



The Orpington Club of Australia (Inc.)

'The National Show edition The Orpington Outlook'



Champion Orpington in Show.

Large black pullet owned by Karen Bussian
National Orpington Show - Harden, NSW

**Established in 1985 the Orpington Club of Australia is dedicated to
promote and protect this stately breed.
*'We do best what we do together'***

From the Presidents Shed

Hello Orpingtonians,
Well, situation normal, National Orp show another outstanding success !

The club executive once again put in the hard yards to bring us all a most enjoyable weekend, thanks guys and girls for your super efforts. Harden Poultry Club did us proud with brand new corflute pens and a warm welcome. The dinner they provided too was memorable, so thank you to Dale and your club.



Once again, old friendships were rekindled and new ones made. I was most pleased to touch base with some of our newer members, please know that every single one of you is valuable to us and the great Orpington breed. I hope you stay with us, and have no hesitation in asking questions or for information, the club is here to serve you.

Terrific too to see the girls from Queensland and Cliff Wiechelt from WA. Their passion for their Orpingtons can only be admired, and I have great hopes for the breed in these states with these guys and gals on board. Cliff also did an admirable job with stewarding for judge Kim George, his first go at it actually, so well done Cliff.

Whilst most of the birds were of a very high standard, I think the Black Large proved to be a standout for me. Type is right, size is right and I could go on. Suffice to say that the breeders of these beautiful birds are setting a very high benchmark for the other colours to follow.

I must mention too the superb Buff and White bantams benched by Bluey Callinan in his "swansong" show. I remember when Buff bantams were just being formulated many years ago (I had some myself), but Bluey has taken these to a level comparable to the marvellous European birds we see in Dallas's book. I believe this stock and the Whites have found new homes with very good breeders, so hopefully the future of these colours is secure.

All in all, I'm still on a high from "our" show and can't wait to get chicks on the ground, but after seeing some of the marvellous birds benched at this year's National I reckon I'll have to really lift my game !

My best wishes to you all,

Simon

From the Secretary's desk.

Wow hasn't the 2017 show season been a good one for Orpingtons.

As you will see from this Outlook which is Our National Show report special the quality of both Large and Bantams on display has been outstanding. Up north in QLD a resurgence in recent years has seen good numbers on show, out in the west (WA) thanks to some energetic



younger members the quality Orps is getting back to somewhere close to those shown in the legendary Cliff Saggars day's. The more established states of VIC and NSW are also undergoing some change ups with lots of relatively new converts to the breed exhibiting this magnificent fowl and in SA and TAS there are a few stalwarts keeping the breed in the public eye.

As many of you will know I am limited to only attending Orpington Shows each year with the National a must followed by a Royal and a Feature. The very nature of planning, plotting, preparing and presenting birds at these shows is a big part of keeping this magnificent breed. A bigger part of that attendance however is the people who make it such a pleasure to make it off of the farmlet /out of the office. As Simon our proud Pres often states we are one of – if not THE- friendliest National Breed club(s) around. We are lucky to have some passionate and proud members who care deeply for the breed, who are happy to share good stock with new and old members alike, who are highly experienced and open to sharing that experience in a way that is a not confrontational, who love sharing the success of others in the show pen.

As you would have also read in my 2017 AGM report like many other institutions the Orpington Club of Australia is facing a few challenges. We have a 1000+ face book followers but less than 100 paid up members of which around only 40 or so show their birds on an irregular basis. Those members live in all states but our National Show is really only accessible to a few. There are new colours of Orpingtons being developed at rapid pace but the gene pool of the standard colours is rapidly diminishing.

From discussions before and during the Clubs 2017 National Show and AGM it was agreed by those present that we consider how to build the Clubs connection and relevance and at the same time ensuring the reasons why the Club was formed in 1986 were honoured, maintained and developed.

Firstly our physical structure was updated to reflect that while our National Show is the most important date of the Orpington year we need to do more to develop local/state links. Following the 2017 AGM we now have state reps in WA, SA, TAS, QLD, NSW and VIC- all their details are on the Club page- who will both inform and input into the development of the newly initiated National Orpington 3P's Breed Plan- which is the second major change- and which all members will have the opportunity to develop further and hopefully support.

The 3P's stand for Preserve, Promote and Protect which are the foundation pillars upon which the Club was formed and it makes sense for the Breed Plan to reflect them.

