



2026 NSW DORSET CHAMPIONSHIPS SCHEDULE

Friday 19th JUNE 2026
and
Saturday 20th JUNE 2026

Sheep Pavilion

Cowra Showground

5 Grenfell Road

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ENTRIES CLOSE

7th June 2026



2026 Classes.

- DORSET** Class 1 Ram under 1½ years woolly any wool length.
HORNS Class 2 Milk tooth ram any wool length, born on or after 1st August 2025.
Class 3 Ram lamb dropped on or after 1st April 2026.

Champion Ram

Reserve Champion Ram

- Class 4 Ewe under 1½ years, any wool length.
Class 5 Milk tooth ewe any length wool, born on or after 1st August 2025.
Class 6 Ewe lamb born after 1st April 2026.

Champion Ewe

Reserve Champion Ewe

- Class 7 Group of 1 ram and 2 ewes under 1 ½ years – any wool length.

- SCHOOLS** Class 8 1 ram, up to 2cm wool, under 1 1/2 years.
Class 9 Pair rams, up to 2cm wool, under 1 1/2 years.
Class 10 Ewe over 1 ½ years shorn suckling her own offspring.
Class 11 1 ewe, up to 2cm wool, under 1 1/2 years.
Class 12 Pair ewes, up to 2cm wool, under 1 1/2 years.

****All school classes open to Poll Dorsets and Dorset Horns.

The winner from each schools' class is eligible to exhibit in the equivalent open class (this includes the novice class (if the school is eligible to compete in it).

Sheep can be entered into one class only. Schools may enter sheep in open classes but they can not be the same sheep that compete in schools classes.

POLL

DORSETS *Rams*

Novice Rams

Class 13 **The Lindsay Wright Memorial Class (CW NSW Region)** Novice ram under 1½ years shorn (open to Horns) *to be prepared and handled by exhibitors.*

Novice: excludes any stud (including schools) who has previously won a first place ribbon in any class at a major show, or a champion ribbon at a regional show. If clarification is required, please contact the chief steward.

The winner of the Novice class is eligible to come out for Champion, It is not eligible to exhibit in other classes.

Senior Rams

Class 14 Restricted Class: Ram under 1 ½ years shorn. Not more than 2cm wool. To be eligible studs must have no more than 100 ewes.

Class 15 Lamb plan Class: Ram under 1 ½ years, shorn.

Born on or after 1st April in the year prior to the Show.

Notify Roger Traves of entry tag numbers, no later than 7th June.

Lamb plan Assessment:

TCP Index the difference between the highest and lowest index will be doubled and allocated to the judge for selective judging points. These points will be added to the individual entrant's index to give a total score.

Class 16 Performance ram under 1½ years old, born on or after 1st April 2024. Machine shorn not more than 28 days prior to judging. Birth dates must be included. Rams will be scanned for fat depth and eye muscle upon arrival. Points will be allocated for these traits as well as the official allocating points for breed type. Cannot be drawn from other classes.

Class 17 **Brien Freebairn Memorial Trophy** Ram under 1½ years old woolly

Class 18 **Gererdan Trophy Ram** under 1½ years shorn. Not more than 2 cm wool

Class 19 **Balmoral Trophy** Ram under 1½ years old. Machine shorn not more than 28 days prior to judging. (OM)

Class 20 Pair rams under 1½ years shorn. Not more than 2 cm wool

Intermediate Rams

Class 21 Performance Ram - Milk tooth, born on or after 1st June 2025. Machine shorn, not more than 28 days prior to judging. Birth dates must be included. Rams will be scanned for fat depth and eye muscle upon arrival. Points will be allocated for these traits as well as the official allocating points for breed type. Cannot be drawn from other classes.

Class 22 Ram born on or after 1st June 2025, Milk tooth shorn, not more than 2 cm wool.

Class 23 Ram, born on or after 1st June 2025, Milk Tooth. Machine shorn not more than 28 days prior to judging.

