



AUSTRALIAN WELSH BLACK CATTLE SOCIETY INC

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Next Committee Meeting: Saturday 7th February. Avondale Heights

Annual General Meeting 2015: Warragul District October 10th.

YOUR COMMITTEE

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Cheryl Fleming

Welcome to my first edition of the Welsh Black Newsletter. After many years as editor Colin has elected to pass the baton. On behalf of the committee and entire membership I would like to thank Colin for his efforts in keeping us all up to date on the happenings within the Society and the Welsh Black Community. I hope I can maintain his high standard. Please feel free to send me any information/photos/advertising that you can.

2014 AGM & DINNER

When: 25th & 26th October, 2014

Where: Port Campbell/ Timboon district

A wonderful weekend was enjoyed by all committee members who made the journey to the beautiful area that is Port Campbell.

The Craypot Hotel hosted a great dinner and it was a relaxed atmosphere in which to catch up on events from our members around the state. It appears this area is having a great season as there were many thousands of acres cut for silage.

On the Sunday morning the Annual Meeting was held at the Historical Society.

The meeting opened on a sad note as we acknowledged the passing of George Mazurek, our Secretary Carols' husband.

Cherryl Fleming from NSW has joined the committee. She is a relatively new member to the Society and the committee welcomes her and looks forward to her fresh perspective.

An update to the Constitution is being undertaken by Barry Casey to ensure that we comply with the updates to the Associations Incorporation Act 2012. It was also moved that all animals on public display **MUST** be dehorned. This encompasses field days, demonstrations youth competitions and agricultural shows. The next Annual Meeting will be held in the Warragul Area so put a note in your calendars for the weekend of the 10th October 2015.

Royal Melbourne Show 2014

The Welsh Black breed was represented again this year in the Borthwick Trophy with 2 animals prepared by Rutherglen High School and 1 animal prepared by Team H. Congratulations to all those who were involved in the preparation of these animals it was a tidy turnout that they should all be proud of. The Stock & Land has a great photo of the team in their photo gallery.

We hope that members will again be generous in donating animals to Rutherglen and Team H as they are very enthusiastic in preparing, presenting and participating in all that is involved with the Carcasse Section at the Royal Melbourne Show.

Welsh Blacks out & about

Jill & Allan have again been busy with the Spring Show circuit and took a team to Dandenong Show on the 8th November and Clunes Show on the 15.

Buchanan Park Principal returned to Clunes to defend his title of Champion Male and did not disappoint.



NEW Herd Book.

The Society has decided to put together a new Herd Book, so you as members, can have an update on registered animals in the Australian Welsh Black Breed. If you would like to have animals listed that have not been registered, you will need to have them registered with the Society no later than the 31st December, 2014. This has been changed from the end of June to the end of December.

If you would like a copy of any older copies, they are available from Carol for \$20.

TATTOO LETTERS FOR 2014

PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE HAS BEEN A MISTAKE MADE ON THE CATTLE REGISTRATION FORMS WHICH SHOW FOR THE YEAR 2014 THE LETTER IS “LL”. THE LETTER FOR 2014 IS “KK”. See more below.

For the year 2014, the tattoo letters will be “KK”, until we get to the letter “Q” which will be for the year 2019. Keep in mind there is NO “II” or “OO”. The reason for the change is to bring our lettering in line with the Australian Breed Standards. The reason for using the double lettering is to distinguish “JJ” from “J” which was used in 2006. If you have questions, please contact one of your committee members. **So for the year 2014, you will need to dig out your “K” names again.**

As we say farewell to 2014, please remember that registrations for 2015 will be “LL”.

Membership

If you no longer require full membership, for whatever reason, and would like to continue receiving news from the Society, have you considered becoming an Associate Member? There is a cost to producing this News Letter which the Society tries to cover, as advertising does not cover all the expenses. As of 2010 our Senior Membership is \$100, junior is \$20 and Associate Membership is \$40 per year.

Welsh Black Merchandise.

Your Welsh Black Society committee has put into place a system for you to choose what sort of merchandise you would like for yourself. We are working with Bairnsdale Menswear & Corporate Apparel. The Australian Welsh Black logo has been registered with them as the main logo. You can either supply your own merchandise or go to the website of Biz Collection at www.bizcollection.com.au and look at their catalogue for an item/s you would like embroidered with the Welsh Black logo. There would have to be thousands of options there for you to choose from. Please quote the Style Code in the catalogue. The contact at Bairnsdale Workwear is Melissa Rodier, email:

bmsales@gippsafety.com.au Or phone 03 5152 5900. If you send an email, please mark it to Melissa’s attention. If you also wanted extra embroidery added, that can also be arranged e.g. your stud name or logo. The cost to have the Welsh Black logo done is only \$10, plus the cost of the garment. To have your garment done will only cost \$10. There could also be postage on top of this. Please feel free to contact myself, Colin, for more information.

Don’t forget that we do still have some of the older merchandise available, such as, rugby tops, black polo shirts, windcheaters, uniform show vests, uniform red ties and stubby holders. Please contact Carol or myself if you’re interested in any of these items.

Welsh Black Peak Caps.

They are a black cap with the Australian Welsh Black logo on the front (see logo on top of News Letter). If you would like to purchase one or two, please contact Carol Mazurek. The cost is \$20 per cap plus postage. If necessary, we can purchase more as required.

Welsh Black Stickers.

The Society has had Welsh Black Cattle stickers printed. These are 220 x 50 mm; have the Australian Welsh Black logo on the left with, "Welsh Black Cattle" after that. If any members would like some stickers, please let either Carol or myself know.

Ruralco/CGU Insurance

For those of you who are not aware, CGU Insurance gives a commission to the Welsh Black Cattle Society for any policies taken out by members or friends associated with our Society. This commission is from your annual premiums, not just your initial premium. For many years Ray Maxwell was the person to contact for insurance. After many years of excellent service, Ray has retired. I say excellent service because with all the dealings I had with Ray, I could not fault his service.

Georgia Mallia has taken over from Max and is available on 03 5782 1943 or 0428 302 928 at the Kilmore office. With the dealings I've had with Georgia since Ray retired, I've found her to be an excellent person to deal with and one who "knows her stuff". Please contact me if I can help more or you need more info.

Receiving Your News Letter:

This News Letter is distributed in two ways, via email and post. As you can imagine, it's much easier via email. If you are presently receiving this through the post and feel your email would be OK and you're happy to receive the News Letter via email, **could you please let me know as printing is getting difficult.** Originally I wanted this to pay for itself through advertising, but I'm afraid that's not happening due to lack of support, which brings me to advertising.

Advertising Aside from advertising your own stud, do you know of a business that would put an advertisement in, or do you have a business besides your cattle? Rates are very reasonable and it's a lot cheaper than using stock agents. Advertising in this News Sheet has worked well in the past for many of our members. Advertising rates are: 1/8 page \$10.00; 1/4 page \$20.00; 1/2 page \$40.00. If at all possible, could you please email your completed advertisement to me. Thanks.

Please note, these are the same rates as 6 years ago.

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Editor



On behalf of the committee I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a safe and healthy New Year.