

# 2025 EGG SCHEDULE

Entries close 9th May, 2025



Royal National Capital  
Agricultural Society

Feature Breed - Silkie

# ROYAL NATIONAL CAPITAL AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

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## FEATURE BREED

The feature breed for the 2025 Royal Canberra Poultry Show is:

### **SILKIE**

Classes 613 - 636 and 1268 - 1271

# JUDGES FOR 2025

<u>Group</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Judge appointed</u>	
	Specials	Dr Brendan Sharpe	NSW
1	Hardfeather Standard - Rare	Mr Mick O'Connell	NSW
2	Softfeather Standard - Heavy Rare	Mr Allan Harvey	NSW
3	Softfeather Standard - Light Rare and Welsummer Bantams	Mr Allan Harvey	NSW
4	Hardfeather Standard - Traditional	Mr Mick O'Connell	NSW
5	Softfeather Standard - Heavy Traditional	Mr Grahame Sharpe	NSW
6	Softfeather Standard - Light Traditional	Mr Grahame Sharpe	NSW
7	Hardfeather Bantam - Rare	Mr Malcolm Fuller	SA
8	Softfeather Bantam - Heavy Rare	Dr Brendan Sharpe	NSW
9	Softfeather Bantam - Light Rare except Welsummer Bantams	Dr Brendan Sharpe	NSW
10	Softfeather Bantam - True Rare	Dr Brendan Sharpe	NSW
11	Hardfeather Bantam - Traditional	Mr Malcolm Fuller Mr Guy Fahey	SA NSW
12	Softfeather Bantam - Heavy Traditional	Mr Phillip Tisdell	NSW
13	Softfeather Bantam - Light Traditional	Mr John Graveur	NSW
14	Softfeather Bantam - True Traditional	Mr John Graveur	NSW
15 – 21	Waterfowl (Rare & Traditional)	Mr Joel Stingle	Tasmania
22	Turkey (Rare)	Ms Megg Miller AOM	Victoria
23	Guinea Fowl	Ms Megg Miller AOM	Victoria
24	Eggs	Mr Peter Tisdell	NSW

# Rules and Conditions of Entry

**Opening Date for Entries** - Entries will open on **Tuesday 15 April 2025**

**Closing Date for Poultry Entries – 9 May 2025** - Entries are limited and will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. The competition will close **4:30pm Friday 9 May 2025** or once the maximum number of entries has been received, whichever comes first. Early submission is strongly encouraged.

Closing Date for EGG Entries – 16 May 2025

ENTRY FEES		
COMMERCIAL EGGS	\$50.00	PER ENTRY
PLATE OF 4 EGGS - (Classes 1670 - 1687)	\$4.00	PER ENTRY
SINGLE EGG CLASSES	\$2.00	PER ENTRY

Entry fees must accompany your application for entry and **ARE NOT REFUNDABLE**.

## Junior Entrants

Enter their exhibits in the OPEN CLASSES except where noted in the EGG COMPETITION. Enter as a junior on their entry. Be under 15 years old on June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025. Prepare, pen and care for the birds they enter.

## Entry Restrictions

It is anticipated that all entries received will be accepted. However, the Committee reserves the right to reduce the number of entries accepted in any class or classes should there be insufficient penning space to accommodate all entries. The Committee encourages early entry and reserves the right to declare entries closed if maximum capacity is reached prior to the closing date for entries. (Full shed)

## Health & Cleanliness of Exhibits

- Exhibitors are requested to ensure their exhibits are in good health and condition when delivered to the Poultry pavilion. Exhibits showing signs of sickness, disease, vermin, or poor condition may be refused acceptance and removed by the Chief Steward. Entry fees will not be refunded.
- Exhibitors are requested to ensure that exhibits are clean by examining their birds for lice and vermin prior to delivery.
- Interstate exhibitors will be welcome, but they are asked to check with the appropriate government department in their home state / territory to ascertain details of any special health regulations to be met before birds may be forwarded to, or returned from the ACT.

### Property Identification Code (PIC)

The RNCAS Committee hereby request owners of all species of poultry to be compliant with the requirements of PICs. PIC Requirement;

- **A PIC number** is required for any holding on which are held 100 or more chickens' turkeys, guinea fowl, ducks, geese, quail, pigeons (including racing pigeons), pheasant or partridge and 10 or more of emus and / or ostriches.
- **Compliance**  
The onus is on individual property and stock owners to comply with PIC requirements under clause 29 of the *Stock Diseases Act 2009*. There is no active surveillance for, or compliance of, PICs for property on which Poultry are held.
- **RNCAS PIC Number**  
The RNCAS of EPIC Showground PIC number for compliant Exhibitors recording the details of their bird's movements is **NG 750 154**

