year for culls that are viable for whole birds, however this recipe is suitable for the smaller birds where breast and leg are taken and the rest might be waste.

1kg chicken mince  
1/2 cup onion, chopped  
1/2 cup celery, finely chopped  
1/2 cup carrot, grated  
Wholegrain rolls  
Lettuce  
Tomatoes, sliced  
Good quality mayonnaise  
Sweet chilli sauce



In a bowl, combine the chicken, onion, celery and carrot. Form into 12 patties and refrigerate for 1 hour.

Cook on the barbeque or in an oiled frying pan for 5 minutes each side.

Assemble the burgers on the buns in the following order: lettuce, mayonnaise, tomato, chicken patties and sweet chilli sauce.

These can be frozen as long as a layer of "Go Between" is used to prevent sticking.



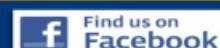
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# Richard Porter EKKA Youth Sponsorship



This is part of an initiative the FCAQ is promoting and sponsoring for youth in memory of a wonderful gentleman Richard Porter who gave so much to the fancy.

Richard passed away in late 2016 and is dearly missed by many, so in his honor a fund has been set up to bring youth to the EKKA.



This year was the first year that 3 boys attended; Jacob Canning (VIC) - far right photo, Braydon Leeson (QLD) - centre photo, and Michael English (QLD) - far left photo. They spent about 5 days with Cathy and Ben Newton and the EKKA team learning so much about the poultry fancy.

Jacob Canning sent a summary report and thankyou letter of his week and how it went.

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*On the 9th of August I travelled to the Brisbane Royal—EKKA with Michael Holmes. I was fortunate to be selected by the VPFA and also representing my local poultry club Camperdown Poultry Club to attend the EKKA on the Richard Porter Youth Scholarship Programme for 5 days.*

*Richard Porter bred Minorca birds and was a passionate breeder, steward and judge at many poultry shows throughout Queensland. He was known to help many people get involved in the poultry world and he enjoyed helping them. Sadly Richard passed away last year, so a programme was started as a memorial to his passion for breeding and showing poultry. Fundraising began, to get a group of young breeders to EKKA to experience all the life about poultry exhibition.*

*When I arrived in Brisbane, I was greeted by Cathy and Ben Newton, and the other two boys, Braydon and Micheal. We stayed with Cathy and Ben and were treated with great hospitality and generosity. In the evenings we would help Cathy and Ben check their own birds and collect eggs, then sit down to a lovely dinner.*

*Ben and Cathy took us to the EKKA every-day. On judging day I helped steward with Guy Fahey. Guy was amazing to be with. He was great to talk to, and was very helpful sharing his knowledge on the different breeds. I learnt a lot from him, and I really appreciated working alongside him. He was a great person to spend time with, and so full of knowledge.*



*During my time at EKKA I had the opportunity to talk to many poultry breeders and exhibitors that show a large variety of breeds.*

*We spent two days with Grame Hopf. He gave us talks on how to get the birds safely out of the cages without damaging feathers, bird preparation and general knowledge on poultry. Grame also discussed breed standards with us and what we need to look for when selecting birds. I had a great time with him.*

Braydon, Micheal and I got along really well. We had lots of fun together. We worked together taking birds out of cages for Cathy to do the photos and we helped the other judges also at times, this included helping in the sheds too.

The day before I left the EKKA was a big day, as I had the opportunity to help Cathy and Ben take more photos of the winners. My job was to take each Champion Bird out of its cage and stand it up for Cathy. This was a lot of fun, and I learnt so much with the different breeds. There were so many beautiful birds on display. I must admit I was thrilled when Bird of Show was a Rhode Island Red Bantam Rooster, I had actually picked him out myself when I saw him, and thought he would be hard to beat.