So far the 3P's Breed plan has been developed through initial discussions between the National Executive and State Reps.

Those discussions have clarified the role of the State Reps and four interlinked points of focus for the 2017-18 Orpington Year.

For your information the role of the State Reps has been drafted to read;

- Organising the State Orpington Feature shows.
- Visiting the yards of Orpington breeders and showing some interest locally.
- Helping with the running of the National show!
- At all times promoting the National Show as "the event bigger than Xmas day in the Australian Orpington Calendar"
- Helping the National Exec where ever possible.
- Being available to the state membership and breeders.
- Develop a knowledge of the main breeding lines, so that the Club is in a position to link people with birds they may need to improve their breeding program.

The 3P's Breed Plan is looking at the National and State Show scheduling, the quality of judging of Orpingtons and growing a sustainable, interested membership.

So for the 2017-18 Club Year the actions include;

- Achieve an entry of 300 birds at the 2018 National Orpington Show at Dubbo on Saturday 30th June 2018.
- Support/Provide & Promote at least one feature show in each of SA, Tas, VIC, NSW, QLD and WA state as part of an overall Show Calendar that complements the National Show date (and fits with the states show/breeding season) – see the 2018 show date section in this newsletter for the latest updates.
- Set in motion an agreed 2018 Judging panel. We also hope to organise a state based judging school from which specialist Orp judges can be invited to judge at shows where the Club has opportunity to nominate and from which the National Show Judge (s) should be appointed from.
- Set a target of 40 Financial members and 80 Outlook Online Subscribers for the 2018-19 Club year - (2016-17 final total of Financial members was 81). Probably this is the hardest area for the Club to progress in and some of the suggestions to date have been and need to be -quite bold as it impacts on both the Clubs financials and governance.

Having carefully considered budget and governance implications it is proposed that in addition to the Club having a Financial Membership option we will now introduce a separate online only e-news subscription. Effective from 1st January 2018 – the date that all financial membership applications & renewals take the member through to 30th April 2019- it is proposed that the Club offers an online only e-news subscription option for the Orpington Outlook.

Set at \$10 per financial year the subscriber would receive up to 4 editions of the Clubs e-newsletter during this period.

All online subscriber fees will fall due on the 1st May annually- this consistency of date will make administration simpler.

As per the current constitution only financial members can serve as a Club Office bearers and enter the National Orpington Show. In addition full financial members will receive Outlooks (either online or printed) and a discount and/or priority access to any Club merchandise.

The annual Financial membership fee for 2018-19 will remain at \$20 – with an online subscriber being able to upgrade for \$10 should they enter into the National Orpington Show that year or wish to vote on Club matters etc.

Junior fees will remain at \$10 per annum and will receive full financial member benefits – without the AGM voting right.

The 3P's working group has tried to consider these initiatives from a range of perspectives and we have general agreement that the Club can't go on the way it is and be true to its original principles By adopting the online world in an attempt to build a broader reach the Committee hopes we will build greater engagement with the broader Orpington keeping community. Nothing ventured nothing gained!

I think that's all for now. As always any questions give me a buzz or drop me an email.

Cheers

Martin D

Best contact is via email secretary@orpingtonaustralia.com

2017 National Show Gallery



**Champion Orpington in Show
Large Black Pullet: K. Bussian**

The Will Burdett Trophy
The Jim Blatch Shield
The Club Cup
Sash from New Zealand Orpington Club
Champion Black In Show
The Jim Blatch Award
**Commemorative Medal from
Landsklubben Denmark for Best Exhibitor
in Large.**



**Reserve Champion Orpington in Show
Bantam Black Pullet: M. Lund**

Sash from New Zealand Orpington Club
**Commemorative Medals from Landsklubben
Denmark for Best Exhibitor in Bantam.**



**Champion Blue In Show
Bantam Hen: K. Bussian**

The Rob Lavender Award



**Champion Buff In Show
Bantam Pullet:
R. Callinan**

The Charlie Bishop Award
Buff Orpington Club UK Rosette.



**Champion White in Show
Large cockerel:**

Wanina Orpingtons

The White Rose Award for Best
Large White in Show- donated by
the Gibson Family Trust .



