



Agenda; ECOM meeting ; Oct 25th 2024
<i>In person and Via zoom</i>
Meeting opened; 1.07pm Perth time
<i>Present;</i>
<i>Present;</i> <i>SSAA Chair; Dave Lawrence</i> <i>SSAA Sec; Raelene Laidlaw</i> <i>SSAA Tres;</i> <i>SSQLD;</i> <i>SSNSW; Jeremy Newberry, Carla Boland</i> <i>SSTAS;; Max Flood, Scott Jones,</i> <i>SSVIC; Tom Kelly, Lisa Wardlaw</i> <i>SS SA; Richard Hein, Trevor Bacon</i> <i>WACSA; Jenny Carter, Rob Carter</i> <i>Head Shearing Judge; Daryl Wallace</i> <i>Head Wool Handling Judge; Marion Kelly</i> <i>Immediate Past Chair; Tom Kelly</i>
<i>Guests; Craig French AWI, Adrian Tuohey Fox and Lillie Rural, Jenny Tuohey, Alexander Schoff, Karl Scoff, Terry O'Leary, Grace Schoff, Ross Thompson, Evelyn Archer Tas, Claire Lowe Vic, Janise Hebbberman SA , Pauline Smith NSW,</i> <i>On Zoom Rodney Sluggett Apologies;,,</i>
<i>Apologies; Wes Baker WACSA, Rick Baldock Stockowners</i>

Item	Details	Follow up
1.	<p>Welcome Chairman;</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>SPORTS SHEAR AUSTRALIA ASSOCIATION Inc</b>  <b>CHAIRMANS REPORT AGM 25<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2024 KATANNING</b></p> <p>Welcome to Katanning for SSAA AGM and National shearing and woolhandling championships.</p> <p>Welcome to our sponsors who, without them this event would struggle to proceed. Thank you to Jamestown 2023 for and excellent event last year and thank you to Katanning for extending their welcome to the Great southern area of WA for 2024.</p> <p>Many thanks to all the SSAA committee members and state ECOM representatives for the time you have given up being part of our association. Without your input and assistance, we would battle. Thank you to all the support I receive to keep our association pushing ahead.</p> <p>A few curve balls came our way this year, but nothing that hasn't be sorted or can't be sorted.</p> <p>The last year has seen Queensland association close their doors, but this will not be the end for that state. Recent discussion has indicated that they will be up and going bigger and stronger, but it may take a year or two. Early indications that three shows are on the horizon for the next year, and I look forward to being available to assist.</p>	



	<p>Australian Blazers have caused a few problems and unfortunately some current team members are without their blazers. The passing of Mr Kurt Anders who arranges the making of the blazer and the unavailability of the current material has led us to having select a new material. I can assure you we will have the blazers ASAP.</p> <p>Congratulations to all Trans-Tasman members on their outstanding efforts both at Masterton and recently the blade event at Waimate where John Dalla and Andrew Murray were unsuccessful with a narrow margin Thank you.</p> <p>I can't thank Raelene Laidlaw enough for the last three years, for the time and effort she has put in. Nothing was ever a problem and has made my position a lot easier knowing things are getting done all the time.</p> <p>I have enjoyed my time working with new committees, new faces new ideas. For Sports Shear Australia to grow and become stronger it is important that we recruit new committee members to take on positions , not only at state level but at national level.</p> <p>Interest to host a World event is strengthening in some states, the next twelve months will highlight the way forward.'</p> <p>Host committees for National events has been keen with expression of interest in writing or verbal have indicated that SSAA are in a strong place at the moment.</p> <p>Looking forward to the next year ahead. This year enjoy your time here in Katanning WA . David Lawrence</p>	
2.	Minutes of ECOM meeting held <b>Sept 8<sup>th</sup> 2024</b>	
	<p>These were emailed out after the meeting and also again prior to this meeting. Any questions? Moved Raelene Second Jeremy NSW</p>	
3.	<p>Treasurer Report ; Copy attached to these minutes that was originally emailed has now been updated to 24.10.2024 A was sheet handed out to meeting. Opening Balance at 08.09.2024 ; \$39,887.66 Closing SSAA balance as 24.10.2024; \$47,015.18 In the account is SSQLD funds of \$5,862.56</p> <p><b>Moved-</b> Raelene Laidlaw <b>Sec-</b> Carla Boland NSW</p>	
<b>Minutes</b>		
4.	<p><b>Correspondence In ;</b> 08.09.24 WACSA team list 10.09.24 confirmation John Dalla and Andrew Murray flights to Waimate 10.09.24 Rob Carter with edits for Wool rules. 11.09.24 Accommodation with Jumbuck Motel Katanning room confirmation 15.09.24 NFP 23-24 lodgement form 17.09.2024 AWI payment advice note sponsorship 23.09.24 Welcome dinner invitations.</p>	<p><b>Tony Dobbs</b> suggesting a form of trophy in Ken French honour for all his work with Blades shearing and Sports Shear Ambassador</p>