During the Presentation Stewards Evening, Owen Glover presented us with a copy of the Australian Poultry Standards Book and a judging jacket. Gary Phillips also gave us a talk on judging birds, and Don Candler the RNA Councilor gave us a EKKA Cap.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the VPFA for sponsoring me to do this amazing event. Thankyou to all the organizers and supporter for the Richard Porter Youth Scholarship Programme. Thanks must go to Michael Holmes for organizing my tickets and taking me to Brisbane, Cathy and Ben Newton for opening their home to me and being so generous, Judges, Stewards and exhibitors for the days I was there. It was also great to catch up with Alf Woods, Ian Nash and Meg Millar. Everyone treated me so well.

It was a privilege to represent Victoria at such a prestigious well organized event in memory of Mr Richard Porter.

Thank you very much  
Regards

Jacob Canning

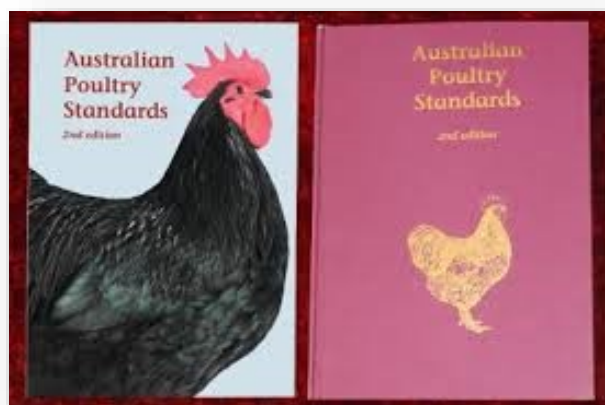
Jacob Canning

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This is a wonderful opportunity for all youth to get a head start in poultry and spend a week at EKKA learning the ins and outs of poultry showing from some of the best names in Australia.

This scholarship is not possible without the support of many sponsors and individuals throughout the year and during EKKA and it is hoped that it will continue for many years to come in memory of a fantastic generous man.

Next year more youth will be chosen from applications received and hopefully they will enjoy the experience just as much as these 3 young men.





# Out and About With Clubs



## Darling Downs Club Show with Modern Game and Orpington Feature

The Darling Downs 55<sup>th</sup> Annual show held on Sunday June 4<sup>th</sup> 2017 has been run and won. Mother Nature turned on a beautiful day. 670 Fowls from 44 exhibitors, 6 of which were juniors. Seven first time exhibitors, with Neville Smith making the long trip over from WA with two of his birds, but they never made it as they went in to a moult. Numbers were down due to a number of shows clashing locally and no pigeons.

Thanks must go to the Modern Game Club of Qld for their support donation of a sashes & trophy. Chris Hardman had 35 large & 31 bantams Orpingtons & 55 with the remaining large soft feather, Grame Hopf had 11 large & 134 bantam Moderns and 69 large hard feather, John Kendal 136 of the remaining soft feather bantams, Cory Nordstrom 113 of the remaining hard feather bantams and David Simons 15 pairs & 73 Waterfowl.

As Secretary my job is made easier by the support of our sponsors with donation of trophies, the executive and members who step up, and help to set up the show, running the canteen, stewarding writing cards and the taking of the photos of the champions and the printing.

This year we handed out over \$2 400 worth of sashes, photos, bags of feed, poultry equipment and cash trophies, from colour/breed champions to the majors.



## FCAQI Show Calendar 2018

Every year the FCAQI produces a calendar containing the show dates for our affiliated clubs and Queensland agricultural societies. The calendar is in an A4 landscape format and each month is partnered with a photo showcasing birds from our wonderful hobby, making it a great tool for exhibitors as well as a great general purpose calendar for any fancier. Clubs have the ability to have an advertisement to promote themselves and their events for the year and we also include the latest copy of the Judges Register for show organisers.

Work on the calendar for 2018 has started with the majority of club secretaries being contacted via email or phone to request key dates for their club along with providing the opportunity to have an advertisement in the calendar. If you have not yet been contacted and would like to discuss, please contact me either via email on [calendar@qldpoultry.com](mailto:calendar@qldpoultry.com) or phone on 0418 598 330.

