



Victorian Branch 2022 "ON FARM CHALLENGE"

3rd On-Farm Challenge

Notice to Exhibitors outlining the Conditions & Classes of the OFC

Welcome to the 3rd Victorian Branch "On-Farm Challenge". The branch of the ASBA will conduct its *On-Farm Challenge* (OFC) commencing Sunday 30th October 2022. The competition enables Victorian members to enter animals that will be inspected, on-farm and in their usual condition, by an experienced cattle judge. The judge will provide feedback on a score sheet, and awards will be given to the highest scoring animals in each class.

Aims of the OFC

- To improve the Simmental breed to enhance current and future market needs.
- To provide assistance to breeders by communicating with experts who can communicate constructive comments about individual animals and/or herds.
- To encourage and support greater participation by members, without the need to prepare animals for show condition.
- To stimulate fellowship between members from different areas of Victoria.
- To promote and showcase Simmentals in Victoria

Conditions of entry (note: conditions are subject to changes at any time)

1. Classes:

Stud Classes 1 to 13 are open to animals recorded on any purebred register of ASBA. Class 14 is open to any two offspring (heifer, bull calf) of a purebred ASBA registered sire. Commercial Classes 15 to 21 are open to all animals sired by purebred ASBA registered sires.

Entrants are to provide a photograph of each animal or group entered including names

Stud Classes- Age grouping as of the 1st October 2022

1. Female under 12 months	8. Bull under 12 months
2. Female 12 to under 15 months	9. Bull 12 to under 15 months
3. Female 15 to under 18 months	10. Bull 15 to under 18 months
4. Female 18 to under 22 months	11. Bull 18 to under 24 months
5. Female 22 to under 36 months	12. Bull 24 to under 36 months
6. Female 3 years to under 5 years	13. Bull 3 years and over
7. Female 5 years and over	
14. Two offspring of one sire up to 18 months (OPEN TO STUD Animals)	

Commercial Classes Age grouping as of the 1st October 2022

15. Female under 12 months
16. Female 12 to under 18 months
17. Female 18 to under 24 months
18. Female 24 months and over (may have calves at foot)
19. Steer under 12 months
20. Steer 12 to 18 months
21. Two offspring of one sire up to 18 months (OPEN TO COMMERCIAL Animals)

2. Security Measures. Entrants **must** provide provision to wash boots as per Agriculture Victoria Bio Security Regulations for FMD, including other diseases and adhere to current COVID-19 regulations.

3. Entry fees. Payment options are listed on the entry form.

- **Junior members:** \$11.00 Inc. GST per class
- **Stud and Commercial members:** \$16.50 Inc. GST per class

4. Entry forms and Payment must be submitted by email or post to reach the branch secretary by the closing date 1st October 2022. Email entries to: garryg@aapt.net.au
OR mail: The Secretary – 38 Forest Road South, Lara, Victoria 3212

5. Photos to accompany entries or emailed as a JPEG file to: garryg@aapt.net.au
by 1st October 2022. Name of animal must accompany each photo or tattoo number.

Late entries and substitutions will not be accepted. Payment must accompany entries to avoid non scheduling of judging. This will be strictly enforced!

- 6. Public Liability Insurance.** All entrants must provide a certificate of currency for public liability insurance. Please submit with your entry form or email: garryg@aapt.net.au
- 7. Preparation.** Special preparation of animals, such as washing and grooming, is **not** required. Cattle will be judged on attributes such as structure, which are independent of how animals are prepared. This does not preclude animals that have been prepared for showing from entering.
- 8. Inspection.** Cattle must be presented in a secure enclosure with firm footing that is appropriate and safe for the judge to conduct a close inspection of the cattle.
- 9. Identification.** Each animal needs to be easily identifiable with a management tag, or similar. Please indicate management I.D tag/number on entry form.
- 10. Judging schedule.** Judging will take place from the weekend starting **30th October 2022**. The judging timetable will depend on the number of entries received, their location and the availability of the judge. Entrants will be notified of the judging schedule once confirmed. **Please note: Judging times are subject to change and all entrants will be notified.**
- 11. Awards.** The OFC committee will organise appropriate non-monetary awards and trophies for presentation, as follows:
- **Minor awards** given for First, Second and Third places in each class.
 - **Trophies** given for Junior Champion Female, Junior Champion Bull. Senior Champion Female and Senior Champion Bull.
 - **Commercial Best Overall Entry.**
 - **The Ryan-Emerson Medallion** for the judge's choice of best bull.
 - **The Jean Morton Memorial Medallion** for the judge's choice of best **stud Female**.
- 11. Special event for presentation of awards and score sheets.** Awards and the judge's score sheets will be presented at the Gala 50th Anniversary Presentation Dinner Saturday 3rd December 2022. A 50th Anniversary Auction will take place with Elite Livestock Auctions and also be available online. **Please note: An invitation to attend will be sent to all members after entries are finalised.**