### Entry Acceptance

- Any exhibitor agrees to comply with the General Regulations of the Royal National Capital Agricultural Society - [RNCAS Regulations](#).
- No exhibit entered in a wrong class will be allowed to compete, and the entry fee in respect of such exhibit will be forfeited.
- Exhibitors are responsible for entering their exhibits into the correct gender and age classes.
- The decision of the Judges shall be accepted as final. All entries will be judged as per the guidelines of the Australia Poultry Standards 2<sup>nd</sup> edition and addendum for traditional breeds.
- No trimming, plucking, dyeing of feathers, legs or any other fraudulent practice will be allowed, and every exhibitor will be deemed to be, and will be held responsible for the condition in which their exhibit appears in the pen.
- Any protests shall be considered by the Committee as soon as possible after lodgement, and their decision shall be final for this show.
- Whenever any exhibit has been disqualified the Committee may also disqualify the exhibitor thereof from exhibiting at future shows of the Society and may declare forfeited all prizes awarded to them.
- Should any exhibit which has been awarded a prize be disqualified, the next in order of merit on the Judge's award card shall not necessarily be entitled to the prize, but the matter shall be determined by the Committee.
- No bird other than an exhibit in respect of which application for entry has been accepted by the Society shall be brought onto the Showground by any exhibitor or other person except with the consent of the Chief Executive Officer or nominated delegate.
- No bird other than an exhibit shall be displayed or offered for sale on the Showground except as part of a Trade Stand and then with the consent of the Chief Executive Officer or nominated delegate.
- An exhibitor must not cover any exhibit during the period the pavilion is open to the public unless at the direction of the Chief Steward.
- **If biosecurity restrictions allow for photographing of exhibits, these birds may only be removed with the approval of the Chief Steward or Supervising Steward, who will appoint another steward to attend while the birds are being photographed.**
- The Chief Steward or Show Manager may sanction the removal of birds from pens should this be required to conduct judging.
- **Exhibitors are responsible to feed and water their own exhibits.**
  - Exhibitors should supply feed for their birds throughout the show. Some feed will be available if necessary, during the show.

- Given the short duration of the show the Committee recommends exhibitors bring their own feed supplies and continue to feed their birds their normal ration to avoid potential setbacks.
- Every pen will have a drinker. Watering cans will be available.
- If birds are not familiar with “treated town water” it may be that exhibitors choose to bring familiar water for their birds.
- Birds should always have water available to them. Prior to judging however, some exhibitors prefer to remove water from exhibits until they have been assessed. Should water be removed by exhibitors the drinkers must be immediately returned to the inside of the pen.
- Overfeeding is not recommended.
- Welfare of exhibited birds is of highest priority.
- The Committee will appoint 2 Welfare Stewards whose task it will be to identify any unwell or stressed birds that might require attention, feed or water.

### Arrival and Penning Dates

- Exhibitors are invited to pen their birds on:
- **Friday 6th June 2025 between 8:00am and 6.30pm**
- **Saturday 7th June 2025 between 6.20am and 7:50am**  
Any exhibit not penned within the designated time frame may be refused entry to the pavilion.

### Removal of Exhibits (Unpenning)

- **Unpenning is available on Sunday 8th June 2025 between 2:10pm and 4:20pm** and will be managed strictly in order of exhibitor travel distance. Exhibitors will receive written advice (Departure Cards) in respect of departure order and arrangements.
- **Monday 9th June 2025 between 6:15am and 9:45am**

### Awards

- **Best of Breed** - Prize cards within Bantam and Standard Groups will be presented if there are 4 or more entries in any one breed.

There is no competition within Royal Canberra Poultry Show (RCPS) where Best of Breed awards are decided between Bantam and Standard varieties of the same breed. *(In the event of a Special Breed Show being conducted within the RCPS the default position will be: The highest placed exhibit of any breed exhibited will be the Best of Breed).*

### Cancellation of the show

It is agreed between the parties that, if in the sole view of the Directors or the Chief Executive Officer or some other authorised officer that the Show is to be partially or fully cancelled for any reason whatsoever, the exhibitor shall not pursue the Society for the recoveries of lost income or damages.

### Non-Exhibition of Exhibits

Exhibitors are requested to advise the Society by phone, letter, or e-mail [admin@rcas.org.au](mailto:admin@rcas.org.au) at least 10 days prior to penning date, if any exhibits cannot be penned. This will assist in avoiding empty pens within classes.

### Loss or Damage of Exhibits

The Society shall not be responsible in the event of any loss or damage to any exhibit howsoever arising, and in particular shall not be responsible if, through any negligent or wilful act on the part of any official or servant of the Society, or through theft, the exhibit is not restored in good order and condition to the exhibitor or any person claiming through the exhibitor at the close of the Show.

## Sale of Birds at the Show

The Society will host a **Helmsman Auction** that will be conducted on **Sunday 8th June 2025** commencing at 9:40am. Bidding closes at 10:40am

- Birds entered for auction **must be exhibited and a \$10.00 auction entry fee (per entry) paid by the vendor.**
- Bidders must register to place bids.
- *Bidder registration fee of \$5.00 will apply.*
- Bidder numbers will be issued.
- If the vendor has not collected their auction pack by 9:30am 8 June 2025 the birds will be removed from the auction.
- All bidders and vendors must be onsite at the Fitzroy pavilion during the auction.
- Auctioned birds may not be removed until unpenning in the presence of an Auction Steward. Trade stand holders must have written agreement to sell display stock.

