



MELBOURNE
ROYAL
FLEECE COMPETITION



2024 **Schedule**

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Supporter *List*

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Important Information for *Exhibitors*

In 2024, the Melbourne Royal Fleece Competition will be judged prior to the Melbourne Royal Show on Friday 13 September.

Exhibitors are invited to attend the day, view the fleeces being judged and join the Melbourne Royal Fleece Committee for the presentation of awards.

As a valued Fleece exhibitor, you are invited to attend the Livestock Pavilion during the Melbourne Royal Sheep competition from 26–27 September as it plays host to Victoria's sheep and wool industries.

Every effort will be made to display all exhibits entered in the Fleece Competition for the duration of the Melbourne Royal Show.

Awards Presentation

Judging will commence at 9.00am in the Livestock Pavilion on Friday 13 September. Exhibitors are invited to attend lunch afterwards at 12:30 pm, and the Awards Presentation following the Judging, to be held from 1:00pm.

Entry Fees, Close of Entries Date

Enter online at melbourneroyal.com.au/fleece

Entry fees:

- \$18 per exhibit (GST free) entry fee (Melbourne Royal Members)
- \$25 per exhibit (GST free) entry fee (non-Members)
- Free for donated fleeces, District Fleece Competition

Entries close Friday 9 August 2024.

Donated Fleeces

Sheep Fleece exhibitors will again have the option to donate their fleeces for sale. In 2024, the proceeds of the sale will go to [Strength to Give: Australian Bone Marrow Registry](#).

The sale of the District Fleece will support Legacy.

Nutrien Ag generously facilitates the sale of fleece at no charge to Melbourne Royal or exhibitors.

Fleece Delivery & Collection

Delivery

Thursday 4 July 2024 to Friday 9 August 2024

Deliver to:

Melbourne Royal Fleece Competition
Australian Wool Handlers ATT Craig O'Connor
Gate 4, AWH
5–29 Frederick Road
Brooklyn VIC 3012

OR

Fleece Competition Manager
Melbourne Royal
Gate 5, Langs Road
Melbourne Showgrounds
Ascot Vale VIC 3032

An exhibit card must be placed inside each fleece bag.

Collection

Fleece Collection Dates: Monday 7 October 2024 9:00am to Friday 25 October 2024 5:00pm

Please email sheep@melbourneroyal.com.au to arrange a pick up time. Further details to be provided at time of contact.

2024 Melbourne Royal Fleece Competition

Australasian Lambs' Wool Championship

ENTRY FEES: \$18.00 Member, \$25.00 Non-Member, \$0.00 Donated

LB1 – SUPERFINE MERINO LAMBS' WOOL

LB2 – FINE MERINO LAMBS' WOOL

LB3 – MEDIUM MERINO LAMBS' WOOL

LB4 – STRONG MERINO LAMBS' WOOL

LB5 – POLWARTH LAMBS' WOOL

LB6 – CORRIEDALE LAMBS' WOOL

LB7 – COMEBACK LAMBS' WOOL

LB8 – CROSSBRED LAMBS' WOOL

LB9 – BRITISH LONGWOOL LAMBS' WOOL

LB10S – BEST MERINO LAMBS' WOOL

Eligible Classes: LB1 – LB4

PRIZE: 1ST ROSETTE

LB11S – BEST POLWARTH OR CORRIEDALE LAMBS' WOOL

Eligible Classes: LB5, LB6

PRIZE: 1ST ROSETTE

LB12S – BEST COMEBACK OR CROSSBRED LAMBS' WOOL

Eligible Classes: LB7, LB8

PRIZE: 1ST ROSETTE

LB13S – BEST BRITISH LONGWOOL LAMBS' WOOL

Eligible Classes: LB9

PRIZE: 1ST ROSETTE

LB14S – CHAMPION LAMBS' WOOL

Eligible Classes: LB10S, LB11S, LB12S, LB13S

PRIZE: 1ST SASH

PRIZE: \$200 SUPPORTED BY UNITED WOOL COMPANY

LB15S – MOST SUCCESSFUL AUSTRALASIAN LAMBS' WOOL EXHIBITOR

Points allotted on the basis of first, 3 points; second, 2 points; third, 1 point. Where points are equal, the highest number of first prizes will decide award.