	<p>25.09.24 Citizenship certificate Lee Gray          26.09.24 Info on the Nationals sheep for line creation          26.09.24 Letter From AWI regarding the Speed Shear promotion          09.10.24 Nomination form NSW          14.10.24 Nationals program -draft          14.10.24 Insurance premiums to pay          15.10.24 Andrew Murray flight invoice to Perth          15.10.24 extended format for Nationals program          17.10.24 Chairmans repot</p>	
5.	<p><b>Correspondence out</b>          06.09.24 Computer Sashes and rosette follow up          09.09.24 Information to Rusell Knight NZ team manager          09.09.24 Stockowners order for team singlets and polos for Nationals          09,09,24 Minutes of Sept 8<sup>th</sup> meeting program and timetable for Nationals          09.09.24 Minutes for the Wool judges meeting held via zoom          25.09.24 Dinner invitation link sent to all states.          27.09.24 Information From AWI regarding speed shears sent to all states.          27.09.24 Arrangement for Steph to order SSAA judges shirts from Pictures in Stiches          4.10.24 Dinner list to confirm with Jen and Kaupz          08.10.24 Confirmation email sent to all sponsors to confirm dinner details and guests          10.10.24 Email sent to all managers for seeding in the heats for Nationals.          11.10.24 confirmation emails sent to all sponsors for location of AGM and dinner.</p>	
	<p><b>Sponosrs</b>  <b>Craig French AWI</b>          Thanks for all the work that everyone does not just state wide but also nationally and internationally.          Wool Poll is nearly ready to be Nov 1<sup>st</sup>. 1.5% ; 0%; 2%; or 1%. Speak to grower and Wool Tag          committees to get the vote in 51 local shows 39 local shows in 24-25. \$500 wool and \$500 for shearing          . participant numbers for novice wool and novice shear. Some shows are charging for novice shear and          wool. \$0 fee would be preferable from AWI and then submit a claim to AWI for the \$20 per novice          competitor.</p>	
6.	<p>State Reports;          Reports request for every 6mths to send in a written report.</p> <p><b>SSQLD –</b> Honorary member this year.</p> <p><b>SSNSW –.</b> Last 12 mths good in NSW with a young committee. 22 shows in the current          circuit, continuing to grow. Lots of judges workshops across the state. Managed to raise          \$17,000 in fundraising over 3 fundraisers. Very positive year for SSNSW</p> <p><b>SSVIC –</b> New show this year Boort had a good show for their first show. All other shows are          able to run this year. Really good number and lots of new people and new novices          competing.</p> <p><b>SSTAS –.</b> About the same as Vic. 7 shows in average 65 competitors, shearers and woollies          at each show. A new committee. Membership grown from 25 to 50. Up to 25 in meetings          up from 6 -12. Looking really positive</p> <p><b>SSSA. -</b> very well in SA 8 comps. With a new South East Champs will make 9. Since I have          come in to the chair, encouraging more wool handling across more shows. Shearing finals          at Royal Adeliade may be able to have wool final here.</p> <p><b>WACSA –</b></p> <p><b>ECOM MEETING REPORT – WESTERN AUSTRALIA 25 October 2024</b></p>	