### GST

All prize money includes GST.

### Prize Cards

Prize Cards will be awarded at the discretion of the Committee depending on Class entries.

- **Important Information about Prize Money - Ensuring you promptly receive your prize money is important to the RNCAS.**
- The RNCAS is only able to pay prize money if we receive up-to-date bank account details, including BSB, Account Number and Account Name.
- All prize money will be paid via direct deposit to your nominated bank account.
- If we are not provided with bank account details, we regret to advise we will be unable to pay prize money.
- You must provide/update bank account details when submitting entries.
- The RNCAS is unable to pay prize money to a credit card or if no valid bank details are provided.

### Biosecurity

Exhibitors are required to comply with the following guidelines before, during and after the show.

- Exhibitors / competitors must not bring sick or injured livestock to an event.
- Poultry are loaded and transported in accordance with the [Is the Animal Fit to Load Guidelines](#) and the [Australian Animal Welfare Standards and Guidelines for Land Transport of Livestock](#).
- All poultry must be appropriately identified according to state legislation, this may include a brand, ear tag or microchip depending on the species.
- Do not allow livestock or companion animals to share common water sources (where practical).
- Ensure poultry go into a clean pen upon arrival.
- Facilities in which poultry are housed are to be kept clean and free of manure for the duration of the event. This includes feeding and watering facilities.
- Exhibitor / competitor vehicles that are onsite should be clean of gross contaminants such as mud and manure.
- All exhibitors / competitors should minimise unnecessary contact with other exhibitors' / competitors' poultry and should wash hands thoroughly after handling animals.
- Exhibitors should also limit sharing of equipment and tack. Any equipment brought onto the site must be brought to the event clean.

- Livestock and companion animals that become sick whilst at the showgrounds are to remain in their housed area and must be reported to the Event Biosecurity Manager or Event Veterinarian immediately. Keep other livestock, companion animals and people away from the animal until directed by the Event Veterinarian or Biosecurity Event Manager.
- Poultry returning home should be isolated for 7-21 days and kept under observation for any signs of disease.
- Exhibitors are responsible for complying with NLIS, animal movement requirements and other biosecurity requirements relevant to the species.
- Exhibitors/competitors to complete and submit the Poultry Health Biosecurity Declaration Form upon arrival at the Royal Canberra Poultry Show 2025.



# AWARDS AND PRIZE MONEY 2025

EGG CHAMPIONSHIP CLASSES	
CHAMPION EGG EXHIBIT	\$100.00 & SASH
RESERVE CHAMPION EGG EXHIBIT	\$50.00 & SASH
CHAMPION JUNIOR EGG EXHIBIT	\$100.00 & SASH
RESERVE CHAMPION JUNIOR EGG EXHIBIT	\$50.00 & SASH
COMMERCIAL EGGS	
CHAMPION LAUKE MILLS COMMERCIAL EGG EXHIBIT	1 BULKA BAG LAYER MIX & SASH
RESERVE CHAMPION COMMERCIAL EGG EXHIBIT	CARD & SASH
2 <sup>nd</sup> PRIZE COMMERCIAL EGG EXHIBIT	10 Lauke Mills Vouchers
3 <sup>RD</sup> PRIZE COMMERCIAL EGG EXHIBIT	3 Lauke Mills Vouchers



## **Group 24 - Eggs**

Note that the judge has the discretion to move the egg exhibits into another class if he feels it's in the incorrect class.

Class 1670 4 x standard large brown

Class 1671 4 x standard large white

Class 1672 4 x Standard Large AOC

Class 1673 4 X Bantam Brown

Class 1674 4 X Bantam White

Class 1675 4 X Bantam AOC

Class 1676 4 X Eggs Mixed Plate

Class 1677 4 x Field & Forest

Class 1678 4 x Waterfowl Duck or Goose

Class 1680 1 x Single egg class, any colour any size

## **Commercial - Eggs**

Class 1679 Commercial 12 eggs made up of 2 six packs

## **Art and Craft Eggs**

Class 1681 Ornamental, Art & Craft Egg or Egg is the theme - A display featuring decorative use of an egg or multiple eggs as part of an artistic or themed creation. May include non-egg materials.

Class 1682 Natural Egg or Eggs Painted and/or Decorated - A display featuring decorative use of an egg or multiple eggs as part of an artistic or themed creation. May include non-egg materials.

## **Junior Egg Section**

Class 1683 4 x Bantam Eggs Any Colour & Any Breed Under 42.5g Or Under

Class 1684 4 x Large Standard Eggs Any Colour Any Breed

Class 1685 4 x Waterfowl Eggs Any Colour Any Breed Any Size

Class 1686 4 x Mixed Plate Any Breed Any Colour Any Size-This Class Replaces the Junior Field & Forest

Class 1687 1 x Single egg any colour any breed any size



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