



# *Dubbo Poultry Club Inc.*

## *Newsletter*

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#### *Dubbo goes to the Royal*

Well, Easter 2010 has been and gone and with it the Poultry Exhibition at the Sydney Royal Easter Show. Seven Dubbo Poultry Club members took up the challenge this year and entered birds.

The hype before the show was heightened by the media interest. An interview by David Geering with the local ABC Radio in his yard while he preparing birds the week before the Royal was supplemented by a video shot at the same time for their website. The Daily Liberal then profiled Bradley O'Leary in the Easter weekend edition.

To then top it all off, the week after the show David was interviewed on 2DU followed by David and Bradley being involved in a follow-up interview on ABC Western Plains Radio. All this publicity generated quite a bit of interest and reflected well on the club and exhibition poultry in general.

So, how did Dubbo PC members fare? It is fair to say that everyone now knows that Dubbo is well and truly maintaining its reputation as an area that produces top poultry. Dubbo members bought home a total of 11 Champion sashes along with a further 10 Opposite Sex awards and a host of place cards, a number in large and very competitive classes. Photos of the eleven Champions follow in this newsletter while it is hoped at photos of these and the other winners will be on our new website soon.

#### *Bradley takes top honours*

As one of 14 competitors aged between 15 & 25 Bradley O'Leary had to judge a hardfeather and a softfeather breed to compete for the top honour of 2010 Poultry Junior State Champion. The breeds were selected for him and they were White Wyandottes and Bantam Modern Game (mixed colours). He was given 4 males and 4 females in each breed and had to place the birds in order 1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> for each sex & each breed scoring was out of 50 for each sex & breed.

Bradley was also judged on how he handled the birds, from how he got them out of their pens to what he inspected on each bird, this section was marked out of 20 for each sex and breed.

After the points were tallied for this section the overjudges selected the top 7 competitors to do an oral presentation as to why they gave the birds their placings. Bradley was sitting in 2<sup>nd</sup> place with a score of 214 out of a possible 280 as he headed into the nerve-wracking speech, the lad ahead of him on 219. With a very good speech he scored 82 out of 100 and this put him 21 points clear of the opposition and our 2010 Champion .



Bradley inspecting the winning White Wyandotte bantam cockerel



David Geering's Champion Blue  
Langshan bantam



Sandra Ferguson's  
Champion Birchen  
Modern Game bantam



Bradley O'Leary's Champion Blue  
D'Uccle



David Geering's Champion White  
Langshan bantam



David Geering's  
Champion Duckwing  
Modern Game bantam



Bradley O'Leary's Champion Quail  
D'Anvers



Dan McDonogh's Champion Black  
D'Uccle



Dan McDonogh's  
Champion Quail AOC  
D'Anvers



David Geering's Champion Barnevelder



David Geering's Champion Spanish



Dan McDonogh's Champion  
AOC D'Uccle



Bradley OLeary's Best Female AOC D'Anvers



David Geering's Best Male Barnevelder



Keith & Jennifer Stewart's Best Female AOC D'Uccle



Dan McDonogh's Best Male Black D'Uccle



Bradley OLeary's Best Male Blue D'Anvers



Sandra Fergusons Best Female AOC D'Watermael



Sandra Fergusons Best Male Salmon Faverolles



Sandra Fergusons 1st placed Under 12 months Muscovy Duck



David Geering's Best Male White Langshan bantam

Not photographed:  
Sandra Ferguson's Best Male Birchen Modern Game bantam



David Geering's Best Male Duckjwing Modern Game