

New Arena Sponsor



The Canterbury A&P Association is pleased to announce a new naming right sponsor for the main arena at the showgrounds. From January 2009 StableMate™ will take over from BNZ and the main arena will become the StableMate Arena.

StableMate™ supported the Show in 2008 with sponsorship of equestrian classes and also sponsoring the purchase of a new set of horse jumps; we are looking forward to a successful partnership.

StableMate™ manufactures a unique range of premium and standard kitset stabling systems that can be custom-made for any equine stabling requirement. From a child's pony, through to a large breeding, racing, quarantine or horse transport operation, StableMate™ has it covered.

The innovative Kiwi design and engineering of the StableMate™ system allows it to easily transform existing sheds into safe, secure and attractive equine housing using a combination of kitset front panels, side panels and functional sliding doors. The doors come complete with cover racks for easy storage of covers, saddles or harness.

StableMate™ is dedicated to providing customers with exceptional stabling, safe and strong systems designed with horses in mind combined with excellent on-going service and an innovative assembly system. The made to measure stables use premium products ensuring the best possible environment for the horse combined with ease of use and aesthetically pleasing for the discerning horse owner.

Dakins Ambassador of the Year



The 2008 Dakins Ambassador of the Year has been awarded to Jeanette Brown.

Jeanette has competed and exhibited at the Canterbury Show since the early 1950's and has been a Life Member since 1974. Her love of horses led her to establishing the Ataahua Pony Stud 34 years ago; Ataahua ponies and hacks have competed at Canterbury every year since. Having acted as a steward and judge over the years, Jeanette continues to pass on her invaluable knowledge and enthusiasm for pony breeding and showing to all her young riders, having provided ponies for numerous riders to further their interest in the A&P movement. Jeanette was awarded travel to the value of \$3000 to visit an international A&P Show and a Silver Salver for perpetual competition.

Thanks to the Dakins Group of Companies for their sponsorship of the Ambassador of the Year.

Top Show Results

Congratulations to all entrants at the 2008 Royal New Zealand Show.

RAS Supreme Champion Animal of Show - AD Paterson, Merino Ram.

Sheep

Supreme Champion Meat Animal - Mrs HL Lang.

Supreme Champion Wool Animal - AD Paterson.

Food & Fibre Trifecta - Mrs HL Lang.

Super Ewe All Breeds (dual purpose/wool) - David Sidey.

Super Ewe All Breeds (meat) -

MN & SH McKenzie.

Dog Trials

Eukanuba Sheep Dog Trial -

SM Millar, Ned.

Eukanuba Yard Dog Trial - John Masefield, Wag.

Llama

Supreme Champion Suri Llama - Mike & Robyn Robinson, American Suri Queen.

Cattle

Meat & Wool Cup Supreme Beef Animal - Floridale Angus c/o Jane Jenkins, Floridale Vanity.

PGG Wrightson Ltd Supreme Champion All Breeds Dairy Cow - Tahora Farms, Leif Lark.

Alpaca

Supreme Champion Huacaya Fleece - Kit & Sheryl Johnson, Silverstream Flashdance.

Supreme Champion Suri Alpaca - Eric Lester, Thief of Hearts Lord of the Rings.

Supreme Champion Huacaya Alpaca - RA & GS Graham, Valley of the Peace Royal Ltd Edition.

Woodchopping

Goldpine World Championship - David Bolstad

Stihl Teams Race - New South Wales

Veterans NZ versus Australia Test - Veterans NZ

Shearing

Open Blades - Bill Michelle, Timaru.

Open Machine - John Kirkpatrick, Napier.

Message from the President

Keith McIntosh



What a Show!! Three fantastic sunny days resulted in increased attendance and combined with an increase in livestock entries and trade exhibitors we had an enjoyable and successful Show.

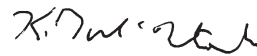
Dianna and I really enjoyed meeting so many members and interacting with exhibitors who make the trip to the Royal New Zealand Show in Christchurch each year.

We welcomed royalty this year with a visit by HRH The Princess Royal. Princess Anne attended the Show on Friday afternoon and had a chance to watch the Ballantynes Grand Parade and Shetland Grand National before presenting the award for the RAS Supreme Champion Animal of Show. This was followed by a visit to the Shearing Pavilion and the City Farmyard.

As President I was most impressed with the large number of people, including livestock and trade exhibitors, judges, stewards and volunteers who worked so hard and long to make the Show such a fantastic event.

My thanks also goes to the Committee, Board members, operations team and staff of Tenth Dot Management who have worked tirelessly to ensure we had another great Royal New Zealand Show.

Thank you to everyone.



Horse

Supreme Champion Horse - Bailey Family, Zilco Amberleigh After Dark r. Jane Bailey.

Supreme Champion Pony - Abby Thomas, Zilco Amberleigh High Hopes.

In Hand All Breeds Supreme Award - Katie Meyer, Naaman Tribute.

Champion Hunter - Kelly Evans/Ryan Smith, Highway 35 r. Kelly Evans.

Champion Pony Hunter -

Kylie Ross, Smart Spark.

Ballantynes Grand Prix -

Juliet Scott, Rodney Red.

Visit www.theshow.co.nz for full results.

Stud Ram & Ewe Fair

Canterbury's annual Stud Ram & Ewe Fair will be held Thursday 15 and Friday 16 January 2009 at Canterbury Agricultural Park.