Eligible Classes: LB1 – LB9

PRIZE: 1ST SASH, TROPHY

Skirted Fleece

ENTRY FEES: \$18.00 Member, \$25.00 Non-Member, \$0.00 Donated

SK1 – SKIRTED FLEECE OF ULTRA FINE MERINO RAM'S WOOL

SK2 – SKIRTED FLEECE OF ULTRA FINE MERINO EWE OR WETHER'S WOOL

SK3S – BEST ULTRA FINE MERINO FLEECE

Eligible Classes: SK1, SK2

PRIZE: 1ST ROSETTE

SK4 – SKIRTED FLEECE OF SUPERFINE MERINO RAM'S WOOL

SK5 – SKIRTED FLEECE OF SUPERFINE MERINO EWE OR WETHER'S WOOL

SK6S – BEST SUPERFINE MERINO FLEECE

Eligible Classes: SK4, SK5

PRIZE: 1ST ROSETTE

SK7 – SKIRTED FLEECE OF FINE MERINO RAM'S WOOL

SK8 – SKIRTED FLEECE OF FINE MERINO EWE OR WETHER'S WOOL

SK9S – BEST FINE MERINO FLEECE

Eligible Classes: SK7, SK8

PRIZE: 1ST ROSETTE

SK10 – SKIRTED FLEECE OF MEDIUM MERINO RAM'S WOOL

SK11 – SKIRTED FLEECE OF MEDIUM MERINO EWE OR WETHER'S WOOL

SK12S – BEST MEDIUM MERINO FLEECE

Eligible Classes: SK10, SK11

PRIZE: 1ST ROSETTE

SK13 – SKIRTED FLEECE OF STRONG MERINO RAM'S WOOL

SK14 – SKIRTED FLEECE OF STRONG MERINO EWE OR WETHER'S WOOL

SK15S – BEST STRONG MERINO FLEECE

Eligible Classes: SK13, SK14

PRIZE: 1ST ROSETTE

SK16 – SKIRTED FLEECE OF DOHNE RAM'S WOOL

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SK17 – SKIRTED FLEECE OF DOHNE EWE OR WETHER’S WOOL

SK18 – SKIRTED FLEECE OF CORRIEDALE RAM’S WOOL

SK19 – SKIRTED FLEECE OF CORRIEDALE EWE OR WETHER’S WOOL

SK20S – BEST CORRIEDALE FLEECE

Eligible Classes: SK18, SK19

PRIZE: 1ST ROSETTE

SK21S – MOST VALUABLE CORRIEDALE FLEECE

Eligible Classes: SK18, SK19

PRIZE: 1ST SASH

SK22 – SKIRTED FLEECE OF POLWARTH RAM’S WOOL

SK23 – SKIRTED FLEECE OF POLWARTH EWE OR WETHER’S WOOL

SK24S – BEST POLWARTH FLEECE

Eligible Classes: SK22, SK23

PRIZE: 1ST ROSETTE

SK25 – SKIRTED FLEECE OF ROMNEY RAM’S WOOL

SK26 – SKIRTED FLEECE OF ROMNEY EWE OR WETHER’S WOOL

SK27 – SKIRTED FLEECE OF BORDER LEICESTER RAM’S WOOL

SK28 – SKIRTED FLEECE OF BORDER LEICESTER EWE OR WETHER’S WOOL

SK29 – SKIRTED FLEECE OF ENGLISH LEICESTER RAM’S WOOL

SK30 – SKIRTED FLEECE OF ENGLISH LEICESTER EWE OR WETHER’S WOOL

SK31 – SKIRTED FLEECE OF LINCOLN RAM’S WOOL

SK32 – SKIRTED FLEECE OF LINCOLN EWE OR WETHER’S WOOL

SK33 – SKIRTED FLEECE OF CHEVIOT WOOL

SK34 – SKIRTED FLEECE OF DOWNS WOOL

SK35 – SKIRTED FLEECE OF FINN SHEEP WOOL

SK36 – SKIRTED FLEECE OF PERENDALE WOOL

SK37S – BEST BRITISH BREED FLEECE

Eligible Classes: SK25 – SK34, SK36

PRIZE: 1ST ROSETTE

PRIZE: \$75 SUPPORTED BY UNITED WOOL COMPANY

SK38S – BEST NON-MERINO FLEECE

Eligible Classes: SK16 – SK19, SK22, SK23, SK25 – SK36, SK41 – SK44

PRIZE: 1ST ROSETTE

SK39S – BEST NON-MERINO FLEECE FROM A COMMERCIAL GROWER

