

COMPETITION SCHEDULE



**CAIRNS
SHOW**



**15TH - 17TH
JULY 2026**

**SECTION 30
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WELCOME FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome to Australia's largest regional agricultural show, where we proudly celebrate the very best of Far North Queensland's agriculture, industry, culture, and community. Each year, the Cairns Show brings the country to the city, uniting families, honouring traditions, and connecting generations.

Our Show offers an exciting and diverse program featuring competitions, exhibits, entertainment, and hands-on experiences. From livestock and equestrian events to arts, photography, cooking, and horticulture, we are proud to showcase the exceptional talent and passion that make our region unique. And with Queensland's largest Sideshow Alley right here at the Cairns Show, there is truly something for everyone to enjoy.

This year holds special significance as we celebrate the 121st Cairns Show alongside Cairns' 150th Anniversary - a meaningful milestone that allows us to reflect on our shared history, acknowledge the progress of our region, and celebrate the community spirit that continues to define us.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to the Federal and State Governments and the Cairns Regional Council for their valued support of the show. I also wish to acknowledge our dedicated staff, committee members, volunteers, sponsors, and exhibitors - and, of course, our visitors. Your ongoing support and enthusiasm are what make this iconic event possible year after year.

With so much to explore, one day at the Cairns Show is never enough - so come along, immerse yourself in the festivities, and enjoy everything that makes our Show truly special.

Enjoy the 2026 Cairns Show!



Mr. Ian Allen

President, Cairns Show Association

Cairns Agricultural, Pastoral, and Mining Association



ESSENTIAL SHOW INFORMATION

Cairns Show

Wednesday 15th, Thursday 16th, and Friday 17th July 2026

Gate Opening Times:

9:00am - 9:00pm daily

Please note: Some attraction closing times may vary.

Cairns Show Map:

The Cairns Show Map is available at all gate entrances, in the Cairns Show Guide, and online via the Cairns Show website, Facebook, and Instagram pages.

Gate Entrances:

1. Corner of Severin Street and Mulgrave Road (Main Gates)
2. Quigley Street
3. Mulgrave Road (in front of the Fred Moule Exhibition Centre)
4. Scott Street

Taxi Ranks:

1. Mulgrave Road (in front of the Honey Providore Horticulture Pavilion)
2. Scott Street (near St Augustine's College)
3. Corner of Mulgrave Road and Severin Street

Bus Stops:

Sunbus Pickup and Drop Offs Points:

- To the City – Mulgrave Road (opposite the Showground Main Entrance)
- From the City – Mulgrave Road (in front of the Cairns Youth Centre)
- Disability Set-Down – Corner of Mulgrave Road and Severin Street

Accessible Parking:

Parking Bay Locations:

- 5 bays on Severin Street (near Mulgrave Road)
- 5 bays on Severin Street (outside St Augustine's College Swimming Pool)

Toilets:

Please refer to the Cairns Show Map for toilet locations.

ATMS:

1. Inside the Main Gate entrance (in front of the Cairns Show Office)
2. Outside the Fred Moule Exhibition Centre
3. Inside the Scott Street entrance (next to Sideshow Alley rides)

First Aid:

1. Medical Outpost (near the Main Gate entrance)
2. Clive Gordon Main Arena (Centre Ring)
3. Opposite the Animal Nursery

Smoking:

The Cairns Show is a smoke-free environment. Smoking is only permitted in clearly signed, designated areas. Please refer to the Cairns Show Map for locations.

Cloakroom:

Located next to the Show Office. Volunteers from the FNQ Hospital Foundation will look after your items while you enjoy the Show. Free sunscreen is available.

Wheelchair/Trolley Hire:

Wheelchair and trolley hire is not available. Please come prepared and refer to the Cairns Show Map for rest areas and First Aid locations.

Dogs & Animals:

Dogs and animals are not permitted, except for service/guide dogs, approved medical support animals (ID required), and authorised Dog Show competitors.