Champion Cuckoo in Show

Bantam cockerel: The Cuckoo Poultry Stud



Champion Large Blue:

Pullet owned by S. Ford



Reserve Champion Large Blue:

Pullet owned by S. Ford



Reserve Champion Large Black:

Cockerel owned by S. Ford



Champion Large Buff:

Pullet owned by S. Bevan



Reserve Champion Large Buff:

Pullet owned by S. Ford



Reserve Champion Large White:

Pullet owned by Waninga Orpingtons



Champion Bantam Blue:

Hen owned by K. Bussian



**Reserve Champion
Bantam Black:**
Cockerel owned by M. Lund



**Reserve Champion Bantam
Blue:**
Pullet owned by K. Bussian



**Reserve Champion
Bantam Buff:**
Pullet owned by R. Callinan



Champion Bantam White:
Cock owned by R. Callinan



**Reserve Champion
Bantam White:**
Cockerel owned by R. Callinan



**Reserve Champion
Bantam Cuckoo:**
Cock owned by R. Callinan



Champion Bantam Splash:
Hen owned by K. Bussian



**Reserve Champion Bantam
Splash:**
Pullet owned by K. Bussian



**Champion Bantam
AORC:**
owned by R. Callinan



Standard AORC:
owned by K. Bussian



Standard AORC:
owned by K. Bussian



**Reserve Champion
Bantam AORC:**
owned by K. Bussian



Weird & Wonderful:
owned by



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owned by



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owned by

Not pictured:

Champion Large Splash: Cockerel owned by Waninga Orpingtons

Champion Large Breeding pair: Miss A.R. Gibson

Photos provided by Mr. B. McGeachie



The awards on display prior to judging



Rob 'Blue' Callinan accepting the Dallas Smith
Floating trophy

National Orpington Show Judges Comments.

As taken by the Club Secretary ad verbatim from the Judges (Kim George) comments made to the pre AGM audience.

Thank you to the Orpington Club of Australia for the honour of judging the 2017 National Orpington Show and to the harden PC for their wonderful hospitality. Having seen the development of the breed in recent years I was hoping to handle some excellent specimens and I wasn't disappointed.

Overall the Large Blacks were the best colour on display with great evenness throughout and it was from here my Champion bird came from. In a big class of high quality birds the winning Large Black pullet was put down to perfection and with great size shape feather quality and colour stood out on the day. Deservedly Champion Bird of Show. Quality was throughout the Cocks, Ckls and Hens too and the placings could easily have changed on another day.

Generally the Bantams were in better feather than the large fowl which showed with Bantams taking out the champion colour award in Blue, Buff, Cuckoo and Splash. The Champion bantam (Black) was within a feather of taking out the bird of show award.

Large Blues were fairly even if not outstanding. They would be even better if the quality of lacing present on the Bantams could be transposed onto the Large fowl. The two winning bantams were as good as I have seen while the Champion Large Pullet was very well presented.

Similar comment to the Large Buffs where the depth of quality dropped off quite quickly after the carded birds. Variations in evenness of colour as well as narrowness of body was a real issue. The Buff Bantams were outstanding in colour and type.

Whites were very nice in both Large and Bantam and the owners should be congratulated on their excellent presentation and the gains they have made in this Orpington colour. The Bantam Ck took out best prepared and presented bird in show and is an example of how a bird should be penned.

Cuckoos were only in Bantam and were average examples of the colour.

Splash showed too much gold particularly in the Large with the winning Bantam a good example of an Orpington in this colour.

The AORC were dominated by Lavenders in both large and bantam. Again the owners are to be congratulated on the huge stride they have made to get the birds to this quality. They are looking like Orpingtons and have overcome some of the feather quality and colour shading issues this colour has in other poultry breeds.



Kim judging the large buffs



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Minutes of the 2017 Annual General meeting Saturday 23rd June 2017 Harden Showgrounds NSW Commencing at 1.30 pm

1. Welcome, Apologies and Attendance:

S. Beven, Mrs M Beven, R. Callinan, M. Doulton, Mrs P. Callinan, T. Trengove, Mrs J. Stannard, D. Stannard, R. Stanley, S. Ford, R. Gibson, Miss R. Gibson, A. Barlow, J. Stewart, Mrs K Bussian, R. Bussian, C. Weichert, Ms S. Venator. Mrs N. Hobson, Ms S. Knight, Steve Lippa, Mrs Rebecca Lippa, D Ashton, B McGeachie. Shay Moss.

