MT BARKER AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY INC

Affiliated with Central Districts Shows Association, Agricultural Societies Council of SA, and the Equestrian Federation

148th Annual Show

To be held at the Adelaide Hills Recreation Centre and Grounds, Mt Barker on SATURDAY 27th MARCH 2021

MEMBERSHIPS: \$15 ADULT MEMBERSHIP, TWO ADMISSION TICKETS Membership must be purchased prior to the Show

GENERAL ADMISSION:

ADULTS \$10 PENSIONERS/STUDENTS & CONCESSION CARD HOLDERS \$5 CHILDREN UNDER 12 FREE IF ACCOMPANIED BY A PAYING ADULT

TICKETS AVAILABLE ON-LINE

Show Office Phone 0448 197 730 Open Thursdays 2pm until late, Closed Public Holidays Every week day from mid-March

> OFFICIAL OPENING By Dan Cregan MP Member for Kavel 11.00 am Saturday 27th MARCH 2021

2021 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Wednesday 22nd July at 7.30 pm Show Office

HORSES IN ACTION SUNDAY 28th MARCH 202

FOR INSURANCE PURPOSES THE SHOW HAS A NO DOG POLICY NO DOGS WILL BE ALLOWED ONTO THE SHOWGROUNDS WITHOUT A SHOW SOCIETY PERMIT

WE WISH TO THANK AND ACKNOWLEDGE OUR TWO MAJOR SPONSORS WITHOUT WHOSE GENEROUS ASSISSTANCE THE SHOW COULD NOT PROCEED





MOUNT BARKER DISTRICT COUNCIL

President's Message

2020 was not a good year!

The Show was shut down in the last days of our preparations for what should have been a bumper year. Everything was in place, the plans were secure and entries had started to come in. How were we to know what was around the corner?

At the time of cancellation I told everyone to pack up their 2020 sections, put them away carefully and with a bit of luck the whole lot could come out again, be dusted off and be instant schedules, displays and happy times again. So here we are!

We were too late to organise a printed Show Book but all the information is on our web site and the Show Office staff are their usual friendly, helpful selves. With understanding of the circumstances we find ourselves in this year, everything will be fine and we can expect the fun-filled Show we should have had last year.

The 2020 Show would have been our 148th so in 2023 we will be celebrating our 150th Show. We look forward to planning something special so if you would like to a part of this milestone event, we would welcome your input, ideas and physical help. It's a great Show and together we can make it even better.

Take care, be safe and have a wonderful experience at the 2021 Show.

Jocelyn Fry

President

OFFICIALS FOR THE 2021 SHOW

PATRONS: Ms REBEKHA SHARKIE MP, Mr DAN CREGAN MP, Mrs ANN FERGUSON, Mr PETER VINEY, Mr IAN SMITH

PRESIDENT: JOCELYN FRY SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT: REX LIEBELT JUNIOR VICE PRESIDENT: RON HALL

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Mrs Thelma lelasi[†], Mr Mario Ielasi[†], Mrs Marjorie Fishlock[†], Mr David Liebelt[†] Mrs Avis Marston[†], Mr Dick Jaensch[†], Mrs Shirley Stokes[†], Mrs Dillis Wright[†], Mrs Ronda Liebelt[†], Mr Peter Chester[†] (†deceased)





The Mount Barker District Show will be held next on Saturday March 27 2021. The Show Committee endeavors to showcase all aspects of Agriculture, Cookery and Crafts from the District as our forefathers have done over the previous 148 years of the Show's history.

As an annual event, the Mount Barker Show is a great way of bringing a sample of the country to the town, and as Mount Barker is changing from its former rural character into a modern urban one, we see this occasion as a great chance to reconnect the public with the rural activities, crafts and cottage industries of times past.

The First Mt Barker Show was held in 1847 and was the forerunner to all other shows held in South Australia.

The Show went into a twenty-five years long recess in 1963. In 1987 the Mt Barker Bicentennial Committee formed and organized a once-only event for 1988, reviving the highly successful Cream Bowl Festival of the 1960s. The name 'Cream Bowl' stemmed from the district's prominence in the dairy industry. It was also decided to hold an indoor Show in conjunction with the Bicentennial event. The indoor Show proved so popular that a steering committee took the lead to re-form the Show Society, leading to the first revived Show being held in 1989. Many people with expertise were needed to convene different sections and a full show as we know it today with Horses, Cattle, Sheep, Goats, Trade space, Sideshows, Indoor exhibits was held on Saturday April 1st.

This year's Show is very special in light of the sudden cancellation as a result of the COVID Pandemic. Again, people with expertise and enthusiasm have stepped up to ensure a great Show. We are very thankful to all our Show Committee Volunteers who give their time and effort to help create an event that celebrates our community.

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