GATE ADMISSION CHARGES

TICKETING INFORMATION

1. Purchasing Tickets Online is strongly encouraged. To purchase tickets online, please visit the Cairns Show website at www.cairnsshow.com.au.
2. Presold (discounted) tickets will be available at Pre-Sold Ticket Booth and Online. Please refer to the information below for pre-sale ticket purchasing details.
3. Tickets will also be available for purchase at the gates during the Show. Cashless payment is preferred; however, limited ATMs will be available across the grounds. Please refer to the Cairns Show Map for ATM locations.
4. Please note: A transaction fee per order applies to all ticket purchases, both online and in person, and is payable to the ticketing merchant.
5. By purchasing a ticket, you agree to the Terms and Conditions outlined on the Cairns Show website.

PRESOLD TICKETS

Discounted Presold Tickets can be purchased online at www.cairnsshow.com.au or in person at Earlville Shopping Town from **Monday 6 July** to **Monday 13 July**, between 9:00am and 5:00pm. **On Tuesday 14 July**, tickets will be available at the Main Gates of the Cairns Showgrounds from 9:00am to 5:00pm. After 5:00pm, tickets will only be available for purchase online.

Presold Ticket Types:

Valid for One Day – Any Day of the Cairns Show:

- **Adults (18 years and over) - \$30**
- **Concession/Pension - \$24***
 - For individuals 14 years and over with a valid Student ID or Pensioner Card
 - *A discounted Concession/Pension voucher may be published in the local newspaper, offering One Day – Any Day entry at \$21. Please refer to the Cairns Show website for details.*
- **Child (5 years to under 14 years) - \$16**
- **Child (Under 5 years) - FREE**
- **Family Pass (2 Adults & 2 Children) - \$75**
 - Children must be aged 5 years to under 14 years
 - Family members will receive individual tickets, allowing entry at different times on the same day

TICKETS AT THE GATE

From **12:00am Wednesday 15 July**, ticket prices will revert to standard gate pricing as listed below.

Ticket at the Gate Types:

Valid for One Day – Any Day of the Cairns Show:

- **Adults (18 years and over) - \$30**
- **Concession/Pension - \$24**
 - For individuals 14 years and over with a valid Student ID or Pensioner Card
- **Child (5 years to under 14 years) - \$16**
- **Child (Under 5 years) - FREE**
- **Family Pass (2 Adults & 2 Children) - \$78**
 - Children must be aged 5 years to under 14 years
 - Family members will receive individual tickets, allowing entry at different times on the same day

BONUS DOLLARS

1. Bonus Dollars are not available for purchase online.
2. One sheet of Bonus Dollars costs \$25 and provides \$30 value.
3. Bonus Dollars are valid for use in Sideshow Alley only and can be redeemed on rides, food, and games.
 - Not redeemable for Showbags
 - Not transferable
 - Cannot be replaced if lost, stolen, or misplaced
 - Unused tickets are non-refundable

CAIRNS SHOW ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP

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Become a Member of the Cairns Agricultural, Pastoral and Mining Association (CAPMA) and enjoy a range of benefits across the Cairns Show, Cairns Show Wine Awards, Cairns Show Auto Spectacular, and other events throughout the year.

1. To apply for membership and view the full list of member benefits, please visit our website.
2. All membership types include three-day entry to the Cairns Show.
3. Membership applications and renewals open **January 2026** and close **Friday 10 July 2026**.
4. Membership is valid for the membership year ending **31 December 2026**. The Cairns Show Association reserves the right to refuse any application. Memberships are limited and subject to availability.
5. By purchasing a Cairns Show ticket, membership, and/or Bonus Dollars, the holder agrees to the CAPMA Copyright, Privacy Policy, and Disclaimer.

MEMBERSHIP TYPES:

Annual Membership - \$120

Or \$1200 for a Permanent 10-Year Membership

CAPMA Members aged 18 years and over receive the following benefits:

1. One (1) Member's Shield providing unrestricted three-day entry to the Cairns Show (single person entry).
2. One (1) Member's Guest Shield providing unrestricted three-day entry to the Cairns Show (non-transferable, single person entry).
3. Access to the De Jarlais Members Pavilion during the Cairns Show. *(Buffet and bar are not included and are payable directly to vendors on the day.)*
4. Access to exclusive Member deals during the Cairns Show

ShowTime Membership - \$65

Available as part of the ShowTime promotional offer only.