Apologies: A Harvey, Mrs R. Daley, Ms R. Soares, A. Crane, J. Allchin, Ms V. Jerrett, D. Smith, R. Stanley, J. McKeown, Ms M. Shives, Ms C. McPaul, C. Hardman, Ms J. Witney. K. Bergin. B. Baker, Mrs K Goulding. Mrs M. Gavenlock, T. Dent, G. Rayment. Ron Leary, K Stewart. C Hardman

2. Minutes from 2016 AGM held at RAS Sydney NSW on 10th June 2016

- a. As Circulated in the Club Newsletter and approved as a true record. Motion for approval moved by J Stannard, Seconded. R. Callinan.

3. Matters Arising from previous AGM

- a. No matters arising

4. Reports

- a. Presidents Report- as circulated in June 2017 Outlook
- b. Secretary's Report- as circulated in June 2017 Outlook
- c. Financial Report- as circulated in June 2017 Outlook with amendment to Book assets (100 not 200)

That the three reports be accepted. Moved D Stannard. Seconded. R. Gibson. Approved.

5. Election of Officer- Motion to appoint Executive en bloc Proposed by Sonya Ford. Seconded. T Trengove. Approved.s

President- Simon Beven

Vice Presidents (2) Dennis Stannard & Judy Witney

Secretary/Treasurer- Martin Doulton

Foreign Correspondent – Rob Callinan.

Media and Marketing Officer- Jenny Stewart

Show Secretary- Suzanne Knight.

State Representatives- James Allchin (Tasmania), Trevor Dent (SA), Karen Bussian (QLD) Cliff Weichert (WA), Ross Gibson (NSW) Jenny Stewart (VIC)

6. Any Other Business

- a. Setting of Annual membership Fees for 2018-19.
 - i. That the Membership fees to remain at \$20 (Junior =\$10) for the 2018-19 Year. Moved. M Doulton Seconded R.Callinan. Approved.
- b. 2018 National Show Venue- The meeting was updated that the 2018 National Orpington Show would be Dubbo NSW on 30th June 2018.

Very positive and wide ranging discussion regarding structure of Club supported and feature shows, membership recruitment and retention options including member only Club FB page. Restructure of State Reps agreed to better cover all States rather than just the Northern and Southern committees. Meeting agreed for the need for a future development plan for the Club. Commitment made for wider consultation process and setting of such a 2018 plan including Budget by November 2017.

Meeting Closed at 2.15pm. Presentation of Club sashes, Trophies and UK Orpington Club certificates/ Buff Orpington Club rosettes/ NZ Orpington Club Sashes. Verbal Report from National Show Judge 2017 Judge Mr Kim George given prior to AGM.



Results by Class 2017 National Orpington Show (Total Birds 178)

Large (125)

Black (43)

Cock (3) Miss AR Gibson 1, S Ford 2 K Bussian 3.

Hen (12) Miss AR Gibson 1 & 2 S Ford 3

Ckl (10) S Ford Res Ch 1 Miss AR Gibson 2 K Bussian 3

Pullet (17) K Bussian Ch 1, Miss AR Gibson 2, S Ford 3.

Buff (30)

Cock (0)

Hen (0)

Ckl (12) S Beven 1 S Ford 2 & 3.

Pullet (18) S Beven Ch 1 S Ford Res Ch 2 & 3

Blue (19)

Cock (1 K Bussian)

Hen (1) S Ford.

Ckl (6) Waninga Orpingtons 1 & 2 K Bussian 3

Pullet (11) S Ford 1 Ch & Res Ch 2. J & D Stannard 3

White (5)

Cock (0)

Hen (2) S Ford 1 & 2.

Ckl (1) Waninga Orpingtons Ch 1

Pullet (2) Waninga Orpingtons Ch 1.

Cuckoo (0)

Splash (4)

Cock (0)

Hen (1) K Bussian 1

Ckl (2) Waninga Orpingtons Ch & 1. K Bussian Res Ch & 2.

Pullet (1) No Award.

AORC (10 – All Lavender)

Cock (1) Hen (5) Ckl (2) Pullet (2) All M Lund

Weird and Wonderful (5)

Female (5) K Bussian Cup winner 1 & 3 M Lund 2

Pairs

Black (1) Miss AR Gibson

Bantam (53)

Black (28)

Cock (2) K Bussian 1.

