



Members Lounge Newsletter

Membership Renewals

REMINDER - If you want to take advantage of our Early Bird renewal discount and save \$21 make sure we receive payment by Wednesday 26 June.

The Early Bird pricing for Membership Renewals ends on Wednesday 29 June 2016, so if you want to take advantage of the Early Bird discount and save up to \$21 on your renewal fee, make sure your payment is received by our Membership Office before then!

Members Rottnest Express Discount Offer

Our Rottnest Express exclusive Members discount offer has been extended to 30 June 2016. RASWA Members can enjoy a 30% discount on ferry tickets and 30% off all tours (excluding Rottnest Island Admission fee of \$18 same day or \$23 extended stay).

To book, go to www.rottnestexpress.com.au and quote **RAS2015** in the promotion code section of the online booking form to receive the discount. Don't forget to carry your RASWA Member card along with proof of ID to show at check-in counter on the day of travel. Offer is not valid in conjunction with any other promotional offer.

Members Rendezvous Special Offer

The mouth-watering winter buffet is back every Friday and Saturday night at Rendezvous Hotel Scarborough. Enjoy a delectable array of WA's freshest local produce, combining traditional comfort foods with a modern Australian twist overlooking the breathtaking Indian Ocean.

To book, go to TFEhotels.com/rendezvousscarborough and use the promo code 'WINTERBUFFET' to claim this limited time offer.

Members Competitions

On the weekend of 18-19 June 2016, Claremont Showground will be home to the WA Hot Rod & Street Machine Spectacular, and we have two double passes to give away to two lucky Members.

WA Hot Rod Promotions Inc. is a volunteer group of enthusiasts who came together in 1995 with the dream of bringing back to Western Australia the glitz and glamour of a high quality indoor car show. Over the past 19 years the Hot Rod & Street Machine Spectacular become the premier event in Western Australia for builders to debut their latest creations.

To enter, [click here](#) and be sure to include your name (must be the RASWA Member) and phone number. One entry per Member, and entries close at 5pm on Friday 10 June 2016. Winners will be drawn at random and notified via email.



Yarn Bombing

Meet Bomber, RASWA's yarn bombing ambassador. Bomber is asking for your help to yarn bomb the Show (or at

squares in September.

If you can help please contact Gabbi Hall on 263 3169 or ghall@raswa.org.au.



Call for Volunteers

Members make great volunteers! If you want to wear your Member pin with a volunteer shirt this year, please contact Kay Fuller at kfuller@raswa.org.au. We need volunteers for all the interactive educational areas to help bring agricultural experiences to life for families, and for the IGA Follow the Yellow Brick Road. If you are 12 years and older we need you, tell your family and friends too!

For more information, please go to www.perthroyalshow.com.au/volunteers.

RASWA AGM Reminder

All Members are invited to attend the RASWA Annual General Meeting at 6.30pm, Tuesday 28 June 2016 in the Councillors Lounge, Claremont Showground. The Agenda can be viewed [here](#), and to RSVP please [click here](#) and be sure to include the full name and Member number of each Member attending.



RASWA Affiliated Agricultural Society Conference

On 28 April RASWA held its annual Affiliated Agricultural Society Conference. The day is a free event and provides an opportunity for the Committee Members of our fellow Agricultural Shows to come together and listen to presentations from expert guest speakers, participate in panel discussions and network with other society's.

This years' delegates benefited from presentations on Social Media, Government Relations, Youth Involvement and Sideshow Management, as well as a hands on session which saw them extracting DNA from strawberries!

Scholarship Winners

Two students will find university life financially easier following the news they have been awarded scholarships by the Bendat Family Foundation and the Royal Agricultural Society, and Kott Gunning.

Sam Beech, 19, having grown up on his family's south western farm, has won the prestigious \$12,000 Agricultural Youth Scholarship awarded by the Bendat Family Foundation and the Royal Agricultural Society.

The Award and payment of the Bendat Family Foundation Scholarship, to be provided for three years, is dependant on the successful enrolment in a Bachelor level course at an Australian University in an agricultural related discipline.

Lois Kowald, 19, grew up on a sheep, cattle and cropping farm in Katanning before attending the Denmark-based WA college of Agriculture. Lois, who is studying Agribusiness at Curtin University, has carried off the 2016 Kott Gunning Scholarship.

Leading West Australian law firm Kott Gunning, having partnered with the Royal Agricultural Society of WA a couple of years ago, established a bursary for young West Australians studying at university for a future career in the agricultural industry.



Ag Hall of Fame

A recent gathering of agricultural luminaries at Claremont Showground provided a glimpse of the powerhouse of talent responsible for defining modern agriculture in WA.

Royal Agricultural Society of WA President Dr Rob Wilson said that the group's expertise had extended to most facets of the industry including dairy, sheep, viticulture, research and development, horticulture, farm management, conservation and land management and community engagement.

