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**General show information**

The SABBA show season kicks with the Western Cape Show in Durbanville on 10 September. Since publication of SABBA News in August, the regional organisers have come up with some innovative changes. Various regions have combined forces, and consolidated their events (see table below) in an attempt to make the shows more accessible to more people.

The regional shows follow the same procedures as in previous years, but the organisers, may adapt the format, e.g. not all shows may include the new Family Class and the Dog of the Year Class

The most important guidelines are now on the web. Please contact the relevant organisers, should you require further information or confirmation of any aspect.

- [Categories and classes for the regional shows.](#)
- [Regional show rules.](#)
- [Procedures and code of conduct.](#)
- [Adjudication criteria.](#)

Any registered Boerboel (remember the documentation – including inoculation certificates for puppies!) may participate in the shows. The recommended entry fees for the regional shows are:

- 1-3 dogs: R150 per dog per owner.
- 4 and more dogs: R130 per dog per owner.

Dogs elected to compete in the championship classes do not have to pay entry fees, but participation in the Family Class costs R150 per team, and participation in the Dog of the Year Class costs R150 per entry.

SABBA's sponsor, Jock Animal Feeds, is the major sponsor, and will donate the food prizes for the class and championship winners.

As has become customary, the sponsorship of trophies and sashes are offered to breeders and Boerboel enthusiasts. Please contact the organisers, to make use of this opportunity to market your stud.

Details of the arrangements for the National Show in Centurion, Gauteng on 19 November will be published early in October.

DATE	REGION	CITY/TOWN	CONTACT	TEL	E-MAIL
10 Sept	Western Cape	Durbanville	Thys von Solms	083 447 8844	<a href="mailto:thys@floorpro.co.za">thys@floorpro.co.za</a>
17 Sept	Eastern Cape	Port Elizabeth	Jakkie Erasmus	082 574 5653	<a href="mailto:jakkie@ecba.co.za">jakkie@ecba.co.za</a>
17 Sept	KwaZulu-Natal	Pietermaritzburg	<u>Gerrie Botha</u> Alan Pittam	072 564 1150 083 461 5057	<a href="mailto:maxipalboerboels@gmail.com">maxipalboerboels@gmail.com</a> <a href="mailto:pittama@durban.gov.za">pittama@durban.gov.za</a>
24 Sept	Free State Mpumalanga	Heilbron	<u>Clint Gouws</u> Marius Kotzé	078 523 5400 084 620 3008	<a href="mailto:clintstella@gmail.com">clintstella@gmail.com</a> <a href="mailto:boerboels@vodamail.co.za">boerboels@vodamail.co.za</a>
1 Oct	North West Gauteng Limpopo	Brits	<u>Frans du Toit</u> Johan van Wyk Piet Visser Marius Kotzé	083 938 1850 082 890 8887 083 336 5488 084 620 3008	<a href="mailto:fransdutoit@sabt.co.za">fransdutoit@sabt.co.za</a> <a href="mailto:graslandboerboel@mweb.co.za">graslandboerboel@mweb.co.za</a> <a href="mailto:pietvisser@eject.co.za">pietvisser@eject.co.za</a> <a href="mailto:boerboels@vodamail.co.za">boerboels@vodamail.co.za</a>
19 Nov	National Show (open show)	Centurion, Pretoria	Johan van Wyk	082 890 8887	<a href="mailto:graslandboerboel@mweb.co.za">graslandboerboel@mweb.co.za</a>

See the [Show page on the SABBA website](#) for venue details and starting times

**Getting to know the SABBA website**

New members and those who do not visit the SABBA website regularly may not be aware of the wealth of information behind the 'blue buttons' on the landing page. Under [Standards](#) you may find, among others, information on the Boerboel; [Downloads](#) offer Service and Vaginal Hyperplasia certificates; and the 11 Annexures to the [Constitution](#) contain information, ranging from registration requirements to appraisal procedures and guidelines.

### Pro tail-docking campaign donations

Koos van der Westhuizen (Board member: Northern Cape), who manages the *Pro* tail-docking campaign on behalf of the SABBA Board, has acknowledged and expressed his appreciation for the donations received as at the time of publication. He also urged more breeders to come forward to support this project, as the SPCA appears to be increasing their targeting of Boerboel breeders in tail-docking prosecutions.

The recommended contribution is R1 000, but any contributor of R500 or more will be eligible for assistance. Visit the website for information on the campaign and donation forms.

- [SABBA establishes fund to fight tail-docking.](#)
- [Donation form.](#)

DATE	NAAM / NAME	STOET / STUD	ORG	R
11/07/11	Dana & Beverli Steenkamp	Klein Sandfontein Boerboels	SABT & EBBASA	R1 000
11/07/11	Marius Kotzé	Deo-Han Boerboele	SABT	R1 000
22/07/11	René Botha	Mighty Boerboele	SABT	R1 500
29/07/11	Koos van der Westhuizen	Middelpos Boerboele	SABT	R1 000
17/08/11	Elize van Zyl	Bethlehem	SABT	R1 000
25/08/11	Willem Adriaan Booyesen	Kruisrivier Boerboele	SABT	R1 140

### Input invited for October Board meeting

The next Board meeting is scheduled for 15 October. The Chairman, Aldu le Grange, invites members to submit matters for consideration by the Board to him for inclusion in the Agenda.

Submissions must be in writing and reach him not later than Friday, 9 September. Please try to keep these brief, and include action proposals, if possible. Phone Aldu on 083 462 0817 for personal discussions, or send e-mails to him at [aldulg@bks.co.za](mailto:aldulg@bks.co.za).

Topics for discussion at the meeting include:

- Micro-chipping and DNA testing and.
- Birth notifications.
- Guidelines for registration.
- The National Show.
- SABBA Finances.
- Organisational matters.
- Constitutional amendments.
- Voting rights.

### Appraisal diary

The dates and contact persons for appraisals from 10 September to 20 November are:

- 10 Sept: Centurion. Johan van Wyk: 082 890 8887.
- 17 Sept: Worcester. Thys von Solms: 083 447 8844.
- 17 Sept: Port Elizabeth. Jakkie Erasmus: 082 574 5653. (*with show*).
- 17 Sept: Pietermaritzburg. Gerrie Botha: 072 564 1150 (*with show*)
- 29 Oct: Carolina. Marius Kotzé: 084 620 3008.
- 29 Oct: Lichtenburg. Frans du Toit: 083 938 1850.
- 5 Nov: Pretoria East. Johan van Wyk: 082 890 8887.
- 20 Nov: Parow: Thys von Solms: 083 447 8844.

Bear in mind that the dates of appraisals may change at short notice, so remember to check the [programme](#) of forthcoming events on the website.

### Regional news

The Eastern Cape maintains a high Boerboel presence in the community. On 27 August, they hosted an open Junior Show at the Willow Dam Festival in Uitenhage, arranged by the SAPS and Community Police Forum to raise funds for charity. The thirty-eight participating Boerboels were a huge attraction, and the spectators thoroughly enjoyed the interaction with the dogs.

For the first time, a KUSA Mastiff/Working dog judge was the sole adjudicator. His approach was most interesting - in particular, the extent to which he focused on movement. The Grand Champions were: Lötter Tebita (Female Sub Junior Champion and Reserve Grand Champion); Middelpos Lion King (Male Sub Junior Champion and Reserve Grand Champion); Egoli Cara (Female Junior Champion and Grand Champion); Sumsaré Dia (Male Junior Champion and Grand Champion).