Hen (7) K Bussian 1 & 2. R Leary.

Ckl (6) M Lund Res Ch & 1 K Bussian 2 T Trengove 3

Pullet (11) M Lund Ch 7 1, K Bussian 2 T Trengove 3.

Buff (9)

Ckl (4) R Callinan 1 & 2 K Bussian 3.

Pullet (5) R Callinan Ch & Res Ch and 1 2 & 3

Blue (9)

Ck (1) K Bussian 1

Hen (2) K Bussian Ch 1 & 2.

Ckl (2) K Bussian 1 & 2

Pullet (4) K Bussian Res Ch 1 & 2

White (4)

Ck (1) Ckl (1) Pullet (2) All R Callinan Ch to Ck

Cuckoo (6)

Ck (1) R Callinan Res Ch & 1

Hen (3) Cuckoo Poultry Stud 1, 2

Ckl (2) Cuckoo Poultry Stud Ch 1 & 2.

AORC All Lavender (7)

Ck (1) R Callinan

Ckl (2) K Bussian 1 & 2

Pullet (4) R Callinan Ch & 1 K Bussian Res Ch 2 & 3

Pairs (0)

No Entries



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2018-2019 Membership year

APPLICATION/RENEWAL.

Name (Mr/Mrs/Ms.).....

Postal Address:State.....

Phone.....

Email Address.....

I Enclose

Adult Financial Membership \$20 p.a
(1st May to 30th April) \$.....

Junior (<16 years) Membership \$10 \$.....

Online Outlook Subscription \$10 per 4 editions \$.....

Donation \$.....
(please nominate your preference)

TOTAL \$.....

I keep the following Varieties:

LARGE		BANTAMS.	
BLACK		BLACK	
BUFF		BUFF	
BLUE		BLUE	
WHITE		WHITE	
CUCKOO		CUCKOO	
ANY OTHER VARIETY		ANY OTHER VARIETY	

STRIKE OUT WHICHEVER DOES NOT APPLY (/)

I OCCASIONALLY HAVE STOCK FOR SALE

YES/NO

I GIVE PERMISSION TO HAVE MY CONTACT DETAILS
PROVIDED.

YES/NO

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Direct deposit also available in Club Account BSB 062 549 Ac No 0090 1366

As of 1st May 2017 All Memberships are now due!
There is an easy way to pay Your MEMBERSHIPS

The Orpington Club of Australia membership year is from May 1st to April 30th the following year. New Memberships received between 1st January and 30th April 2017 automatically expire in the following year (to 30 April 2019)

Membership fees are \$20 for adults and \$10 for juniors which will get you at least 4 newsletters a year but more so the ability to connect with passionate fellow Orpington Breeders.

Download a form from www.orpingtonaustralia.com and either send your remittance to the Club Secretary Martin Doulton at: **965 Macclesfield Road, Yellingbo VIC 3139**

Or pay by Direct deposit into the Clubs account BSB 062 549 Ac No 0090 1366 Ac Name Orpington Club of Australia then send Martin an email with updated membership details, date and deposit details secretary@orpingtonaustralia.com

Now Available

Orpington Club of Australia Wall Calendars July 2017—June 2018

28 x 43 cm

\$20 each + \$5 for post in Aus. International post also available

Please contact Jenny Stewart
goldfeatherpoultry@bigpond.com



Dates for Your Diaries (or Calendars)

2018 Club Supported shows in your State

Date	Show	Venue/State
May 12	N-NSW Feature (Quirindi)	NSW
June 8-10	S-NSW Feature (Royal Canberra Poultry Show)	ACT
June 9	QLD Feature 1 (Dalby Feather Club)	QLD
June 30	National Orpington Club Show	Dubbo NSW
July 7-8	Royal Melbourne Poultry Show	VIC
July 8	Bulsbrook PC Show	WA
July 28	QLD Feature 2 (Rosewood PC)	QLD
August 4	Midland Poultry Club	WA
August 4	Vic Orpington Feature Show (OakleighPC)	VIC
September	Royal Adelaide Show	SA
September	Royal Perth	WA
	International Orpington Shows	
June	New Zealand Orpington Club National Show	NZ
Nov	The Buff Orpington Club (UK)	UK
Dec	The Orpington Club of GB	UK



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