"Reading the biographies of the inductees I realise that education had been integral to all their careers; for some the major driving force of their work," he said.

Dr Wilson said that education was the key to attracting talent to agriculture and providing the opportunities to nurture leaders of the future.

Since RASWA established the Hall of Fame in 1999 to acknowledge the pioneers and leaders of the State's second biggest industry, 60 people have been inducted.

Above: Agricultural Hall of Fame members Dr John Gladstone AM, Noel Fitzpatrick AM, Kevin Hogan OAM, Peter Falconer OAM, Jano Foulkes-Taylor OAM, Rex Edmondson AO, John Bennison OBE, Lou Giglia AM, em Prof David Lindsay AO and Dawson Bradford were attending the unveiling of a portrait by artist John Carrol of 2015 inductee Michael Lloyd.

Changes to Perth Royal Bread & Pastry Show

The Perth Royal Bread & Pastry Show is going to be a mouth-watering event this year – with new classes set to challenge our bakers! Laminated Pastry, which is the art of folding many thin layers of dough with butter to make delicious flaky pastry, is definitely set to showcase the growing market of French pastries in Perth. Cakes, biscuits, brownies and slices are new inclusions this year into the pastry section, with a range of Artisan bread and delicious Brioche included into the Bread section. The National Footy Pie Competition, new this year, is about creating the

Perth Royal Beer Show

The Perth Royal Beer Show is in its tenth year. It helps promote and celebrate an industry that is enjoying expansion and innovation throughout Australia. The competition, which is part of the RASWA Premium Produce Awards, welcomes entries from commercial, mid and small sized craft breweries, microbrewers and home brewers.

WA is considered the birthplace of craft beer in Australia and with an increasing number of breweries and amateur enthusiasts displaying their passion for quality beer the Perth Royal Beer Show has enjoyed significant growth and a consistently high quality of entries.

The 2016 Perth Royal Beer Show will encompass the following events:

Beer School Sensory Class, Little Creatures - Wednesday 29 June 2016

Beer Loft Series, The Queens Hotel - January - December 2016, first Tuesday of the Month

Opening Party, The Queens Hotel - Friday 8 July 2016

Judging, Claremont Showground - Sunday 24 to Monday 25 July 2016

Awards Presentation (*invitation only*) - Friday 29 July 2016

Exhibitor Tasting (*invitation only*) - Saturday 30 July 2016

Sail and Anchor Gold Medal Celebration - Friday 16 September 2016

Join Head Brewers for Beer, Bite and Brewing Banter

Love craft beer? Want to meet and share a brew with WA's most iconic brewers? Head to The Queens Hotel on the first Tuesday of every month at 6pm in the Brewer's Loft upstairs. Tasty bites available paired to the specialty beer. This night is proudly supported by the Perth Royal Beer Show in partnership with the Western Australian Brewers Association.

The 6th instalment of Brewer's Loft, to be held on Tuesday 7 June is hosted by one of WA's most famous craft breweries – Feral Brewery. These crafty brewers from the Swan Valley have taken out multiple trophies in the Perth Royal Beer Show.

This Brewer's Loft will give craft beer enthusiasts the chance to get up close and personal with head brewer, while enjoying drink specials and tasty bites matched to the beer.

Cake Decoration Cooking Workshop

Entries are due to open for the Creative Crafts and Cookery competition shortly so to assist our exhibitors we are

The first session is being held on Tuesday 14 June from 6pm to 9pm and will be run by presenters with years of experience and knowledge in Cookery and Jams & Preserves. The second session is being held in conjunction with the Cake Decorators Association of WA on Sunday 26 June from 10am to 3pm. This session will be run by State and National Cake Decorating Judges and covers various topics for Cake Decorators.

For more information about either session please refer to the Cookery section on the Perth Royal Show website or contact Michelle Tenardi via phone 08 6263 3142 or email cookery@perthroyalshow.com.au.

Annual Report

The 2015 RASWA Annual Report is now available online for Members to view, please [click here](#) to access it.

Coming Events at Claremont Showground

WAFL – Claremont Tigers

- Saturday 18 June 2016
- Saturday 2 July 2016
- Saturday 23 July 2016
- Saturday 27 August 2016

Three v's Three Showdown – 5th Edition (Fitness Competition) - 4-5 June 2016

2016 Model Rail Exhibition - 4-6 June 2016

Primal Throwdown 2016 (Fitness Competition) - 11-12 June 2016

One Fine Day Wedding Fair - 12 June 2016

WA Hot Rod & Street Machine Spectacular - 18-19 June 2016

Festa Junina (Brazilian Festival) - 18 June 2016

Kid's Funfest - 9-10 July 2016

Interflora State Competition - 24 July 2016

Pregnancy Babies & Children's Expo - 29-31 July 2016

For more information on the above, and other upcoming events, please go to

<http://www.claremontshowground.com.au/events>