

16TH MAY, 2023

# The Flatcoated Retriever Association Of Victoria Inc.



## Simone Wilkie - President

I would like to say a HUGE THANK YOU to Peter and Helen, (above), who have been the glue that holds this club together and built it in its early days.

Helen has been responsible for the Newsletter and now that Peter is going through some significant health challenges, Helen has passed on the baton to our committee member Jean Ross, who has had the privilege of owning five Kellick Flatcoats.

Peter and Helen have continued in Vice President and Assistant Secretary roles, along with continuing to field enquiries about Flat Coats.

I would like to pass on our best wishes and thoughts to both Peter and Helen.

The following FCRAV Office Bearers were elected on the 2nd of May.

President	Simone Wilkie	Vice President	Peter Eley
Secretary	Leanne Tormey	Asst Secretary	Helen Eley
Treasurer	Scott Farquhar	Asst Treasurer	Sue Farquhar
Retrieving Trials	Kate Eltringham	Retrieving Trials	Noel Eltringham
Publicity	Jean Ross	Com. Member	Alys Mayes

If any Club Member is interested in joining the FCRAV Committee Please do not hesitate to contact Simone, Leanne, or Helen.



## Flatcoat News Highlights

Helen Eley - Editor of the Flatcoat News passes on the baton.

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AGM - 2nd May -  
Re-elected President  
Simone Wilkie's Report

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FCRAV Office Bearers

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Results of FCRAV  
Championship Show

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Annual Trophy Results

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## **SIMONE WILKIE - PRESIDENT'S REPORT**



Another amazing year of the Flat Coated Retriever Association of Victoria. Our small but enthusiastic club gets a lot done and continues to be the sole breed club for Flat Coated Retrievers in Victoria. We must keep at our heart, the preservation, protection and promotion of the breed in Australia.

Our first event for the year was our Retrieving Ability Test for Gundogs, attracting 20 entries in Novice and 6 entries in Open. I can't thank our committee enough for all hands-on deck. Noel and Kate Eltringham and the Eley's who have made sure the club retains a connection to the original purpose of the breed, retrieving.

Special thanks to our friends at Geelong Field and Game who allowed us to use their fantastic Connewarre Wetlands Centre for the event. It was great to see members come along to spectate.

Our two Championship Shows were held on Melbourne Cup Weekend last year under on the wettest weekends of the year. Last minute changes enabled the shows to be held indoors at the Bulla Exhibition Centre. Huge Thanks to our Secretary Leanne Tormey who negotiated on the club's behalf to make sure that our shows could go ahead.

We had Flat Coat enthusiasts from Australia and New Zealand, and it was so nice to meet everyone in real life. The atmosphere and sportsmanship was fantastic all around.

It was also fantastic to see a good contingent of Victorian exhibitors. Congratulations to Jodean and Alys on your first Flat Coat Championship Shows.

During presentations at the show, we congratulated Peter King and Lido, Benny Evans and Merlin, and Marilyn Morphet and Alubyc The Artful Dodger on obtaining their Supreme Championship titles.



## **SIMONE WILKIE - PRESIDENT'S REPORT - CONTINUED**

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**Combining our Championship shows with this weekend makes the time, effort and money invested by interstate exhibitors to make the journey worthwhile. We normally have international judges for these shows, but this year we were transitioning out of our COVID world. The club will have international judges at our next Championship Shows on Melbourne Cup Weekend 2024.**

**We hope to see all our interstate friends.**

**Special thanks to the committee members who contributed so much to putting together the Champion Show weekend.**

**The club must also thank Robyn Brock for making the very generous donation of a large gazebo, which will raise funds for the club.**

**Finally, thanks to Benji and Megan Kent from QLD who live-streamed almost the whole of the event and enabled Flat Coat friends from around the country and some international enthusiasts to see the show. We really appreciate it.**



I would also take this opportunity to congratulate the winners of our annual awards.

Flat Coats around Australia are excelling in a number of disciplines ranging from scent work, to retrieving, agility and conformation showing. It's wonderful to see all the positive results and beautiful Flat Coats.

Congratulations to all.



Our final event for the year was our fun day at Rothwell Run. It was a great opportunity for our Flat Coat family to get together in a non-competitive environment (although we did have some games). It was nice to see Flat Coats big and small, woolly and groomed, well-behaved and a bit cheeky getting along together in the amazing agility and the pool area. Truly an enjoyable day.

