

GEELONG AND DISTRICT POULTRY CLUB Inc.

65th CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW

Doris Loats Memorial Show

Reg no. A00033378E



Saturday August 9th 2025

Geelong showgrounds Poultry Pavilion

The club is affiliated with the Victorian Poultry Fancier's association Inc.

JUDGES: Mr Trevor Dent (SA) Soft feather

Mr Anthony Klatt (SA) Hard feather and Juniors SF & HF

Mr Aron Quinton (SA) Waterfowl and Juniors WF

All judges will be responsible for both open and specials in their respected sections.

AWARDS: (Members awards past and present)

R M French memorial trophy, *Best white Leghorn Standard or Bantam \$50*

Ian Grant trophy, *Best Old English Game \$100*

Harry Bottomley trophy, *Best O.E.G in Duck wing, Pile or Blue Reds, donated by John Gawned*

Doris Loats Trophy, *Best Waterfowl in the shed \$50 & Trophy (including Geese and Junior waterfowl) donated by GDPC & The Dowling Family*

**BIRDS TO BE PENNED BY 9.15 am JUDGING STARTS
9.30 am sharp.**

Entries close with Show Secretary

Tuesday 5th August

NO LATE ENTIRES ACCEPTED

Entries to be paid before show

BSB 633 000

Account Number 106727324

Use name as reference please

Show Secretary:

Thomas Grantham

0457 311 698

Show Manager:

Luke Dowling

0402 585 437 after 7pm

Email: [Enquiries to -](mailto:Enquiries to - show@geelongpoultryclub.com)

show@geelongpoultryclub.com

Entries as per the current Standard Schedule, Available on the VPFA

Website. <https://www.vpfa.com.au/show-schedules/>

Link to the online entries: <https://entries.geelongpoultryclub.com>

Open class \$3.00

Juniors class \$1.50

**Will your name be engraved on the Geelong Advertiser cup for
Champion Bird of Show?**

CHAMPION BIRD OF SHOW \$120 and Replica cup & VPFA Sash

RESERVE BIRD OF SHOW \$60 and Sash

G.D.P.C is affiliated with the P.S.B.E.V LTD and all rules and regulations apply.

VPFA Standard Show Schedule V6 is to be used <http://www.vpfa.com.au/standard-schedule/>

Link to the online entries: <https://entries.geelongpoultryclub.com>

OPEN PRIZE SCHEDULE:

Bird of Show \$250 and replica Geelong Advertiser cup and V.P.F.A Sash

Reserve bird of show \$100 and a Sash

Best Hard Feather \$20 and Sash

Reserve Hard Feather Rosette

Best Soft Feather \$20 and Sash

Reserve Soft Feather Rosette

Best Waterfowl \$30 and Sash

Reserve Waterfowl \$20 & Rosette

Best Goose/Gander \$20 and Sash

Reserve Goose/Gander Rosette

Champion plate of Eggs \$20 and VPFA sash

Reserve plate of Eggs Rosette

4 eggs per plate

OPEN Feature Awards & Sponsored Awards:

Best Rosecomb \$25 and sash

Reserve Rosecomb \$15 and a sash

R M French memorial trophy, *Best white Leghorn (standard and bantam)* \$50 Sponsored by the GDPC

Ian Grant trophy, *Best Old English Game* \$100 donated by Grant Family

Harry Bottomley trophy, *Best Standard OEG, in Duckwings, Pile and Blue Reds* donated by John Gawned

Doris Loats Trophy, *Best Waterfowl in the shed (including Geese and Junior waterfowl)* \$50 & Trophy donated by Geelong and District Poultry Club and The Dowling Family

Champion Indian Runner – \$20 & Sash, Sponsored by the Indian Runner Club of Victoria and the Family of Doris Loats

Champion Coloured Indian Runner – \$20 & Sash Sponsored by Run A Muck Indian Runners and the Family of Doris Loats

Reserve Champion Coloured Indian Runner – \$10 & Sash Sponsored by Run A Muck Indian Runners and the Family of Doris Loats

Champion Pekin (Waterfowl) – \$20 & Sash, Sponsored by Victorian Waterfowl Association and the Family of Doris Loats

Champion Mallard – \$20 & Sash, Sponsored by Victorian Waterfowl Association and the Family of Doris Loats

Best Crested waterfowl, Sash Donated by the Geelong and District Poultry club

Champion Orpington (Waterfowl) – Sash & \$20, Sponsored by The Family of Doris Loats

Best Rhode Island Red (Large or Bantam) – Sash, Sponsored by AFM Roofing

Best Australian Game (Large or Bantam) – Sash, Sponsored by Sun Valley Sanctuary, Maude

Best Rare Breed in Show – Sash & \$20, Sponsored by The Family of Doris Loats

Reserve Rare Breed in Show – Sash & \$10, Sponsored by The Family of Doris Loats

Champion Barnevelder – Sash, Sponsored by the Barnevelder Hub of Victoria

Reserve Champion Barnevelder – Sash, Sponsored by the Barnevelder Hub of Victoria

Champion Australian Breed - \$40 and Sash – Sponsored by Poultry Perfect

This will be judged by all 3 judges and be between the following breeds: Australian Game large and Batam, Australian Pit Game - Large and Bantam, Australorp - Large and Bantam, Australian Langshan - Large and Bantam, Australian Calls and Elizabeth Ducks

Best Bird kept by Doris Loats - \$50 Cash Sponsored by the Family of Doris Loats

This will be judge by all 3 judges and cover the following breeds Pekin Duck, Indian Runners White and coloured, Mallards, Calls and Silkies.

