

SASRI at the Eston Show

The Eston Show is one of the oldest farming exhibitions running for a total of 63 years. The show hosts several agricultural suppliers, small traders and flea market vendors. In addition, there are various competitive farming events attracting farmers from all industries. Every year SASRI uses this opportunity to network with local sugarcane growers as well as other patrons of the industry. There is also a seedcane competition held by local Midlands South Extension Specialist, Paul Botha. The competition encourages growers in the area to display some of their finest growing seedcane. Take a look at the SASRI stand for this year's show:



A bundle of Variety N61 sugarcane which won first place for best Dryland Seedcane



The FAS agricultural laboratory, based at SASRI, has recently expanded their packages on offer to include testing of soil and leaf for all crops. The lab took the opportunity to display some of their products and services available to visitors at the Eston Show.



The winning bundles of cane for best Irrigated Seedcane. Variety N54 won first place.



Posters on herbicide resistance, genetic modification in sugarcane and local variety performance were on display.



Extension Specialist, Paul Botha (right) at the SASRI stand.



Visitors at the SASRI stand were also given the chance to sample some freshly squeezed sugarcane juice (with a hint of lemon!).

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