Anyone who would like to be added or needs to update their details on the Judges Register should contact David Morley either via email on [pomonamountainpoultry@gmail.com](mailto:pomonamountainpoultry@gmail.com) or phone on 0409 262 245.

All information and payments need to be received no later than **Sunday, the 5th of November** in order to be included.

The goal is to have the calendar available for posting early in December. Information will go out via the FCAQI website and Facebook page to advise on how to pre-order closer to the release. The cost for the calendar will remain at \$20, including postage.

Nathan Maher  
2017-18 Calendar Coordinator / Web Admin



# Breed Feature—Cayuga Ducks

Origins of Breed: America—New York State—Specifically Lake Cayuga

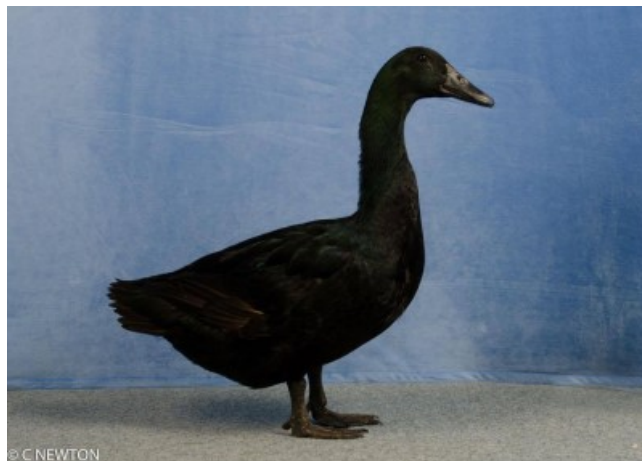
Classification: Heavy

Egg Colour: Slightly Tinted

Egg Production: 150-200 a year

## Breed Characteristics

1. Carriage—To be slightly elevated with good clearance from breast to stern.
2. Body—This is to be very wide and compact, broadest point is to be shoulders with the butts being prominent, body is to taper in a traditional flat iron shape towards the tail. Back is to be flat but not flat on the sides or hollow backed.
3. Breast—Wide and a prominent feature but must be fairly deep and well rounded.
4. Wings—Short wing well rounded wings carried close and higher at the front.
5. Tail—Small average sized tail with small sickles and coverts in males, must be close and hard. Carriage is to be drooping in comparison to the body in males, and in females this is slightly higher
6. Head—This is to average length and thick, the look is not as keen as other game fowl but slightly beetle browed. Wattles and comb rich red and pea type in undubbed birds showing 3 distinct ridges with the centre being twice the height of the outer, comb is also small and neat set on the head.
7. Beak—Short and well curved with a powerful look, it is to be horn or yellow or horn stripped with yellow in colour.
8. Eyes—Prominent, full and bold., colours are to be pale red to pearl
9. Neck—Slightly curved with medium length, hackles are short with minimal coverage of the neck
10. Legs—Very thick and strong with round and stout thighs, shanks are short well scaled but must be long enough to give a “game appearance”. Feet are to be straight, long and strong with back toe is to be almost flat on the ground, . Toes are to be 4 in number and nails are to be well shaped. Colour of legs is to orange or yellow.
11. Feathers—Close fitting



## Breed History

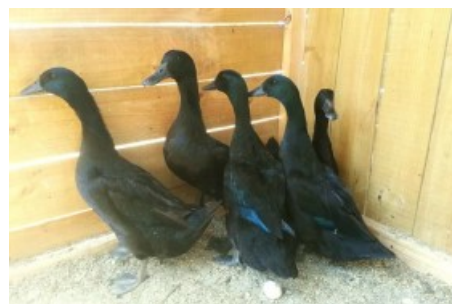


Cayuga duck is traditionally an American Breed originating from Lake Cayuga, New York State, America. They became first popular in this area and domesticated in a form similar to what we see today around 1850. They are believed to be descended from American Black ducks or from a hybrid of American Black ducks and Mallards, however due to their size they are most likely a blend of all the above with some domestic bloodlines added.

