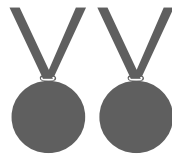


The Society for the Sydney Royal Show was founded in 1822 to improve the practice of agriculture in the Colony. Following is a quote from the Society's original 1822 prospectus:

No body of men can more effectually assist us than the Merchants and their Captains, by bringing us from foreign countries what is adapted to our climate. Vessels, touching in the winter months at the Madeira, or the Cape, and other countries noted for their wine, their figs, or their olives, might bring what, in a few years hence, may constitute the grand sources of the wealth of this Colony. The foundation of a fine vineyard, for instance, may be brought in cuttings of the vine from the Madeiras, the Canaries, or the Cape, in a rejected empty water cask.

The wine competitions are one of the oldest Show competitions; however it is uncertain as to which Exhibition held the first Competition. In some years the wine section also contained classes for other types of alcohol. For example, in 1911 it contained a sub-section for 'spirits, beers, etc'. In 1964 there were also classes for brandy, whisky, rum, gin, vodka, liqueurs and cider!

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### SILVER MEDALS

Clairault Estate Chardonnay 2006  
Clairault Semillon Sauvignon Blanc 2007



### BRONZE MEDALS

Clairault Cabernet Merlot 2005  
Clairault Cabernet Sauvignon 2005  
Clairault Sauvignon Blanc 2007  
Clairault Shiraz 2004

