

meet me *at the fair*



Programme packed with country fun

There will be something for everyone at the 144th annual Warkworth & Districts A&P Show, on January 22.

Gates open at 8.30am, with official entertainment kicking off at 10.30am.

Show secretary Marjorie Blythen says it's a great family day out with plenty of see and do.

The gate price will be the same as last year – \$10 for adults, \$5 for children and \$25 for a family pass.

“The Wellsford Toy Library does a brilliant job of organising an old-fashioned games programme which doesn't cost a cent,” Mrs Blythen says. “It means a family can come along for the day without having to reach into their pocket the whole time.”

As well as all the favourites – the huge range of trade displays, wood chopping, equestrian events, vintage cars, highland dancing and animal competitions – this year will also see the re-introduction of the shearing competition in the brand new shearing pavilion.

“Tastings of local wines and beers, as well as local produce, are being promoted, and visitors can also try their hand at a game of croquet.

“World champion dog handler Chelsea Marriner is also back with a new routine.”

Children are invited to enter the queen, fairy, princess and pirate competitions.

Mrs Blythen says in recent years attendance at the show has averaged around 8000.

The crowds seem to come in two waves – the early birds and then those that come after the markets have closed.



Lots of the activities, particularly those for children, are on offer at the show for free.



The show is a great place to check out what other people are harvesting from their gardens.



Last year's auction was a crowd-pleaser and raised \$6000.

Auction bidders primed

For the third year running, a charity auction to raise money for the Royal New Zealand Foundation of the Blind's guide dog service will be held at the Warkworth A&P Show.

Coordinator is John Barnett, who says that over the past two auctions, a total of \$6000 has been raised. He is hoping to push this up to \$10,000 this year.

In the silent auction and on the block will be a huge range products, services and offers including luxury accommodation, DIY equipment, homeware, gardening supplies, food and wine.

“It costs tens of thousand of dollars to breed and raise a guide dog for the blind, so all money raised by at the Warkworth show will go towards helping someone in need,” John says.

WARKWORTH & DISTRICTS A&P SHOW SOCIETY

144th Annual Show 22 January 2011

Extended Gymkhana will also be on 23 January 2011



Gates open 8.30am • Official entertainment starts 10.30am

Animal competitions start 9am • Indoor exhibits open 9am along with local wine and beer tasting and gourmet food. All day entertainment at the large marquee.

- Chelsea Marriner (World Champion Dog Handler) and her eight Border Collie dogs
- Kids (old fashioned) races eg. egg on the spoon
- Ewe racing & shearing demos with Greg
- Vintage Cars
- Martial Arts display
- Queen, fairy, princess & pirate competitions
- Des Chitty, country & western music
- Highland dancing & competitions
- Shearing competition in the 'brand new' shearing pavillion
- Alpacas, pet lambs, beef & dairy, goats, Calf club and young handlers competition
- Equestrian mounted games display (olympics on horseback)
- Equestrian quadrille displays
- Wood chopping
- Croquet club play and display

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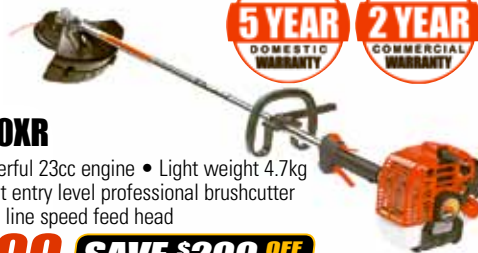


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Shearing contest returns to centre stage in new pavilion

After a five year absence the 2011 Warkworth A&P Show welcomes back the sheep shearing competition in style.

A new shearing pavilion for the competition worth \$50,000 has been built at the Warkworth Showground's in time for its first use on January 22.

Shearing competition organiser, judge and shearer Neil Sidwell, of Ruawai, is back on board to run the show.

Neil, who has more than 50 years experience in shearing competitions both in New Zealand and overseas, organised the Warkworth competition for 18 years before leaving to take the event to the Auckland Easter Show.

"I had been running the shearing competition for years and thought it was my time to step aside and let some younger blood in," he says.

"I figured if I didn't move on no one would take my place."

Although Neil stepped aside a lack of support resulted in the demise of the competition at the Warkworth A&P Show, but with the new facility on offer he has returned.

Neil says shearing is a real crowd pleaser especially for visitors who have never seen a sheep shorn before.

"It's a new experience for a lot of foreign tourists and they think it's great entertainment."

Jokingly, Neil says that all a good shearer needs is "no brains and a good back."

The competition is split into categories for junior, intermediate, senior, open and veteran shearers.

Categories are based on how many sheep a shearer can shear in a day.

"A junior shearer can shear around 180 sheep a day where as a senior/open shearer can do more than 300."

Shearers are judged on the quality of their work and the time they take to complete the sheep.

Points are deducted if a shearer cuts his sheep or does a second cut (goes over a previous cut).

Only shearers with previous experience can enter the competition and entries will be accepted on the day.

Anyone entering needs to have their own gear. Prize money and trophies are up for grabs.

Neil says the amount of young shearers has dwindled over the years along with sheep numbers.

"When I was a young shearer 50 years ago, shearing was a good way to earn a living with around 97 million sheep in New Zealand. Now days there are only around 27 million and there are a



Gun shearer Neil Sidwell shows how it's done.

lot of other rural career opportunities to choose from."

Neil is encouraging any young shearers

from the Warkworth district to come down and support the event in the new pavilion.



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4	8	2	1	6	3	7	9	5
3	6	5	9	2	7	8	1	4
7	9	1	4	5	8	3	2	6

A&P SHOW - JANUARY 22

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Chelsea Marriner and her troupe of performing dogs.

You can teach a dog new tricks

Dog trainer Chelsea Marriner and her ensemble the Dog Stars will be up to their old tricks at the 144th Warkworth A&P Show this month.

The Dog Stars show has recently been revised and will feature some new tricks and new props, and an agility course containing jumps, tunnels and weave poles. Residing in Rotorua, Chelsea has done agility training from the age of seven.

She has a team of eight working border collies with four to five featuring in the show.

"When I was two my dad got a puppy but he soon became my puppy as we spent every moment of the day together," she says. "I used to love watching Wonder Dogs and that's when I decided I wanted to be a dog trainer."

The dogs come from different farms from around the country and range in age from one to eight years old.

All of the dogs have won champion titles in various events such as agility and flygility.

Chelsea says border collies are the best dogs to use for the show, as they are energetic, incredibly smart and are always willing to please.

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