First ever recorded of these birds being exhibited was back in 1853 at the Maryland State Agricultural Society Show in Baltimore.

more, there are records of a breed class for Black Cayuga Ducks as well as at Birmingham (USA) Poultry Show, this would lead to the assumption that they were popular within these areas to have specific classes.

Britain first became aware of this new breed around 1855, with many articles written about its origin and the beauty of the birds. They were highly prized and there are recordings in history of notable people receiving these ducks as gifts or sales. Over time their popularity grew.



## Breed Character

The Cayuga is classified as a heavy breed by the Australian Poultry Standards with an weight range of 2.7-3.6 kg for males, and females being slightly lower at 2.25 to 3.2 kg.

The most notable character for this bird is their beautiful black plumage with a dark green sheen and black bill, this gives them an almost iridescent look when in natural light. They have a graceful appearance with a slight upright stance.

Cayuga's generally make great pets as they are friendly and less flighty than other breeds, they make a nice alternative to Pekin Ducks which can be noisy as these tend to be less vocal.

They also breed easy with ducks going broody as required and incubation is 28 days, ducklings hatch with a beautiful black fluff.

These are an amazing breed and well worth the struggle to find good stock. There are a few breeders out there so it is worth contacting your local club for more information.



### **Change of Contact Details!**

Due to a new committee being elected at the recent AGM there is new contact details for the FCAQ.

Please forward all future correspondence to:

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# **CLUB SHOW RESULTS**

Central Highlands Feather Club Annual Show - 8th July 17

Judges: Sam Boal (Hardfeather and Softfeather), Jane Cockerton (waterfowl)

Grand Champion Bird of Show: A & K Perry—OEG bantam  
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Grand Champion Waterfowl of Show - SA & K Perry  
Res Grand Champion Waterfowl of Show— Amy Thomas  
Grand Champion Junior Bird of Show—Wyatt Taylor—Bantam Leghorn  
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Grand Champion Junior Waterfowl of Show—Matilda Schuh  
Res Grand Champion Junior Waterfowl of Show—Zoey Taylor



Champion Bantam Hard Feather—A & K Perry  
Res Champion Bantam Hard Feather—A & K Perry  
Champion Standard Soft Feather—B & L Barnett  
Res Champion Standard Soft Feather—Rachael Smith  
Champion Bantam Soft Feather—Kylie Capil  
Res Champion Bantam Soft Feather—Clyde Simonsen

Champion Bantam Junior Softfeather—Wyatt Taylor  
Res Champion Bantam Junior Softfeather— Wyatt Taylor  
Champion Standard Junior Hardfeather—Oliver Schubert  
Res Champion Standard Junior Hardfeather—Oliver Schubert  
Champion Standard Junior Softfeather—Zoey Taylor  
Res Champion Standard Junior Softfeather—Jackson Schuh  
Champion Bantam Junior Hard Feather—Oliver Schubert  
Res Champion Bantam Junior Hard Feather—Oliver Schubert

FCAQI Encouragement Award—Jackson Schuh

Sussex Feature—Champion Female—B & L Barnett  
Sussex Feature—Champion Male—Nicole Taylor  
FCAQI Encouragement Award from Sussex Club of Qld Inc— Nella O'Brien

