

## 2016 Show Report. 'One Out Of The Box'

If you attended the 2016 Edenhope Show on Saturday the 19<sup>th</sup> November, I think you will agree that the weather helped to make for just about the most ideal day for a top county show!

As expected the Yard dogs were on the job early, with good entries meaning action all day, and with the new holding yards completed just before Show Day, it made the management of the sheep considerably easier.

Entry numbers were about the same as last year, for the 10<sup>th</sup> year of the Prime Lamb Competition, and, in the Shearing Shed, the Prime Lamb Shearing Competition was hotly contested in the Seniors, Open, Intermediate and Novice sections. The Open Blade Shearing was very well supported and competitive.

Numbers were down a little in the Poultry, and the Sheep sections, but the quality was of excellent show standard. Unfortunately there were insufficient entries to hold the Cattle competition this year.

Out on the Arena, the Edenhope Adult Riding Club again had a very busy day with the Show Jumping, and the Stockman's Challenge, competently organized and run by Sue Jarvis, had horses and riders, plying through their activities during the day. The Apsley Pony Club conducted their popular Topsy Ring during the morning, and then amalgamated the games section with the Stockman's Challenge, and, lined up around the arena fence, The Good Ole Boys held a spectacular 'Show and Shine'.

The Pavilion looked stunning, thanks to the fantastic response to the new committee members, who 'touted' for entries during the year.

Fancy Work, Craft and Photography were very well supported, and, thanks to the amazing rain over the last six months, the Flowers and the Farm and Garden entries almost flowed out the door!

The entertainment, including the Dunk Tank, the Large Games, and the 'Zorb Ball' Soccer were very popular, and there, in the middle of it all, Rob Bast, with his trusty chain saw, carved up three stunning sculptures, a Wedge-tail Eagle, a Red Tail Black Cockatoo and a cattle Dog. At the end of the day, the P&A committee raffled off the choice of these productions. Joy Astbury was the lucky winner of the raffle, and she chose the Red-tail Black Cockatoo to accompany her home! The P&A will be providing opportunities for you to acquire the other two sculptures very shortly, so watch this paper for details.

The sideshows and food court activities were well patronised, with an excellent selection for most tastes.

The Edenhope P&A Society would like to sincerely thank all our sponsors, conveners, stewards, competitors, and of course our loyal patrons.