Vale Doris Loats (July 1943 – April 2025)

Doris Loates will be remembered not just as a devoted family woman and lifelong animal lover, but as a pillar of the poultry and waterfowl communities in Geelong and beyond. Her dedication, warmth, and knowledge has left a lasting legacy, one that continues to shape the hobby and passion of poultry breeding today.

Doris served the Geelong and District Poultry Club Inc. with distinction—first as Treasurer from 1997 to 2004, and later as Secretary from 2008 to 2020. Beyond administrative roles, she was a hands-on mentor to both junior and senior members, always ready to give guidance, encouragement, and her trademark generous spirit. Her displays at Iversons Stockfeeds were well-known among locals—not only for the quality of her birds but for the expert advice she freely gave to newcomers and seasoned breeders alike.

Her influence extended further as a respected member of the Victorian Waterfowl Association and a judge of considerable repute. Doris judged Waterfowl and Turkeys at the prestigious Royal Melbourne Show in 2008, a testament to her expertise and deep understanding of poultry standards. She also served on the VPFA (Victorian Poultry Fanciers Association) board, continuing to advocate for education and excellence in breeding.

Doris's passion was perhaps most evident in her love of Indian Runner Ducks, though over the years she kept and bred a wide variety of ducks and chooks. In a 2007 interview with the Victorian Waterfowl Association's magazine, Doris fondly recalled her beginnings: "I had a pet duck as a child and have always liked them. I joined the Geelong Poultry Club and showed Sussex, then was given a pair of Indian Runners from Tasmania. I hatched eighteen ducklings and started showing ducks." Her approach to showing was thoughtful and humble—valuing feedback from various judges, always striving to improve her lines, and appreciating the camaraderie that poultry shows offered. "It's a challenge for myself," she said.



Outside the poultry sheds, Doris's life was equally rich. She was deeply involved in her granddaughter's equestrian interests and was always ready to lend a hand—whether it was for family, friends, or the wider community.

Doris paved the way for many in the fancy. Her strong lines of birds are still held in high regard, and her legacy continues in the passion and knowledge she passed on to others. The poultry community—and all who knew her—are better for her presence.

Our deepest condolences go out to her family.

RIP Doris. You will be dearly missed.

Best of breed sashes for classes of 6 or more birds (4 or more for juniors)



Darcie holding one of her
Grandma's Pekin ducks at the
Judges Seminar
Ballarat April 2006



Doris holding the Champion
Waterfowl after judging the
Waterfowl Feature at the
Alexandra Poultry club Show
August 2005.

Champion Hard Feather Bantam Heavy, \$20 & Sash
Champion Hard Feather Bantam Light, \$20 & Sash

Reserve Hard Feather Bantam Heavy, *Rosette*
Reserve Hard Feather Bantam Light, *Rosette*

Champion Hard Feather Standard Heavy, \$20 & Sash
Champion Hard Feather Standard Light, \$20 & Sash

Reserve Hard Feather Standard Heavy, *Rosette*
Reserve Hard Feather Standard Light, *Rosette*

Champion Soft Feather Bantam Heavy, \$20 & Sash
Champion Soft Feather Bantam Light, \$20 & Sash

Reserve Soft Feather Bantam Heavy, *Rosette*
Reserve Soft Feather Bantam Light, *Rosette*

Champion Soft Feather Large Heavy, \$20 & Sash
Champion Soft Feather Large Light, \$20 & Sash

Reserve Soft Feather Large Heavy, *Rosette*
Reserve Soft Feather Large Light, *Rosette*

Champion Waterfowl Heavy, \$20 & Sash
Champion Waterfowl Light, \$20 & Sash
Champion Waterfowl Bantam, \$20 & Sash

Reserve Waterfowl Heavy, *Rosette*
Reserve Waterfowl Light, *Rosette*
Reserve Waterfowl Bantam, *Rosette*

Juniors:

The Geelong and District poultry club actively promotes and supports Junior exhibitors.