# **CLUB SHOW RESULTS**

**Mt Larcom Agricultural Show— Central Queensland Poultry Club—25 June 2017**

**Judge: Alan Brennan**

Grand Champion Bird Of Show—Peter Abbott—Modern Game Bantam

Reserve Grand Champion Bird of Show—T&L Taylor—White Wyandotte Bantam



Champion Large Hardfeather—B&N Samuels

Reserve Champion Large Hardfeather—Eddie Joyce

Champion Large Softfeather—Mandy Bennett

Reserve Champion Large Softfeather—Richardson Family

Champion Bantam Hardfeather—Peter Abbott

Reserve Champion Bantam Hardfeather—Jane Cockerton

Champion Bantam Softfeather—T&L Taylor

Reserve Champion Bantam Softfeather—Mandy Bennett

Champion Waterfowl—Jane Cockerton

Reserve Champion Waterfowl—Sam Boal

Champion Junior Handler—Aron Franks

Reserve Champion Junior Handler—Max Cosgrove

FCAQ Encouragement Award—Bruce and Mandy Bennett



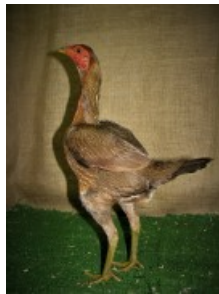
# **CLUB SHOW RESULTS**

**Darling Downs Annual Club Show—4 June 2017**

**Judges: Chris Hardman, Grame Hopf, John Kendal, Cory Nordstrom, and David Simons!**

Grand Champion Bird of Show—R&L Crighton—Black Langshan

Reserve Champion Bird Of Show—B&D Rewald—Australian Game Bantam



Champion Large Hardfeather—B&D Rewald—Grey OEG

Reserve Champion Large Hardfeather—A&J Galloway—Malay

Champion Large Softfeather—B Jannusch—Black Australorp

Reserve Champion Large Softfeather—K Weidemann—Black Australorp

Champion Bantam Hardfeather—B&D Rewald—Australian Game Bantam

Reserve Champion Bantam Hardfeather—J Pocock—Grey Modern Game Bantam

Champion Bantam Softfeather—T&L Taylor

Reserve Champion Bantam Softfeather—Mandy Bennett

Champion Waterfowl—R Galloway—Pekin

Reserve Champion Waterfowl—R Galloway—White Mallard

Champion Breeding Pair—R&L Crighton—Black Langshan Bantam

Champion Pair of Females—R&L Crighton—Black Langshan Bantam

Champion Rare Breed Hardfeather—B&D Rewald

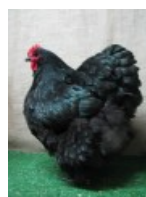
Champion Rare Breed Soft feather—W Patterson—Bantam Frizzle

Champion Orpington of Show—J Mckeown

Reserve Champion Orpington of Show—K Brussian

Champion Modern of Show—J Pocock

Reserve Champion Modern of Show—J Gasby





# CLUB SHOW RESULTS

Moreton Bay Regional Poultry Club Inc Annual Show – 25 June 2017

Judges: John Kendall (SF), Graham Prior (HF), Jim Innes (WF)

Grand Champion Fowl – Sellin Family (Black Pekin cockerel)

Reserve Champion Fowl – K&M Clifford (Black Tail wheaten OEG hen)



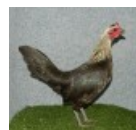
Champion Softfeather Large – Kylie Lloyd (Andalusian pullet)

Reserve Softfeather Large – Sellin Family (White Silkie cock)



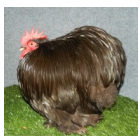
Champion Hardfeather Large – Peter McMillan (AOC OEG hen)

Reserve Hardfeather Large – Craig Davidson (Henfeather OEG pullet)



Champion Softfeather Bantam – Sellin Family (Black Pekin cockerel)

Reserve Softfeather Bantam – A&D Freeman (Rhode Island Red S/C pullet)



Champion Hardfeather Bantam – K&M Clifford (Black Tail Wheaten hen)

Reserve Hardfeather Bantam – K&M Clifford (Blue Tail Wheaten hen)



Champion Waterfowl – Nathan Maher (Buff Orpington duck)

Reserve Waterfowl – D&D Simons (Saxony Bantam duck)



Champion Turkey or Guinea Fowl – Narelle Stone (Bronze Turkey male)

Champion Junior Exhibitor – Lachlan Lower-Parr (White Frizzle bantam pullet)

Champion Exhibition Pair – D&D Simons (White Frizzle bantam)

Champion Pair of Females – K&M Clifford (Blue Tail Wheaten OEG bantam)