	<p><i>On behalf of WACSA, we would like to welcome everyone to Katanning for the 2024 National Championships. It is great that we are able to share this experience with you in our sheep country in Great Southern Western Australia.</i></p> <p><i>The town of Katanning, and in particular, the Katanning Shears Committee, have been working tirelessly to frame up a very successful and organised show, in every aspect. We hope you are already enjoying the hospitality of Katanning and the event itself.</i></p> <p><i>Our first show for the 2024-2025 Circuit was held in Corrigin on September 7. It was very organised and there was a good number of competitors. After not being able to host us for a couple of years due to shed repairs, it was great to return to the little country town of Koorda the next weekend. One of the organisers informed us that Koorda was the host of the very first National competition. The following week was the Perth Royal Show – really good numbers again, and a real chance to showcase our competition at a metro venue.</i></p> <p><i>Last week was the Kojonup Blue Wool Shears. There was a record number of 88 entries, including NZ and interstate competitors for this weekend, who wanted to get some practice in prior to the main event. It certainly kept us all busy. Another draw card for Kojonup was their speed shears event afterwards.</i></p> <p><i>WACSA is in a good place, with all committee positions filled, and a very good following for our shows.</i></p>	
<p>7.</p>	<p>HEAD WOOL HANDLING JUDGE REPORT</p> <p>AUSTRALIAN WOOL HANDLING JUDGR REPORT October 2024</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Firstly, I would like to acknowledge the Katanning committee &amp; Volunteers that have been working on the venue which will host their usual shearing &amp; wool handling competitions for October. A lot of work goes into making such an event happen, especially adding to it a National competition. I wish them all the best for their efforts, time &amp; dedication in the running's over the coming weekend.</li> <li>• Thanks to Raelene our sports shear Australia secretary &amp; the many other hats she wears, for all your hard work that you do. Updating the rules, zoom meetings for the state head wool judges, protocols committee just to name a few. I appreciate your time &amp; support very much so.</li> <li>• Congratulations &amp; well done to all state &amp; their committees in hosting there many shows for competitors for state finals &amp; selections of their state team to head to the Nationals in Katanning WA. I wish you all the best in competition &amp; look forward to working with you over the National weekend.</li> <li>• To our Australian team that competed in Masterton NZ earlier this year. Alexander Schoff &amp; Marlene Whittle, the wool handlers along with Lisa Mclean the wool judge &amp; Nathan Meaney, Daniel McIntyre &amp; Josh Bone along with Richard Hien the shearing judge &amp; team manager Steve Mudford. I hope you all had a good experience &amp; here's hoping the team for a good outcome on our Australian turf.</li> <li>• We had our head state wool judge zoom meeting in September. Discussions on – state wool judge reps &amp; experience, roster (rotations if time permits, no judging of family members), dress code for the weekend, teamwork, rules &amp; guidelines (being updated &amp; no changes to date), having enough supplies (buckets, gubba bags, counters etc) Rob has organised all, thanks Rob.</li> <li>• Our protocols committee members had a zoom meeting on august 25<sup>th</sup>. In relation to the national open wool handling events, it was noted that in accordance with the hosting state show committee to decide if they wish to have 1 or 2 rounds in the open wool and ECOM to have final say in the program of events. Wool handling would be 2 rounds of heats and 6 to the final. If the one round is held for the 18 competitors, then a semi-final of 9 competitors must be run then a final of 6. Also discussed that the host state provides a 6-stand shearing board and a 3 stand wool board due to accommodating the development grades. Regarding</li> </ul>	



