



AUSTRALIAN AYRSHIRES NEWSLETTER

January 2022

Hi Ayrshire Members,

Hoping you all had a fabulous Xmas and Happy New Year.

For those members exhibiting at IDW this year – I trust your preparations are progressing well and wish you the best of luck for judging on Tuesday 18/1/22.

2021 AGM/ Federal Council

During last year's AGM held in December, we had three nominations for four vacancies on Federal Council. Returning Directors are Caitlin Hentschke and Kelvin Haberle, with James Dillion being a new member to Federal Council. The subsequent election of Office Bearers resulted in members being elected for the following positions:

President	Greg Klatt
Vice President	Anthea Day
Treasurer	Cheryl Liebich
Secretary	LBC

The Federal Council discussed the remaining vacancy on the Council and decided to approach Paul Timbs to fill this vacancy as Paul is the Australian Ayrshires delegate for the LBC Board. Paul has accepted this invitation and is now a serving Council Director.

The current Australian Ayrshires Board comprises:

Greg Klatt	Anthea Day	Cheryl Liebich	Karl Munden	Emma Ludington
James Dillon	Kelvin Haberle	Caitlin Hentschke	Michael Eagles	Paul Timbs

Please feel free to contact any of the Board members if you have any concerns or enquiries.

We would like to acknowledge and thank outgoing Board member Bill Macadam for his contribution to the Ayrshire breed and Federal Committee during his time on Committee, dating back to AABA, the society amalgamation and the inception of Australian Ayrshires, and wish him well as the outgoing Vice President.

2021 All Australian Photo Competition/Production Awards/Cow of the Year

With a reduction in the numbers of exhibitors and spectators at this year's IDW, it has been decided to present the winners of the 2021 All Australian Photo Competition/Production Awards/Cow of the Year competitions through a ZOOM conference, to be held at the end of January/early February. Date and time to be confirmed and notified to all members.

2021 On Farm Challenge Champion of Champions

The Federal Committee have introduced a National Champion of Champions competition, from state 2021 On Farm Challenge winners. This year an overall Champion will be awarded, with the potential to expand this National competition to include Intermediate and Junior Champions in future years.

Kevin Smith from Hillcrest Ayrshire Stud has kindly accepted our invitation to judge this year's Champion of Champions. Presentation date and time to be confirmed and advised to all members.

IDW 2022

The Federal Committee are arranging to hold an informal social gathering of Australian Ayrshire members on Tuesday night 18/1/22 (time and location will be confirmed). If you are attending IDW, and would like further details, please contact either Anthea, Karl, or James.

This function will be funded by the Federal Committee, and free to all Australian Ayrshire members, IDW Ayrshire exhibitors and their helpers.

Elite Ayrshire Sale 2022

The Board are investigating the possibility of holding an elite Ayrshire sale during 2022 - the format of the sale will be a virtual sale using the DLS and Elite Livestock Auction Platforms. A sub-committee has been elected from the Board to investigate the logistics and potential for holding a virtual sale. This sub-committee will ask for catalogue nominations and associated details from interested members in due course.

2021 Virtual Heifer Show

The results of the Virtual Heifer Show arranged by Lachlan Moore with the assistance of the NSW State Branch will be announced on a date and time to be confirmed, members will be advised.

Australian Ayrshire Journal 2022

Caitlin Hentschke has been working diligently on the 2022 Journal which is well advanced in its preparation.

Greg Klatt
President
Australian Ayrshires