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2017 Sheepvention Competitions Open for Entries

The Hamilton Pastoral and Agricultural Society will present Sheepvention 2017 on the 7th and 8th August at the Hamilton Showgrounds. Competitions on offer will include The Hamilton and Western District Sheep Show, The Coprice Victorian Farm Dogs Competition, Australasian Young Designer Wool Awards, Ram Sale, Inventions Awards, Wool Handling and Young Auctioneers Event.

Suffolk Sheep are the feature of the Sheep Show. Sheepvention President, Gordon Last said *“we anticipate around 1000 show sheep again this year. The Merino’s will be expanding their classes as numbers are increasing due to positivity in the industry. We are very excited to welcome Suffolks as the feature breed this year especially as they are such a progressive breed”*.

The Stock and Land Cattle yards have been moved to a marquee adjoining the Wool Shed Selling Centre. Steers from Emmanuel College along with an exhibition of cattle from Banquet Angus and Eloora Shorthorns will be displayed. *“Moving the Cattle yards mean we can now use the Ram Sale selling rostrum for our Young Auctioneers Competition on Monday Afternoon. This gives the young auctioneers a huge atmosphere to sell in. Elite Livestock has come on board and will also be live streaming the competition sale so it will be an amazing experience for them. There is also increased prizemoney so we hope to see lots of entries.”* said Mr Last.

Crowd favourite the Coprice Victorian Farm Dog Championships is anticipating a fantastic competition. Strong entries are expected across the Encourage, Novice, Open and State Championship events. Entries will be circulated via the Victorian Yard Utility Farm Dog Association and the Hamilton Pastoral and Agricultural Society.

The Inventions Competition has showcased some brilliant inventions in previous years and in this 39th year of the competition, it is anticipated there will be some very exciting inventions that display new technologies. With over \$6,000 in cash and prizes, there is a huge incentive to get inventing!

The Australasian Young Designer Wool Awards, Wool Handling Competitions and a comprehensive range of School focused competitions give the opportunity for a wide range of participants to demonstrate their amazing talents with the prospect of winning some great prizes.

Enquiries for this year’s Hamilton Sheepvention can be made via Hamilton Showgrounds, phone: 03 5572 2563 or email info@hamiltonshowgrounds.com.au

All entry and field day information can be downloaded at www.hamiltonshowgrounds.com.au

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