	<p>states sending development judges – Development judges are an addition to the state representative judges. They will be used as top-up judges &amp; maybe given a chance to shadow another judge to develop skills. Top 2 state judges are the main representative judges. Daryl will have more on protocols to report.</p> <p>Finally, I look forward to working with you all over the weekend, seeing all state teams competing and the wool judges working as a team. Have a great weekend.</p> <p>Regards  <b>Australian Wool Handling Judge</b>  <i>Marion Kelly</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>HEAD SHEARING JUDGE REPORT 2024</b></li> </ul> <p>From a judging point of view I don't have a lot to report or add to my comments from our last ECOM meeting at the start of September. From a shearing point of view there have been a few discussions going on in the background with members of the protocols committee as to where we are moving with regard to a more open and regimented approach to the awarding of "Whole Point" scores in shearing competitions. I look forward to the is weekends event as it provides us with the perfect opportunity to meet on a face to face level with judges representatives from all states ad discuss proposals and ideas so that they con return home and further spread the ese ideas so that when proposals are put forward by the protocols at ECOM meeting the delegates are better versed in the conversation and thus reforms can be instituted quicker.</p> <p>On a less heavy note I personally am looking forward to the ensuing competition and would like to congratulate all who are attending for reaching this event which will showcase the very best that Sports Shear Australia has to offer in both the competitors and officials that are here now. I will also take this opportunity to congratulate all those responsible for putting this weekend together, and wish all involved an enjoyable time.</p> <p>If I could just wrap up my report by acknowledging and thanking Raelene Laidlaw for all the great work and support that she has provided to myself in my role as shearing judge as well as all the countless hours she shas spent on behalf of SSAA. She will be sadly missed as she steps back from such a demanding role in our sport and I wish her all the best for her future endeavours.</p> <p>Thanks Daryl Wallace.</p>	
8.	Protocols	
	<p>Wording for the wool to have a heat of 6 needs to be reworded. 6 X heats of 3.          Discussion on the option of 2rounds for wool or heats and semi-final.          2<sup>nd</sup> round gives more of an overall eveness to all competitors.          Proposed change to go back to the states and result for next meeting to be voted on.          Blades to be looked at by Protocols. As to the programming – Heats of blades will be Friday then the Open blade final will compete on Saturday at Katanning show. Then the SSAA national Blade final on Sunday. Top 6 Aust blade shearing will shear in National final</p> <p>Katanning are planning a program that has been similar to previous Nationals</p> <p>Wool 18 – semi finals 9 to final of 6.          Shear to run - 2 heats combined scores to then top 6 final</p>	



