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Media Release

2019 Sheepvention –Entries Still Open for Sheepvention

Entries are currently open for Sheepvention’s blue ribbon competitions; including, The Hamilton & Western District Sheep Show, Coprice Victorian Farm Dogs Competitions, Wool Handling, Inventions, The AWI Young Designer Wool Awards, plus the huge range of school student competitions.

President, Will Kinghorn said *“we are delighted with the response from Exhibitors so far, we have over 300 rams in the sale and have had great interest from all other sections. The feature breed this year is Heritage Breeds. We anticipate a full show shed again with over 1000 show sheep on display.*

The Farm Dog events will definitely be well patronised. With the introduction of Sunday trading the Farm Dogs will now have an amazing audience for each day of their jam packed program.”

The Inventions Competition will take on an exciting new format. The new CRT Innovations Hub will house the Inventions Competition alongside a huge array of emerging technologies. *“We are very pleased to welcome Dr Chris Russell, AM as a judge and Key Note Speaker in the Innovations Hub. People will know Chris from his role as judge on The ABC’s New Inventors. We have partnered with Great South Coast Food and Fibre to secure such a high profile guest. Inventors will also be able to take part in discussion with seed funding organisations and receive advice on trademarks and patent. We are really trying to provide an overall experience for our patrons and exhibitors.”* Said Business and Events Manager, Peta Anderson.

We have introduced a new competition for green thumbs. The Pumpkin Competition is open to all ages. There will be prizes for the Biggest Pumpkin, prettiest and weirdest looking. Get your entries in to win the Best Pumpkin award!

The schools have a huge range of events to keep them busy. The new scarecrow competition is open to primary school students. The entrants will be displayed in the Home Paddock Pavilion during Sheepvention. The Sheepvention Committee is keen to see creative designs which are also practical and durable.

Schools can also enter students in the inventions competition, photography competition, junior judging and Young Designers Fashion Competition.

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

Sheepvention will be held on August 4 to 6 at the Hamilton Showgrounds, Hamilton, Vic.

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