Champion Junior Bird of show: *Australian Poultry Standard Addendum & Trophy, sash & \$60
Name engraved on the Stan & Anita Russel memorial shield.*

Reserve Junior Bird of Show: *Medallion, Sash & \$40*

Champion Crested Junior Bird of Show: *Sponsored by Ryan's Ridge, Rosette & \$20*

Reserve Crested Junior Bird of Show: *Sponsored by Ryan's Ridge, Rosette & \$10*

Best Hardfeather - \$20 cash & Sash, *Sponsored by The Family of Doris Loats*

Reserve Hardfeather - \$10 cash & Sash, *Sponsored by The Family of Doris Loats*

Best Softfeather - \$20 cash & Sash, *Sponsored by The Family of Doris Loats*

Reserve Softfeather - \$10 cash & Sash, *Sponsored by The Family of Doris Loats*

Champion Junior Waterfowl - \$30 cash & Sash, *Sponsored by The Family of Doris Loats and Copy of the Domestic Duck by Chris and Mike Ashton – Donated by The Dowling Family*

Reserve Waterfowl - \$15 cash and Sash, *Sponsored by The Family of Doris Loats*

Junior Encouragement Award \$10 cash

V.P.F.A Journal Awards:

Hard feather: *Australian Game*

Soft feather: *Rhode Islands*

Waterfowl: *Orpington*

Rare Breed: *Polish*



BBQ Lunch and Morning Tea Available

Bacon and eggs available all day

Raffle Tickets will be available on the day

13th Annual Team Competition.

By entering into the Open or Junior show you will also be entered into a team competition (pairs or trios) Teams drawn randomly via name in a hat on show date. Scores will be recorded on the white board.

Geelong poultry club are offering a first prize \$60 and second \$45 for the most successful team of exhibitions.

Teams will be drawn from a hat and prior to judging.

1st in a class = 3 points

2nd in a class= 2 points

3rd in a class= 1 point

Sponsors

Geelong and District Poultry Club extends, a generous thankyou to all its sponsors and supporters without you, shows would not be able to be run.

The following included are:

The Family of Doris Loats

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Geelong and District Poultry Club – Office bearers

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Secretary: *Thomas Grantham*

Treasurer: *Michael Armstrong*

Show Manager: *Luke Dowling*

Show Secretary: *Thomas Grantham*

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Geelong and District Poultry Club acknowledges our Past and Present members and thanks them for their hard work in keeping our great hobby alive.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

Please Read Carefully

1. All entries are received subject to the rules and regulations of this society and the V.P.F.A. Ltd.
2. All Victorian exhibitors must be financial members of the V.P.F.A. Ltd
3. Pen numbers will not be returned, and can be collected from the Show Secretary or Show Manager on the morning of the show.
4. All exhibits must be penned by 9.15 a.m. as judging will commence at 9.30 a.m. sharp.
5. No exhibit will be handled by the owner or any other unauthorized person once judging has commenced.
6. The society will not be responsible for any mistake, accident, loss or damage whatever the cause, although the greatest care will be taken.
7. All entries must be accompanied by the full entry fee and **NO late entries will be accepted.**
8. All cheques and money orders must be made out to Geelong and District Poultry club Inc.
9. Any exhibitor wishing to change or add to their entry on the day of show, will be charged double entry fees per change or addition.
10. The Committee reserves the right to change or add to, the judge's panel due to non-attendance of judges or excessive entries.
11. Any exhibit entered in the wrong class will be disqualified from the show and any bird suffering from a contagious disease will be removed from the pavilion and entry fees forfeited.
12. It shall be the responsibility of the exhibitor to remove any feed or water utensils from their pens prior to judging commencing.
13. Leg bands, as long as non-identifying, are permitted at this show.
14. Judges shall be the only persons using judging sticks on the birds any person found guilty of causing annoyance by loud comments on the work of the judges, or of insulting or unseemly behaviour, shall be liable to expulsion from the show and his /her exhibits will be disqualified and all prizes and entry fees will be forfeited.
15. A junior shall be between the ages of 5 and 16 on the day of the show.
16. Exhibitors in the junior section will only be eligible for prizes in the junior section.
17. A junior exhibiting in the junior section, must exhibit a different breed or variety to a senior residing at the same address
18. Juniors are able to show in either senior section OR junior section not both.
19. Any senior found helping a junior within the surrounds of the poultry pavilion, will have his/ her exhibits disqualified unless prior permission is obtained from the Show Manager.
20. Please fill in both sides of the entry form, entries will only be excepted via email or Australia post using a standard entry for located on the V.P.F.A website
21. Where six or more birds are entered in a class, a best of breed sash will be awarded.
22. When entering A.O.R.C., A.R.V., A.O.R.V. classes, please specify breed variety or colour.
23. Juniors when entering junior classes, place the letter "J" in front of class number.

24. All birds will be judged to the Australian poultry standards, edition 2 and addendums.

25. G.D.P.C is conducted under the PSBEV Code of practice, further information can be found:

www.vpfa.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/PSBEV-Code-of-Practice-Downloadable-Web-Read-July-2015.pdf

26. Geelong Poultry Club Inc. is affiliated with the V.P.F.A. Ltd and operates under their rules & regulations.

27. The Geelong and District Poultry Club may call upon backup or replacement Judges if required.

28. Should the show need to run in accordance with any COVID-19 Government rules and regulations.

Social distancing and other COVID-19 safe practices will be put into place, so please make sure you keep an eye out for communications in regards to .