	<p>Semi – final wording</p> <p>Lisa Wardlaw moves a motion that there is an option for 2 rounds of Open Shearing and the scores to be combined and top 6 to the final . Open Wool 18 – semi finals 9 to final of 6. Second Jeremy <b>Accepted and passed.</b></p> <p><b>Blood rule</b> – there needs to be a duty of care to all competitors. States need to go back to states to see what the wording they would like</p> <p>Please pass any items that your state have to raise while at the National Event as the Protocols committee are all present.</p>	<p>States need to go back to states to see what the wording they would like</p>
9.	Business arising from ECOM meeting <b>Sept 8<sup>th</sup> 2024</b> zoom meeting	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>NATIONAL VENUE FOR 2025</b></li> <li>• Dave following up - Public liability through a sports cover but all shows would need to pay a fee to assist in covering cost of \$8,000 premium. Most shows are covered by their local Ag society and so we need to look into the feasibility of this premium. SSAA currently pay a \$2,000 public liability.</li> <li>• <b>Team Blazers</b></li> <li>• <b>QLD Sports Shear</b></li> <li>• What constitutes a Team for the state team event.</li> </ul>	
Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sports Shear SA nominated Jamestown to host 2025 nationals. – Trevor spoke to the meeting on behalf from Jamestown committee. Jamestown have already formed a committee and are preparing if they are successful.</li> <li>• Sports Shear Vic nominated Warrnambool to host 2025 nationals.</li> <li>• <b>Vote to be held – Jamestown had the majority votes.</b></li> <li>• Craig French from AWI asked if the major sponsors are able to have a vote on the best place for show casing the industry.</li> <li>• Dave to follow up on insurance</li> <li>• <b>Due to not having all the team measurements the blazers will not be ready for Katanning but they will be made soon after Nationals.</b></li> <li>• QLD coming to Katanning as an honorary membership for 1 National being representing at , Katanning WA Oct 2024. <b>But</b> must have formed a sub - committee before Katanning to begin the process for establishing a new SS QLD committee in 2025. This honorary membership, No voting rights but would be a fee of \$100. Require representation at the National General in Katanning, meeting with a written progress report. No response has been formally received from QLD regarding this proposal.</li> <li>• Dave Lawrence chaired a meeting with QLD representatives on 13<sup>th</sup> Oct 2024.</li> </ul> <p>NOTES from meeting– A meeting was called to discuss the direction ahead for the Queensland residents on the possibility of registering an association and applying to Sports Shear Australia to become full member. The zoom meeting was attended by a small group of about 8 people. The general discussion indicated that three shows are in the planning for 2025. Warwick and Tara in March and Blackall on 10<sup>th</sup> May. It was agreed that all events would be conducted under SSAA rules, and all divisions would be included. Points from all shows would count toward selectin a Queensland team in the future. All agreed the that best way forward would be to restart these events and then look at developing an association. All attendees are fully aware that this year is an honorary membership and next year a decision would need to be made by ECOM for the future Queensland inclusion. Jamie Waterman, Blackall has requested assistance to host a shearing and wool handling judges work shop 9<sup>th</sup> of May 2025. It will be a day prior to the Blackall show. Where do QLD stand for the 2025 Nationals and make a decision 6 mths prior to Oct 2025. Not in a position to form another committee. David Lawrence has indicated he would be available to assist at this Blackall workshop. And look forward to the opportunity of others joining him at Blackall.</p>	<p>Jamestown were voted in as host for 2025. <b>Friday 24<sup>th</sup> of October training day and welcome dinner;</b> - <b>Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> Jamestown show and trans-Tasman. Possibly the blade shearing as well; and</b> - <b>Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> National events</b></p> <p>Dubbo 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> May so will not clash with Blackall in 2025</p> <p>Go to Protocol Committee to clarify wording – What does a team consist of Open team members or any grade?? Best team at the Nationals the potential senior grade person may</p>



	<p>David Lawrence on behalf of Queensland competitors.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• QLD have submitted names for team consisting of Phil Schoff- shear judge and shearer, Terry O’Leary – open shear, Michelle Schoff – Wool Judge, Alexander Schoff – open wool, Karl Schoff – Senior Shear. Issue with Phil being a judge and competitor. Protocols does not state what grade the team member must be. Can Karl be part of the team for the state team event .</li> <li>• The rule that is in protocols currently for wording of the team. Is 2 shearers and 2 wool handlers for the team event.</li> <li>•</li> <li>•</li> <li>• Medallions are picked up for Trans Tasman. 6 x medallion Trans Tasman Shearing .</li> <li>•</li> </ul>	<p>be now not eligible for senior grade so</p>
10.	<p>General Business;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trophies SSAA Nationals how long before we retire the trophies</li> <li>• 2 Euroa incorporation . Requesting a trophy to be named it regards to Euroa</li> <li>• SSAA electronic timer. – cost to hire and maintenance</li> <li>• Masterton NZ 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> Feb 1<sup>st</sup> March 2025 Tickets now available online <a href="https://www.goldenshears.co.nz">https://www.goldenshears.co.nz</a></li> <li>•</li> </ul>	
Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trophies SSAA Nationals how long before we retire the trophies for example Mark Conlan memorial medal for quality Shear 2024 is the 10<sup>th</sup> yr. Des Cooke memorial is from 1997,</li> <li>• Euroa would like a medallion or Trophy but the current title is - National Shearing Champion Shield - Euroa Shearing Association - Walker, Harahan, and Artridge Shield</li> <li>• Option is the Australian Shearing Trophy be taken to Nationals for photos, but a small trophy to keep.</li> <li>• SSAA electronic timer. – cost to hire and maintained – Dave gave permission for repairs up to \$1,000. The timer is now being hired out in SSV and the money coming back to SSAA. What is the value – Cost of repairs. If a state offered \$800</li> <li>• Belongs to SSAA, Garry Griffin has the timer and hires it out to shows which are mainly in Vic.</li> <li>• Lisa Wardlaw moved a motion SSAA to set charge of \$100 per event for the hire of the SSAA time clock.</li> <li>• Seconder Jeremy Newberry.</li> <li>• All agree.</li> <li>• This will be reviewed in 12mths to see if money is recouped</li> <li>• Katanning show has organised live streaming – competitors must be mindful of behaviour over the weekend.</li> </ul>	<p>States to come back with idea on naming and length of time for these awards. Get this in writing to the SSAA committee</p>
11.	<p>Nationals;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Katanning Oct 25<sup>th</sup> 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> 2024 ( Friday , Saturday, Sunday )</li> </ul>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kevin Lawrence available for photos. These photos would need to be uploaded to facebook. Leave until Katanning have investigated live streaming availability.</li> <li>• National Dinner –</li> <li>• 240 max dinner approx. \$60</li> <li>• Main and dessert for the meal.</li> <li>• Uniform for Shearing and Wool judges Saturday will be State uniform and Sunday will be SSAA shirt. Black pants / skirts , covered in foot wear for all judges. No Caps for any judges. Shirts tucked in for male judges.</li> <li>• No ties for judges until we are able to get uniform set of ties. Perhaps SSAA can purchase a set of ties that then are sold to judges.</li> <li>•</li> </ul>	
12.	<p>GSWC meeting report</p>	



