



## *Boer Goats – 'Meating' the Market*

### APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

**Are you interested in becoming a Member of the Association?**

- There are five categories of membership available.
- All members will receive the publications, newsletters and other information generated by the Association's publications, newsletters and other publications
- All members will have access to the Association's website.
- Full members will have access to the special member's login area that contains sales enquiries, etc.
- Schools and colleges are invited to enrol as Junior or Support Members.

**FEE SCHEDULE**

**Applicable Fees:**

A \$25.00 joining fee applies on all new memberships.

**Stud Prefix:**

A one off fee of \$75.00 will be applicable for the registration of your stud prefix (Full and Junior Memberships only).

**Membership Period:**

Membership period runs on a financial year basis, i.e. from 1<sup>st</sup> July - 30<sup>th</sup> June. An option to join half way through the year (at reduced fees) is available.

**Membership Renewal:**

No joining fee is payable when renewing membership provided the renewal is within the Association's grace period of ninety (90) days from the date of expiry which unless otherwise notified is 30<sup>th</sup> June.

**Fees**

Joining Fee ( <i>Applicable to all new members</i> )	\$25.00	<i>(one-off)</i>
Stud Prefix Registration ( <i>Full, International &amp; Junior members only</i> )	\$75.00	<i>(one-off)</i>
Full Member's Annual Fee	\$285.00	<i>(per annum)</i>
International Member's Annual Fee	\$260.00	<i>(per annum)</i>
Commercial Member's Annual Fee	\$87.00	<i>(per annum)</i>
Junior Member's Annual Fee	\$45.00	<i>(per annum)</i>
Support Member's Annual Fee	\$65.00	<i>(per annum)</i>

***Annual fees cover a full financial year, and are split as follows:- All fees include GST***

<b>Membership Type</b>	<b>Joining Fee*</b>	<b>Stud Prefix*</b>	<b>Full year fee June 1 to July 30</b>	<b>Half year January 1 June 30</b>	<b>Full Year Total Due</b>	<b>Half Year Total Due</b>
Full Membership	\$25.00	\$75.00	\$285.00	\$142.50	\$385.00	\$237.50
International Membership	\$25.00	\$75.00	\$250.00	\$130.00	\$360.00	\$230.00
Commercial Membership	\$25.00	N/A	\$87.00	N/A	\$112.00	N/A
Junior Membership	\$25.00	\$75.00	\$45.00	\$22.50	\$145.00	\$122.50
Support Membership	\$25.00	N/A	\$65.00	N/A	\$90.00	N/A

***\* Once only payments***

## **MEMBERSHIP TYPES**

### **1. Full Membership**

- Any Australian and New Zealand individuals (who are 18 years of age and over) or entity (that is a company or partnership) may apply for this membership.
- This membership allows access to the Herd Register and entitles the member to full voting rights at meetings of the members.
- On applying for this membership, the individual shall submit for approval a preferred prefix. If the prefix is not available, then a prefix will be allocated.
- Where an entity (that is a company or partnership) applies for this type of membership, the entity must list all people included in this partnership. However, there is only one voting right per entity.

### **2. International Membership**

- Any international individuals (residing outside Australia or New Zealand, who are 18 years of age and over) or entity (that is a company or partnership) may apply for this membership.
- This membership allows access to the Herd Register.
- On applying for this membership, the individual shall submit for approval a preferred prefix. If the prefix is not available, then a prefix will be allocated.
- Where an entity (that is a company or partnership) applies for this type of membership, the entity must list all people included in this partnership.
- There are no voting rights with this membership category.

### **3. Commercial Membership**

- Commercial members are not full members.
- They cannot vote at any general meetings nor nominate for the position of Director but can vote at Branch Meetings.
- Where an entity (that is a company or partnership) applies for this type of membership, the entity must list all people included in this partnership.

### **4. Junior Membership**

- Where a membership is applied for by an individual under the age of 18 years, parental consent must be obtained prior to the membership being accepted by the Secretary or delegated nominees.
- Junior members are entitled to register animals on the register but cannot vote at any meeting either National or State and cannot nominate for the position of Director.
- If the individual shows animals, parents will also be required to sign a “Release for Liability” for each junior and this form must be lodged with the membership application prior to the membership being accepted.
- Received up to 5 free registrations per annum.

### **5. Support Membership**

- For people or organizations interested in Boer goats including exporters, International breed societies, International individuals, potential breeders, government bodies etc.
- This membership allows members to receive all Association publications, access to Association website (excluding areas requiring special login) and have no voting rights.
- Where an entity (that is a company or partnership) applies for this type of membership, the entity must list all people included in this partnership.

***Please Note: If joining as a partnership or company entity – all members’ names should be listed. This includes children (and their ages) who may participate in BGBAA activities. This enables the recording of all members to allow them to attend schools, information days, etc. However, there is only one voting right per entity, and a primary contact should be specified.***

To apply for membership, please complete the attached form and return it together with payment to the address above.

## **CODE OF ETHICS**

All members at the time of signing the declaration of membership, I agree to accept and be bound by the following Code of Ethics.

- Members will always use their best endeavours to increase the awareness of the Boer Goat breed and encourage a realistic appreciation of its role in the commercial goat meat industry.
- Members should advance the interests of the Association and maintain its integrity and status including observing the highest standard of stud management, professional probity, business practice and fair and proper competition.
- The business of the Association will be conducted in accordance with its Operation Manual, which details the Association's Rules and Regulations.
- Members must present a professional appearance and demeanour when representing the Association or participating in its activities. Any dishonourable or unprofessional conduct or practice, which results in a complaint lodged with the National Board will be investigated and may result in disciplinary action.
- Members must treat industry associates in a fair and equitable manner.
- Members should be willing to share their experiences.
- Prospective members and other inquirers should be treated with courtesy. Requests for information, documentation, merchandise or advice should be satisfied in a prompt, professional and impartial manner. Bias of any kind should be avoided.
- Members must always declare a conflict of interest and disqualify themselves from any activity or process where that conflict may impact.
- Animals must be presented for show or sale under their Associations approved identification regulation.
- Members are to avoid exaggeration, misrepresentation or concealment of pertinent facts.
- Members will accept the outcomes of activities conducted and decisions made under the auspices of the Association.
- Office bearers of the Associations are in a position of trust and will do nothing to abuse that trust. They will observe good and fair business principles and practice when acting on behalf of the association.
- Members will strictly observe all statutory obligations and Rules and Regulations associated with their membership and observe them not only in law but also in spirit.