ShowTime Members receive the following benefits:

1. One (1) Member's Shield providing unrestricted three-day entry to the Cairns Show (single person entry).
2. Access to the De Jarlais Members Pavilion during the Cairns Show. *(Buffet and bar are not included and are payable directly to vendors on the day.)*
3. Access to exclusive Member deals during the Cairns Show.

Concession Membership - \$24

CAPMA Members aged 14 years to under 18 receive:

1. One (1) Member's Shield providing unrestricted three-day entry to the Cairns Show (single person entry).
2. Access to the De Jarlais Members Pavilion during the Cairns Show.
 - Buffet and bar are not included and are payable directly to vendors on the day.)
 - Members under 18 years must be always accompanied by an adult.

Concession Members aged 18 years and over receive the above, plus:

- Must hold and present valid Concessional Student Identification.
- Access to exclusive Member deals during the Cairns Show.

Child Membership - \$17

CAPMA Members aged 5 years to under 14 receive:

1. One (1) Member's Shield providing unrestricted three-day entry to the Cairns Show (single person entry).
 2. Access to the De Jarlais Members Pavilion during the Cairns Show.
 - Buffet and bar are not included and are payable directly to vendors on the day.)
- Members under 18 years must be always accompanied by an adult.

GENERAL CONDITIONS - COMPETITIONS

ENTRY & COMPETITIONS

This Show operates in accordance with the regulations of the Queensland Chamber of Agricultural Societies, the Constitution and Rules of the Cairns Agricultural, Pastoral and Mining Association (CAPMA), and the regulations outlined within each section of this Show Schedule. In the event of any inconsistency, the rules and regulations contained within this Society's Schedule will take precedence.

For detailed information on the Queensland Chamber of Agricultural Societies regulations, please visit www.queenslandshows.com.au.

By participating in any class within this Schedule, all exhibitors and competitors agree to indemnify the Cairns Agricultural, Pastoral and Mining Association against any liability for accidents, damage, loss, or illness involving any exhibit, exhibitor, or competitor. All competitions are conducted under the full authority of CAPMA, and all decisions made by the Association are final.

THE CAIRNS AGRICULTURAL PASTORAL AND MINING ASSOCIATION

1. Competition entries and membership applications will not be accepted over the phone.
2. Each Section will have an appointed Chief Steward responsible for representing that Section in all matters. Failure to follow lawful directions from Stewards, Committee Members, or Staff, or any form of verbal or physical abuse, may result in disciplinary action, including exclusion from competitions and/or removal from the Cairns Showgrounds.
3. Judges will be appointed, and all judging decisions are final. No correspondence, verbal or written, will be entered.
4. **The Association reserves the right to make decisions, additions, or amendments to this Schedule, including Conditions of Entry and Special Regulations, without notice.**
5. By entering any competition, exhibitors acknowledge and agree to comply with all Conditions of Entry.
6. Judges must not have access to any information beyond that provided by CAPMA. Vice Presidents are not permitted to compete in sections under their direct control.

ANIMAL AND BIRD EXHIBITORS

1. All animal and bird exhibitors must complete an Exhibit Health Declaration upon delivery of their entry and comply with all health requirements outlined in the declaration. Forms are available from the Show Office or at www.cairnsshow.com.au.
2. Animal owners are responsible for all veterinary costs incurred. The Cairns Show will not cover veterinary expenses.
3. Entry to the grounds is subject to the following conditions:
 - a. Glass items are prohibited on the grounds.
 - b. All electrical leads must be tested and tagged in accordance with relevant industrial regulations.
 - c. Dogs must be always kept on a leash.

PRIZE MONEY & GST

Prize money listed in the Schedule is exclusive of GST. GST will be added for exhibitors registered for GST purposes. The Association will issue a Recipient Created Tax Invoice to eligible exhibitors.

PRIVACY STATEMENT

The Cairns Show Association collects and uses information provided in membership and competition entry applications to deliver member services and to organise and conduct competitions. By applying for membership or entering competitions, you consent to providing personal details such as name, address, and exhibit information. Competition results and details may be shared with media and included in publications. Your personal information will not be disclosed for any other purpose without your consent, unless required by law.