Minutes	-	
	<p style="text-align: center;">Golden Shears World Council Zoom Meeting 9<sup>th</sup> September 2024 Attendees Tom Kelly and David Lawrence</p> <p>The following items on the agenda are recommendations from the executive. <b>Highlighted are the outcome of Zoom Meeting</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The mandatory criteria for a country who wishes to become a member of the GSWC.             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Applicant must be a sheep and wool producing country.</li> <li>b. Run competitions to an acceptable standard in shearing and/or wool handling annually.</li> <li>c. Must have a training program for judges.</li> <li>d. Any member country wishing to cease membership to the GSWC must submit, in writing, a letter to the secretary of GSWC four months in advance of the next world championships. Subsequently, if there is another body within that country who wishes to apply for membership, they may do so providing they have a letter of recommendation from the relinquishing member country accompanying their application, whilst meeting the above requirements.</li> <li>e. Any new applicant will require validation from two current member countries before it will be considered by the GSWC.</li> </ol> <p><b>Meeting agreed also to include</b></p> <p><b>4 months' notice required prior to AGM</b></p> </li> <li>2. Criteria for eligibility to compete for a country. To read "Country of birth or citizenship of country of residency" and 5 year gap between change of countries <b>Recommend a 3 year gap between change of countries</b></li> <li>4. Guidelines for host nations.             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Prize money guideline of twelve to eighteen thousand pounds or equivalent..</li> <li>b. A formal dinner is not an obligation; an alternative is a more sociable and less expensive function e.g. a barbecue.</li> <li>c. accommodation ,if possible, all teams/competitors to be at one venue. Individual teams to be at the same venue if this is not possible.</li> <li>d. All three disciplines to be treated the same, with a minimum of 25% going through to the next round.</li> <li>e. Judges should have appropriate experience; host nation to use all member nominated judges during the entire event including Nation events. The host can invite additional judges from member nations.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	