Thanks again to our committee and most importantly to our members who keep this club going.

Hugs to all your Flat Coats. Simone



**Championship Show Results:  
Judge : Mrs Stephanie Rickard**

**Best Exhibit in Show Mr D. & Mrs S. Wilkie's CH BLACQLABEL STARES AND WHISPERS (AI)**  
**Runner Up in Show Ms R. Williams' GR CH INJITALI TREASURE SEEKER**  
**Best Baby Puppy in Show Ms G. L. Holmes' BLACQLABEL LOVE HAS NO PRIDE (AI)**  
**Best Puppy in Show & Res. B.C.C. Mrs A. Mayes' PEPPATREE OHTHEPLACESYOULLGO**  
**Best Junior in Show Mr D. & Mrs S. Wilkie's WILGUNNDI MIDNIGHT RAMBLER**  
**Best Opposite Junior in Show R. Williams' INJITALI TOBLERANI SYDNEY**  
**Best Intermediate in Show Mr D. & Mrs S. Wilkie's WILGUNNDI INTO TEMPTATION**  
**Best Opposite Intermediate in Show & Res. DCC Mrs A. Mayes' KELICK BEST INTENTION**  
**Best Australian Bred in Show P. King's SUP CH BLACKREGAL FASTNET ROCK**  
**Best Opposite Australian Bred in Show R. Williams' INJITALI TROUBLE SEEKER**  
**Best Open in Show Mr D. & Mrs S. Wilkie's CH BLACQLABEL STARES AND WHISPERS (AI)**  
**Best Opposite Open in Show R J & J Bryant's CH ALYBYC ORPHAN BLACK**  
**Best Veteran (7 years & under 10) in Show P. King's SUP CH BLACKREGAL FASTNET ROCK**  
**Best Veteran (10 years & over) in Show J. Gregg's CH BLACKREGAL LITTLE MISS SUNSHINE**  
**Best Headed Jodean Ross' ARANGOLD LABOUR OF LOVE**  
**Best Coated Mr D. & Mrs S. Wilkie's CH BLACQLABEL STARES AND WHISPERS (AI)**  
**Best Movement B. Evans' CH KELICK CRIMINAL INTENT**

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**Res. B.C.C. R. Williams' INJITALI FOREVER YOUNG (AI)**

## Annual Awards

### VICTORIAN SHOW DOG OF THE YEAR 2022

D. & S. WILKIE'S CH BLAQLABEL STARES N WHISPERS (AI)

### INTERSTATE SHOW DOG OF THE YEAR 2022

M. MORPHET'S SUPREME CH ALUBYC THE ARTFUL DODGER

B. EVAN'S SUPREME CH KELICK CRIMINAL INTENT

### RALLY NOVICE DOG OF THE YEAR 2022

MRS C. MURRAY'S GRAND CH SHEREPOINT GREEN IVY

### DUAL PURPOSE DOG OF THE YEAR 2022

MRS H FREW'S CH PEPPATREE SONG OF ICE AND FIRE

### Championship Titles 2021/2

MR W. FREW'S CH PEPPATREE SONG OF ICE AND FIRE

MRS C. MURRAY'S CH STARFLAZ CRIMSON AND CLOVER

MS M. O'SHANNASSY'S CH SKYEHAVEN DEVIL AT PLAY

J. ROSS' CH ARANGOLD LABOUR OF LOVE

D. & S. WILKIE'S CH WILGUNNDI INTO TEMPTATION

### Endurance Test Title 2022

J. BURGESS' BLACK REGAL FULL OF JOY

### 500 Challenge Points 2022

D. & S. WILKIE'S CH BLAQLABEL STARES N WHISPERS (AI)

MS R. WILLIAM'S CH INJITALI FOREVER YOUNG

MS M. O'SHANNASSY'S CH SKYEHAVEN DEVIL AT PLAY

MS M. O'SHANNASSY'S CH SKYEHAVEN TICKET TO RIDE

MR B EVANS' CH KELICK CRIMINAL INTENT

### Grand Champion Title 2022

MRS C. MURRAY'S GRAND CH SHEREPOINT GREEN IVY

MS M O'SHANNASSYS GRAND CH SKYEHAVEN TICKET TO RIDE

### Supreme Champion Title 2022

M MORPHET'S SUPREME CH ALUBYC THE ARTFUL DODGER

MR B EVANS' SUPREME CH KELICK CRIMINAL INTENT



Title trophies



Annual award trophies