SECTION 20 QCWA

KEY INFORMATION

Queensland Country Women's Association (QCWA) - Innisfail & Cairns Schedule for 2026

Entry Fee: FREE

Prize: *As Stated*

Entries Close: 8:30am **Tuesday 14th July.**

Delivery of Exhibits: 8am **Tuesday 14th July** - Honey Providore Horticulture Pavilion (Cairns Youth Centre).

Judging: All entries must be ready by 8:30am on **Tuesday 14th July**. Judging will commence at 9:00am.

Collection of Exhibits: No entries may be removed before 8pm **Friday 17th July**. Entries must be collected on **Saturday 18th July** between 7am-9am. Please consider others during this time.

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- All entries can be the work of a member of your branch or someone who comes along to your craft days on a regular basis.
- **Each Branch Must Have 12 Entries - Two Are Compulsory - The Sewing and The Recycled Item. One Must Be Hard Craft.**
- "Sections" are referred to as "Classes" at the Cairns Show. Classes 1 and 2 are compulsory for each branch.
- All entries must be new and to have been completed in the last two (2) years.
- All entries must be completely finished.
- Work must not have been done under tuition or in class.
- Section cards must be attached to front of items either pinned or taped.
- Any entry that does not comply with the schedule will be given a score of a minimum of 5 points for the effort. We need to encourage not to discourage anyone who wishes to enter.
- **Judge's Decision Is Final!**

SPECIAL REGULATIONS

- All embroidery backs to be seen, if possible, except for framed items and lined sewn items such as bags, quilts and cushions.
- Framed work should be wired for hanging.
- Due to lack of space for displays **ONLY SINGLE BED QUILT SIZE** can be accepted.
- Please no entries to be sewn to cardboard or any other backing before judging.
- Cushion inserts can be used for display purposes.
- Displays may have minimal embellishments.
- Please note that all items marked with an asterisk are on the State Handcraft Schedule for 2026, including those below which are not on our Show Schedule - Badge Tab and Product of the Year "Strawberry" and Feature Section "Buttons & Bows".
- Please check State schedule for sizes and conditions of entry.

AFTER THE SHOW

Exhibits NOT collected by Friday 28th August 2026 will become Property of the Cairns Show Association. Results will be available from the Cairns Show website AFTER the conclusion of the Show.

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- Class 30001** Sewing Machine cover - Any Medium
- Class 30002** Recycled or Thrift Article - Open
Any Medium, can have up to 20% New Material and a Photo, where possible, of Article/Item that it is made from along with a description and use.
- Class 30003** Counted Thread Embroidery - Own Choice
*Example: *Florentine, Kogin.*
- Class 30004** Swedish Darning (on Aida)
- Class 30005** *Pattern Darning (on evenweave or Davosa)
- Class 30006** Hardanger
Any Item
- Class 30007** *Needle weaving - Any Item
- Class 30008** Blackwork or Wessex Embroidery
Any Item
- Class 30009** Pulled Thread or Drawn Thread - Myrescha
Any Article
- Class 30010** Brazilian, Elizabethan or Casalguidi Embroidery
Any Item
- Class 30011** *Stumpwork - Any Item
- Class 30012** Traced Embroidery
Any Item - Edge not to be Judged.
- Class 30013** *Any Embroidery on Gingham
Including Chicken Scratch, Australian Cross Stitch or Embroidery - Any Item.*
- Class 30014** Huckaback or New Huck
Any Item
- Class 30015** Pentagles
Any Item
- Class 30016** Candlewicking
Any Item
- Class 30017** Mount Mellick, Deerfield or Dorset
Any Item
- Class 30018** Filet Net or Snutki
Any Item