	<p>f. Program of the event to be produced by the host.</p> <p>g. All contact details to be passed on to the next host and GSWC, within three months.</p> <p>Meeting agreed to above guidelines</p> <p>5. Wool handling.</p> <p>It was agreed in Scotland to take six into the final. Southern hemisphere have four stand finals. Needs further clarification.</p> <p>New Zealand requested that only four woolhandlers through to final , meeting agreed to 6 woolhandlers as per other disciplines</p> <p>6.Behavior and discipline of competitors, pen man and managers</p> <p>The host nation to elect a panel of three judge/referees or chief stewards (Disciplinary committee)prior to the event.</p> <p>This should be done before the judges training day, so all judges know who they are and what the protocol is,if needed to be used.</p> <p>Penalties that could be imposed</p> <p>10 Whole points for machine and blade shearing.</p> <p>50 Whole points for wool handling.</p> <p>Meeting agreed to look at the possibility of a Disqualification for severe abuse up to prior to prizegiving . Recommend that countries address the problems quickly should they arise</p> <p>7.GSWC Memento</p> <p>We are proposing a GWSC memento for all competitors. Further information to follow</p> <p>Committee to look at a momento for all competitors who attend a world event . The original idea was for a medal as a momento but meeting decided for the committee at the cost of maybe a momento badge .</p> <p>-</p>	
	Meeting Close; . 2.09pm	

Next Meeting; , Jamestown SA Nationals Oct 24<sup>th</sup> .

AGM  
 ECOM meeting Venue; .  
 EST in person and via zoom ;



To All State team managers

The following guideline from Craig French AWI in regards to the upcoming SSAA event at Katanning 2024

As you are aware AWI does not sponsor or financially support the speed/quick shear events. I recognise that some shows rely on revenue form these quick shears to run a successful sports shear event.

When advertising it is our policy that they must be advertised separately. It is extremely important that AWI is not advertised or aligned with any speed shear event and given the nature of these events with alcohol and the culture of the speed shears, there is the possibility that things can go pear shaped quickly.

All AWI pen door signs and logos removed prior to the event

All state managers are advised to instruct all team members that AWI expects their teams behaviour and attitude to be professional and that the financial support from AWI is for them to attend & compete in the national sports shear event, I know that most will want to enter the quick shears as well, but if we can remind them of their responsibilities.

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*Sports Shear Australia Association Inc.*

SS SA fully endorses the Jamestown submission.

Kind regards,

Trevor Bacon

President/Chair SSA

Dear David and committee,

I am writing to you in regards to Jamestown A.H&F Society hosting the National Shearing and Woolhandling Championships in 2025. We have a very strong committee and worker base and believe we can host another successful event. Our proposed dates would be the same timing as last year, which in 2025 would be as follows;

- Friday 24th of October training day and welcome dinner;
- Saturday 25th Jamestown show and trans-Tasman. Possibly the blade shearing as well; and
- Sunday 26th National events

After hosting the Nationals in 2023, we believe our committee has benefited from the experience and are able to build on what we achieved last time. We plan to move to a 3-stand woolhandling shed to assist with timing and also expand the event to a larger area. The sheep numbers are available and we have access to more composite type sheep if the Committee requires as such. We also have longer wool sheep available for the woolhandling.

Since last year we have also had another set of change rooms/toilet block installed in close proximity to the shed which can be utilised for teams.

We look forward to hearing back from you.

Kind Regards

Matt Scharkie

Chair Jamestown Nationals Committee

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Sports Shear Victoria support the submission form Warrnambool X-Bred Shears for hosting of Nationals 2025

Lisa Wardlaw

Sec /Tres. SSV

Dear David and Committee,

I am writing to express the interest of Warrnambool X-Bred Shears in conjunction with Warrnambool Agricultural Society hosting the National Shearing and Wool Handling Championships in 2025.

Warrnambool X-Bred Shears, formally known as (Warrnambool Romney Shears) has been running since early 1980's and become a Sport Shears Event in 1987. We have a very strong committee and worker base and believe we can host a successful 2025 event. Warrnambool X-Bred Shears have also successfully worked in conjunction with the Committee of 24-Hour Shear-a-Thon over the past 6 years raising over \$200,000 from 3 events for local Charities/Organisations. We have a strong Committee and a great base of volunteers that make these amazing events happen.