With 307 quality rams and ewes for sale, vendors are eager for sales above last year's averages.

Thursday 15 January

10.00am Texel, 11.30am Hampshire, 12.00pm South Suffolk, 2.00pm Poll Dorset, 4.00pm Suffolk.

Friday 16 January

10.00am Lincoln, English Leicester, 10.30am Romney, 11.00am Border Leicester, 12.30pm Corriedale, 1.00pm Southdown, 3.00pm Dorset Down.

Trade Exhibitor of the Year

Winners of the Trade Exhibitor of the Year Awards were announced on Wednesday evening of the Show. The Overall Winner was PGG Wrightson for their innovative farm supplies site. Their prize package included a \$5000 radio advertising contract with More FM, Tui Prize Pack and an aerial letter banner flown over the Showgrounds by SkySignz Aerial Ads.

Winners in each category –

Best Presented Food Trade Site:

The Cupcake Collection

Best Presented Garden Trade Site: Christchurch South Community Waste Minimisation Project

Best Presented Indoor Trade Site:

Penguin Sea & Surf

Best Presented Small Outdoor Trade Site:

Beattie Air / Portable Building NZ

Best Presented Medium Outdoor Trade Site: Pegasus

Best Presented Large Outdoor Trade Site:

PGG Wrightson

Committee Nominations

Members please note that nominations for the General Committee close on Wednesday 11 February 2009. Nomination forms are available from the Show Secretary 03 343 3033 or amanda@theshow.co.nz.

Show Legend

Congratulations to 2008 Bayleys Show Legend Gordon Stewart. Gordon received a framed certificate and voucher for a Mystery Weekend in New Zealand courtesy of Bayleys and the Canterbury A&P Association, announced at the Bayleys President's Cocktail Party during the Royal New Zealand Show.

L/R - Shane O'Brien (Bayleys), Keith & Dianna McIntosh (Canterbury A&P Association President), Gordon Stewart.

Mint Lambs



The Canterbury A&P Association congratulates the semi finalists in the 2008 Mint Lamb Competition, judged on the hook for Best Yield in their class. The finalists were taste tested at the 2008 Royal New Zealand Show with Ken & Judy Tomlinson of Amberley taking the top prize.

Overall Placings – 1st Ken & Judy Tomlinson, Amberley, Composite 61.89. 2nd MR&RM McConachy, Featherston, Texel 62.35. 3rd MR&RM McConachy, Featherston, Texel 63.52. 4th Gareth Waller, Geraldine, Cooptex/Suff 60.00. 5th Chris Medicott, Waimate, S'down Cross 59.56. 6th George Bedford, Rakaia, Comp/Suffolk 61.69. 7th Grant Hyde, Rangiora, DP/Term 59.24. 8th Scott Anderson, Rotherham, DNX 59.17. 9th MR&RM McConachy, Featherston, Dorper/Texel 57.43. 10th William Feethan, Hastings, DP X Terminal 59.13. 11th Tom & Fiona Burrows, Rangiora, Dual Purpose 56.69.

Thanks to Alliance Group for their sponsorship support of the 2008 Mint Lamb Competition.

International Aromatic Wine Competition

Wither Hills produced the winning Rangiri Sauvignon Blanc 2008, taking out this year's Supreme Champion Wine in Show Trophy. 22 Gold Medals were awarded with 46 Silver Medals and 165 Bronze Medals also awarded from 496 entries received.

New Zealand Gourmet Oil Competition

Judges tasted 49 oils from 28 producers at the New Zealand Gourmet Oil Competition. They awarded 3 Gold Medals, 4 Silver Medals and 26 Bronze Medals. Uncle Joes Walnut Oil, produced by Oil Seed Extractions Ltd Ashburton, was voted by judges as Best in Show.

Full results are available at www.theshow.co.nz

Post Show Summary

The 2008 Royal New Zealand Show was the biggest and best yet with record visitor numbers of 120,000. Livestock and competition entries just topped last year and are now well over 7000 entries; trade exhibitors were well up with 592 exhibits and sponsorship was the highest it has ever been which is very promising in the current economic climate.

There were many highlights this year with the 50th Anniversary of Shearing at Canterbury, the visit of Her Royal Highness The Princess Royal, the David Reid Homes CureKids Buildathon and having Opshop perform Thursday and Friday in support of CureKids. Overall \$120,000 was raised for CureKids to support their funding of medical research into childhood illnesses.

Logistically the Show ran smoothly and feedback from competitors, exhibitors, sponsors and visitors has been extremely positive and this is a tribute to our event management and operations team. A huge thank you to our 570 volunteers who contribute to the Show as judges, stewards, marshals, section convenors, support crew and committee members.

We are proud to host our third consecutive Royal New Zealand Show and to continue to grow the event in size and quality. We look forward to working with the Canterbury A&P Committees to produce the 2009 Show and to look at opportunities to refine and innovate so we can continue to grow and fulfil our vision of being the largest and most successful agricultural event in New Zealand and bringing the country to town.

From the Management Team we thank the members, committees and volunteers for their support and commitment to the Canterbury A&P Association and wish you all a safe and happy festive season and a prosperous year ahead.

Rae Finlay - Event Director
Royal New Zealand Show

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Stud Ram & Ewe Fair	15-16 Jan
Canterbury A&P Assn AGM	18 March
Spring Into Action	20 Sept
Royal New Zealand Show	11-13 Nov

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