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- Class 30019** Lagartera, Jacobean or Crewel Embroidery
Any Item
- Class 30020** Silk Ribbon Embroidery
Any Item
- Class 30021** Cushion Cover
Any Medium
- Class 30022** Smocking
Any Article, Any Fabric.
- Class 30023** *English Smocking
- Class 30024** Canvas Stitchery
*Any Item. Example: Florentine, Tapestry, Long stitch, Latch-Hook or *Norweave.*
- Class 30025** Cross Stitch
Any Item. Includes Assisi and Italian.
- Class 30026** *Machine Made Bag
Any Medium. State must be hand embroidered and hand decorated.
- Class 30027** *Shadow Work
Including Shadow Trapunto, Applique, Embroidery - Any Item
- Class 30028** Patchwork, *English Paper Piecing
Any Item, including Single Quilts, Runners, etc.
- Class 30029** Patchwork, Placement as per State Patchwork Competition
- Class 30030** Quilling, Paper Tole or Parchment Embossing
Any Item
- Class 30031** Freestyle Embroidery Hand Embroidered
Any Article
- Class 30032** Freestyle Embroidery Machine Embroidered
Any Article
- Class 30033** Tatting or Bobbin Lace
Any Article
- Class 30034** Freeform Knitting and/or Crochet
Any Item
- Class 30035** Knitted or Crochet Knee Rug
Size 125cm x 125cm.

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- Class 30036** Tunisian (Tricot), Hairpin, Bullion Crochet or Knocking
Any Article
- Class 30037** Tea Cosy
Any Medium, but must be lined.
- Class 30038** *Sashiko
Any Article
- Class 30039** Bear
Any Medium, Any Style.
- Class 30040** Mesh Weaving
Any Item
- Class 30041** Toy
Any Medium
- Class 30042** Doll
Any Medium, Any variety
- Class 30043** *Reborn Doll
Must be dressed.
- Class 30044** *Handkerchief
Any Edge or Corner.
- Class 30045** Gold or Silver Needlework
Any Item
- Class 30046** Childs Garment - 0 to 12 Years
Must be knitted or Crochet
- Class 30047** *Felted Article
*Any Medium. Example: *Wet or Needle.*
- Class 30048** Embroidered Bag
Any Medium, Embellishments allowed.
- Class 30049** *Ribbon weaving
- Class 30050** *Embroidered doiley with crochet edge
Both to be judged.
- Class 30051** *Mosaics
Any Item
- Class 30052** Crochet Doiley
Any Medium can be beaded.

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- Class 30053** Beaded Article
Not Knitted or Crochet.
- Class 30054** Beadwork Jewellery
Any Item
- Class 30055** *Kumihimo Braid Necklace
- Class 30056** Brooch
Any Medium, may be soft or hard craft.
- Class 30057** Knitted or Crochet Beaded Article
Any Medium
- Class 30058** Christmas Decoration
Any Item.
- Class 30059** Scrapbooking
Two pages and may be displayed in album.
- Class 30060** *State "Christmas Box"
Any Medium. Up to 20cm.
- Class 30061** *Set of 3 Cards & Envelopes
Must be three different Techniques and include a greeting and displayed in plastic sleeve.
**State in individual cellophane bags, NOT plastic.*
- Class 30062** *Wood Burning
Any Article
- Class 30063** Decoupage
May be any form and any article
- Class 30064** Painting
Any Medium
- Class 30065** Any 3 Coat Hangers
Any Medium, different Techniques. Example: Smocked, Knitted or Crochet.
- Class 30066** Woodwork
Any Article
- Class 30067** Fabric Waistcoat
Creative, Any Medium
- Class 30068** Unicraft
Any Article, Any Medium
- Class 30069** Stool Seating
Any Medium

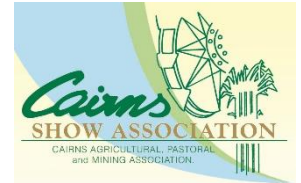
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- Class 30070** *Macrame
Any Item, Any Medium. Maximum 1 metre in length.
*State is a wall hanging.
- Class 30071** Flowers
Any Medium, must be Handmade, set of 3 or more. May be attached to an item. Flowers only to be Judged.
- Class 30072** Machine Embroidered Item
- Class 30073** Decorative Painting and/or *Folk Art
Can be Mixed Media.
- Class 30074** *Any Other Soft Craft Not Previously Mentioned
- Class 30075** *Junk Journalling
- Class 30076** *Any Other Hard Craft Not Previously Mentioned
- Class 30077** Any Soft Craft - Over 70 Years
- Class 30078** Any Hard Craft - Over 70 Years
- Class 30079** Embroidery - Over 70 Years

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