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## The 2009 National Sausage King Competition



### The Heat Was On

New South Wales took out third place in the Gourmet category at the National Sausage King for 2009. Held in Adelaide on Saturday 7 February, Jason Douglas, Exclusive Meats, brought the only placing to New South Wales.

New South Wales Retail Chairman, Ron Stapleton, said "Not only was the weather incredibly hot, so was the competition. The sausages presented were of the highest quality and the scores were very close".

Tom Brown, Tom's Family Butchery, was a strong competitor in the Traditional Australian category. Allan Waldon, Eastern Road Quality Meats, was unfortunate not to be placed in the Pork category. Rod Sellers, Sellers Quality Meats, was the unplaced representative in the Continental category. Marc Edwards, A Cut Above Fine Foods, is a former National Sausage King but was just beaten to third place in the Poultry class.

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NSW Retail Chairman Ron Stapleton and Councillor Kevin Green giving a sausage making demonstration while being filmed by Channel 9



Stuart Gough, Exclusive Meats, receiving 3rd place for Gourmet/Open Class from Keith Gridley, Corona Mfg

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## New South Wales Retail Council Report

By Ron Stapleton

The New South Wales Retail Council met on Wednesday 21 January in the first meeting of what will be a busy year.

A Bill has been introduced into the New South Wales Parliament which has the effect of requiring all meat offered for sale in New South Wales to be described by the AUS-MEAT language and must be assessed in accordance with that language. Also there must be an audit regime to ensure the integrity of the system.

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