Class 24 Pair of rams, born on or after 1st June 2025, Milk Tooth not more than 2cm wool.

Junior / Spring Drop Rams

- Class 25 Performance ram – Milk tooth, born on or after 1st August 2025 Machine shorn not more than 28 days prior to judging. Birth dates must be included. Rams will be scanned for fat depth and eye muscle upon arrival. Points will be allocated for these traits as well as the official allocating points for breed type. Cannot be drawn from other classes.
- Class 26 Ram woolly born on or after 1st August 2025
- Class 27 Ram, shorn, not more than 2 cm wool and born on or after 1st August 2025.
- Class 28 Pair of rams, shorn, no more than 2 cm wool and born on or after 1st August 2025.
- Class 29 **Brooklyn Park Trophy** Ram lamb born on or after 1st April 2026.

Central West NSW Region Award. Highest Placed Ram lamb (class 29) bred by a stud in the Central West NSW region.

Overall Performance Ram Winners from Classes 16, 21, and 25.

Junior Champion Ram

Reserve Junior Champion Ram

Intermediate Champion Ram

Reserve Intermediate Champion Ram

Senior Champion Ram

Reserve Senior Champion Ram

NSW Dorset Championship Grand Champion Ram

Ewes

Novice Ewes

- Class 30 **The Lindsay Wright Memorial Class (CW NSW Region)** Novice ewe under 1½ years shorn (open to Horns) *to be prepared and handled by exhibitors.*

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The winner of the Novice class is eligible to come out for Champion, It is not eligible to exhibit in other classes.

Ewes

- Class 31 Ewe over 1 ½ years shorn suckling her own offspring.
- Class 32 Restricted Class: Ewe under 1 ½ years shorn. Not more than 2cm wool. To be eligible studs must have no more than 100 ewes.
- Class 33 Ewe under 1½ years woolly.
- Class 34 **Springwaters Trophy** Ewe under 1½ years shorn, not more than 2 cm wool.

- Class 35 Ewe under 1½ years, machine shorn not more than 28 days prior to judging.
- Class 36 Pair ewes under 1½ years, shorn, not more than 2 cm wool.
- Class 37 Milk tooth ewe, shorn, not more than 2 cm, born after 1st August 2025.
- Class 38 **Claremont Trophy** Ewe lamb dropped on or after 1st April 2026.

Central West NSW Region Award. Highest Placed Ewe lamb (class 38) bred by a stud in the Central West NSW region.

Champion Ewe

Reserve Champion Ewe

GROUPS

- All sheep to be drawn from general classes.
- Class 39 NSW Mixed pair of the year, one ram and one ewe (open to Polls and Horns), any wool length under 1 ½ years.
- Class 40 **Mervyn Weston Memorial Trophy** Group one ram and two ewes under 1½ years.
- Class 41 **Armdale Trophy** Group three rams, under 1½ years.
- Class 42 Sires progeny group. Three sheep with common sire, drawn from classes. Sire to be notified to Chief Steward prior to judging.

SUPREME

EXHIBIT NSW Dorset Championships Supreme Exhibit

The supreme exhibit will be awarded from the Champion Ram and Champion Ewe of both breeds.

Most Successful Exhibitor: Dorset Horns

Most successful exhibitor: Poll Dorset

Trophy for best Strike Rate

Notes and Conditions

Exhibitors are expected to present their sheep in accordance with the generally accepted rules and regulations of showing. Security will be provided for those people arriving on Thursday, as well as Friday night when all exhibits are required to remain.

The usual health regulations will apply. Please read and fill in the attached forms.

Please follow existing health regulation regarding group gatherings issued by NSW Health.

Novice: excludes any stud who has previously won a first place ribbon in any class, at a major show or a champion ribbon at a regional show. If clarification is required, please contact the chief steward.

Classes 16, 19, 21, and 25 will attract an additional \$5 fee per entry.

Sheep can be entered into one class only. Groups exempt.