Our proposed dates for the National Shearing and Wool Handling Championships of 2025, would be as follows:

- Thursday 23rd, SSAA AGM pre-dinner, Welcome dinner.
- Friday 24th, Warrnambool X-Bred Shears/Blade Shears (Day)/Trans-Tasman Shears (Friday night).
- Saturday 25th, National Program.

Warrnambool Showground is an amazing facility close to the CBD, Accommodation, Restaurants and Family Entertainment. The facility has access to toilets, showers, grinding areas and area for judges/officials to eat/meeting room. There is a toilet area for officials along with a kitchen facility.

Warrnambool X-Bred Shears have access to the required sheep to meet the National protocol for shearing and wool handling competitions. Warrnambool showgrounds have a six (6) stand, raised board shed. We are prepared to accommodate an additional three (3) stand for Wool Handling competitions.

Warrnambool X-Bred Shears Committee are prepared to work alongside the National Committee to host a successful event in 2025.

We look forward to hearing back from you.

Kind Regards,

Roger Mifsud.



<b>Sports Shear Australia Association Incorporated</b>	
<b>Financial Report 25.10.2024</b>	
<b>CBA Bank Account ending 3691</b>	

**39,887.66**

**Opening Balance 8th Sept 2024**      **\$**

Income

Date	Invoice	Description	Amount
18/09/2024	2425-01	196054 AUSTRALIAN WOOL	\$ 22,500.00
25/09/2024	2425-04	Stockowners Shea CREDIT TO ACCOUNT inv	\$ 6,500.00
9/10/2024		William E Brockman Sport shear Brockman	\$ 666.00
24.10.2024		Sports Shear Vic Score clock hire Boort show	200.00

**Total Income**      **\$ 29,866.00**

Cash Book Balance	<b>\$ 39,887.66</b>
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Income	<b>\$ 29,866.00</b>
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Outstanding deposit- AWI Sponsorship	
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Minus Expenses	<b>\$ 16,875.92</b>
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**NOTE;** SS QLD funds are not SSAA until further discussion      \$ 5,862.56

Unpresented	
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Total Cashbook Balance as at 17th Oct 2024	<b>\$ 47,015.18</b>	\$ 52,877.74
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		<u>Expenses</u>	
Date	CHQ No./DD	Description	Amount
11/09/2024	DD	Sports Shear Aus CommBiz Blades to Waimate	\$ 1,888.43
11/09/2024	DD	Sports Shear Aus CommBiz Sec to Nationals	\$ 589.71
16/09/2024	DD	COMMBIZ FEES TRANS FEES-0371117	\$ 0.30
11/10/2024	DD	David Lawrence CommBiz Trans Tasman prizemoney	\$ 5,600.00
11/10/2024	DD	David Lawrence CommBiz Prize money from World Golden Shears '23	\$ 1,285.00
11/10/2024	DD	Picture In Stitches CommBiz Pictures in Stiches SSAA judges shirts	\$ 1,557.60
15/10/2024	DD	(T) COMMBIZ FEES TRANS FEES-0371117	\$ 1.10
15/10/2024	DD	BPAY DEFT INSURANCE 20362 CommBiz	\$ 800.00
15/10/2024	DD	BPAY DEFT INSURANCE 20362 CommBiz	\$ 1,322.00
21/10/2024	DD	Andrew Murray flights to Perth Aust team member not in state team	\$ 364.42
21/10/2024	DD	Transfer to Katanning Show 50% Shelley Payne sponsorship	\$ 1,000.00
21/10/2024	DD	Marion Kelly Flights to Perth Head wool judge	\$ 487.36
		25 dinner tickets , sponsors, NZ and SSAA executive \$60 each	\$ 1,500.00
		Entry to Katanning show events NZ and Andrew Murray	\$ 480.00
		<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>\$ 16,875.92</b>
		TERM DEPOSIT	
29.02.24		Created account 12mth term due 29.02.2025	\$ 80,000.00
		<b>Total in Term deposit</b>	<b>\$ 80,000.00</b>