Eligible Classes: SK16 – SK19, SK22, SK23, SK25 – SK36, SK41 – SK44

PRIZE: 1ST ROSETTE

PRIZE: \$75 SUPPORTED BY UNITED WOOL COMPANY

SK40S – BEST MERINO FLEECE FROM A COMMERCIAL GROWER

Eligible Classes: SK1, SK2, SK4, SK5, SK7, SK8, SK10, SK11, SK13, SK14

PRIZE: 1ST ROSETTE

PRIZE: \$75 SUPPORTED BY UNITED WOOL COMPANY

SK41 – SKIRTED FLEECE OF FINE COMEBACK EWE OR WETHER’S WOOL, 25 MICRON & FINER

SK42 – SKIRTED FLEECE OF COMEBACK EWE OR WETHER’S WOOL, 25.1 – 27 MICRON

SK43 – SKIRTED FLEECE OF CROSSBRED EWE OR WETHER’S WOOL 27.1 – 30 MICRON

SK44 – SKIRTED FLEECE OF STRONG CROSSBRED EWE OR WETHER’S WOOL, 30.1 MICRON & BROADER

SK45S – BEST COMEBACK OR CROSSBRED FLEECE

Eligible Classes: SK41 – SK44

PRIZE: 1ST ROSETTE

PRIZE: \$75 SUPPORTED BY UNITED WOOL COMPANY

SK46S – CHAMPION SKIRTED FLEECE

Eligible Classes: SK1, SK2, SK4, SK5, SK7, SK8, SK10, SK11, SK13, SK14, SK16 – SK19, SK22, SK23, SK25 – SK36, SK41 – SK44

PRIZE: 1ST SASH

SK47S – MOST SUCCESSFUL SKIRTED FLEECE EXHIBITOR

Points allotted on the basis of first, 3 points; second, 2 points; third, 1 point. Where points are equal, the highest number of first prizes will decide award.

Eligible Classes: SK1, SK2, SK4, SK5, SK7, SK8, SK10, SK11, SK13, SK14, SK16 – SK19, SK22, SK23, SK25 – SK36, SK41 – SK44

PRIZE: 1ST SASH

SK48S – MOST VALUABLE SKIRTED FLEECE

All skirted fleeces will be automatically entered into this competition.

Eligible Classes: SK1, SK2, SK4, SK5, SK7, SK8, SK10, SK11, SK13, SK14, SK16 – SK19, SK22, SK23, SK25 – SK36, SK41 – SK44

PRIZE: 1ST SASH

PRIZE: \$150 SUPPORTED BY UNITED WOOL COMPANY

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Black & Coloured Fleece

ENTRY FEES: \$18.00 Member, \$25.00 Non-Member, \$0.00 Donated

BC1 – EXTRA FINE BLACK & COLOURED FLEECE, 64S & FINER, 21.9 MICRON & FINER

BC2 – FINE BLACK & COLOURED FLEECE, 58S – 60S, 22 – 25.5 MICRON

BC3 – MEDIUM BLACK & COLOURED FLEECE, 50S – 56S, 25.6 – 30 MICRON

BC4 – STRONG BLACK & COLOURED FLEECE, 44S – 46S, 30.1 – 38 MICRON

BC5 – EXTRA STRONG BLACK & COLOURED FLEECE, 40S & STRONGER, 38.1 MICRON & BROADER

BC6 – BEST HOGGET FLEECE, ANY COUNT, UP TO 12 MONTHS GROWTH, SHOWING LAMB'S WOOL TIP

BC7 – BEST SAMPLE BLACK & COLOURED LAMBS' WOOL, 450 GRAMS, ANY COUNT/MICRON

BC8S – CHAMPION BLACK & COLOURED FLEECE

Eligible Classes: BC1 – BC7

PRIZE: 1ST SASH

PRIZE: \$150 SUPPORTED BY UNITED WOOL COMPANY

BC9S – BLACK & COLOURED FLEECE MOST SUITABLE FOR CRAFT

This class recognises the most valuable use of Black & Coloured wool. All Black & Coloured fleeces will be automatically entered.

PRIZE: 1ST ROSETTE

BC10S – MOST SUCCESSFUL BLACK & COLOURED FLEECE EXHIBITOR

Points allotted on the basis of first, 3 points; second, 2 points; third, 1 point. Where points are equal, the highest number of first prizes will decide award.

Eligible Classes: BC1 – BC7

PRIZE: 1ST SASH

Victorian District Fleece Championship

DS1 – CHAMPION MERINO FLEECE – GIPPSLAND DISTRICT/PORT PHILLIP DISTRICT

PRIZE: 1ST SASH

DS2 – CHAMPION MERINO FLEECE – WIMMERA DISTRICT

PRIZE: 1ST SASH

DS3 – CHAMPION MERINO FLEECE – NORTH EASTERN/MURRAY VALLEY DISTRICT

PRIZE: 1ST SASH

DS4 – CHAMPION MERINO FLEECE – NORTHERN DISTRICT

PRIZE: 1ST SASH

DS5 – CHAMPION MERINO FLEECE – WESTERN/SOUTH WESTERN DISTRICT

PRIZE: 1ST SASH

DS6 – CHAMPION MERINO FLEECE – GOULBURN VALLEY RIVERINA DISTRICT

PRIZE: 1ST SASH

DS7 – CHAMPION MERINO FLEECE – MIDLANDS/CENTRAL & UPPER GOULBURN DISTRICT

PRIZE: 1ST SASH

DS8 – CHAMPION NON-MERINO FLEECE – GIPPSLAND/PORT PHILLIP DISTRICT

PRIZE: 1ST SASH

DS9 – CHAMPION NON-MERINO FLEECE – WIMMERA DISTRICT

PRIZE: 1ST SASH

DS10 – CHAMPION NON-MERINO FLEECE – NORTH EASTERN/MURRAY VALLEY DISTRICT

PRIZE: 1ST SASH

DS11 – CHAMPION NON-MERINO FLEECE – NORTHERN DISTRICT

PRIZE: 1ST SASH

DS12 – CHAMPION NON-MERINO FLEECE – WESTERN/SOUTH WESTERN DISTRICT

PRIZE: 1ST SASH

DS13 – CHAMPION NON-MERINO FLEECE – GOULBURN VALLEY RIVERINA DISTRICT

PRIZE: 1ST SASH

DS14 – CHAMPION NON-MERINO FLEECE – MIDLANDS/CENTRAL & UPPER GOULBURN DISTRICT

PRIZE: 1ST SASH

DS15S – CHAMPION DISTRICT FLEECE

PRIZE: 1ST SASH

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Other Awards

FL1S – POLWARTH SHEEP BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA (VICTORIA BRANCH) PERPETUAL CHALLENGE

Awarded to the most attractive Polwarth fleece in the Show. To be eligible for this trophy, ram fleeces must not weigh less than 4.9kg and ewe fleeces no less than 3.4kg.
Eligible Classes: SK22, SK23

FL2S – THE HENRY W. HOPKINS MEMORIAL AWARD

The award is for the highest points from a first time exhibitor and can be drawn from either the skirted fleece or lambs' wool classes.

Eligible Classes: LB1 – LB9, SK1, SK2, SK4, SK5, SK7, SK8, SK10, SK11, SK13, SK14, SK16 – SK19, SK22, SK23, SK25 – SK36, SK41 – SK44, BC1 – BC7

PRIZE: 1ST SASH, TROPHY SUPPORTED BY **DOUG HOPKINS**

FL3S – MOST SUCCESSFUL EXHIBITOR IN SHOW

Awarded to the most successful exhibitor of the Show, drawn from either the skirted fleece or lambs' wool classes.

Eligible Classes: LB1 – LB9, SK1, SK2, SK4, SK5, SK7, SK8, SK10, SK11, SK13, SK14, SK16, SK16 – SK19, SK22, SK23, SK25 – SK36, SK41 – SK44, BC1 – BC7

PRIZE: 1ST SASH

FL4S – MOST VALUABLE COMMERCIAL FLEECE

Eligible Classes: SK1, SK2, SK4, SK5, SK7, SK8, SK10, SK11, SK13, SK14, SK16 – SK19, SK22, SK23, SK25 – SK36, SK41 – SK44

PRIZE: 1ST SASH

PRIZE: \$200 SUPPORTED BY UNITED WOOL COMPANY



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