

COMPETITION SCHEDULE



**CAIRNS  
SHOW**



**15TH - 17TH  
JULY 2026**

**SECTION 7  
PRIME & STORE  
BEEF**



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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 15<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>, and Friday 17<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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](http://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*

- **Adult (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*

- **Adult (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](http://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](http://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 7 PRIME & STORE CATTLE****OFFICIALS**

**Vice President in Charge:** Mr. Ley James

**Stewards:** Mr. Bob Lockhart

**Steward:** Mr. Rowan Hoffman

**KEY INFORMATION**

**Entry Fee:** \$30 per Class.

**Prize:** 1st - \$300, 2nd - \$200, 3rd - \$100 (for all show Cattle in all Classes).

**Entries Close:** Thursday 9th July.

**Delivery of Animals:** Prior 1pm **Wednesday 15th July** - Mareeba Saleyards.

**Health Certificate & CO720 Waybill:** Must be provided on delivery of animals.

**Consigned to:** NUTRIEN AG SOLUTIONS (NAS).

**Destination:** Mareeba Saleyards 13 Barret Street.

**Unloading of Animals:** On arrival at the Saleyards all cattle must be unloaded by the owner or his representative. All exhibits are to be unloaded separately as per their Classes. The Agent and Stewards will mouth, weigh, and pen all entries as per their Classes for Judging.

**Judging:** 8am **Thursday 16th July**. Store Cattle to follow. All single entries are to be Judged on Quality and Trade Suitability.

**Sale Starting Time:** 10am **Thursday 16th July**.

**Presentation of Winners:** 2pm **Thursday 16th July**.

**Mareeba Saleyard Pic Number:** QEMEO448

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**Cairns Agricultural, Pastoral and Mining Association, Nutrien Ag Solutions, Mareeba Saleyards, Peter and Kate Waddell.**

**HOW TO ENTER**

1. Complete an Entry online or in person at the Cairns Show Office, or post via PO Box 811 Bungalow, QLD 4870.
2. Entries will not be accepted over the phone or after the closing date, unless agreed to by Chief Steward.
3. Pay for Entry Fees online, by direct deposit, or in person at the Cairns Show Office (cash accepted).
4. Entries must be delivered to the Mareeba Saleyards by the due date and date shown.
5. Prize Money is paid by the Cairns Show Office after finalisation of results (usually no later than end of August).

## SPECIAL REGULATIONS

- Refer to General Conditions of Entry.
- All intending exhibitors must mouth their cattle before entering them into the correct classes. Mouthing will be double checked at the Saleyards by the Stewards to ensure the Cattle have been entered into the appropriate classes. At this point the Stewards will fit an ear tag to indicate entry number and teeth status. Prime Beef Cattle will be judged as per ear tag.
- All cattle must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor.
- All cattle will be fed by the Mareeba Saleyards Manager until Curfew time on Wednesday at the expense of the vendor.
- All entries received are subject to the right of Stewards to reject any cattle not up to Show standard and if required to arrange for some to be removed from the ground before Judging commences.
- Stewards also retain the right to transfer any entry to a more suitable Class.
- All cattle will be poll, tipped or dehorned. Cattle with sharp horns will not be accepted.
- A signed Health Certificate by owner or representative and copy of waybill must be provided upon delivery of animals.
- The following colour ear tags will be fitted to indicate age:
  - Orange - Milk Teeth
  - White - 2 Teeth
  - Blue - 4 Teeth
  - Yellow - 6 Teeth
  - Green - Full Mouth.
- In the event of an exhibit in any one class not being worthy of a prize. No prize money will be awarded.
- Champions may be selected from single or pen classes.
- All cattle will be weighed and lot numbered on arrival at Saleyards.
- All animals exhibited are to be of good general health and free of transmittable diseases. Cattle must be in a nil (ESI) export slaughter interval or with nil (WHP) withholding period.
- All cattle must be available for sale.
- Cattle cannot be entered or compete in more than one class.
- Entries are to be pasture and/or crop fed only.
- All animals to be exhibited must be registered with the National Livestock Identification System (NILS) and have come of a PIC with a current biosecurity plan.
- The cattle will then be sold on a cents per kg basis on Thursday morning and weighed immediately afterwards. This will be the pay weight as per a normal liveweight cattle sale.



**MALE CLASSES****GRAIN ASSIST**

**Class 7001** Pen of 6 - Steers to 600kg

**GRASS TRADE OX**

**Class 7002** Pen of 6 Ox - Steers to 600kg

**EXPORT STEERS**

**Class 7003** Pen of 10 - Steers to 280kg to 380kg

**WEANER STEERS**

**Class 7004** Pen of 10 - Milk Tooth Steers 200kg to 300kg

**HEAVY WEIGHT OX**

**Class 7005** Any Number of Ox Over 600kg

**FEMALE CLASSES****GRAIN ASSIST**

**Class 7006** Pen of 6 - Milk tooth to 2 tooth Heifers 380kg to 500kg

**TRADE HEIFERS**

**Class 7007** Pen of 6 - 6 Tooth Heifers 380kg to 560kg

**EXPORT HEIFERS**

**Class 7008** Pen of 10 - 4 Tooth Heifers 200kg to 380kg

**WEANER HEIFERS**

**Class 7009** Pen of 10 - Milk Tooth Heifers 180kg to 300kg

**COWS**

**Class 7010** Pen of 10 - 8 Tooth Cows 400kg to 520kg

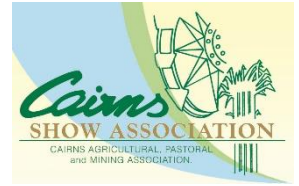
**SECTION 7 PRIME & STORE CATTLE****GRASS FED CHAMPION BEAST OF SHOW - \$300****Prize: \$300****GRASS FED GRAND CHAMPION PEN OF SHOW - \$300****Prize: \$300****GRAIN ASSISTED GRAND CHAMPION BEAST OF SHOW - \$300****Prize: \$300****PAT WILLIAMS CHAMPION EXHIBIT OF SHOW - \$300****Prize: \$300 + Pat Williams Woodleigh Station Memorial Perpetual Trophy + Sash****Sponsored by Peter and Kate Waddell****MOST SUCCESSFUL PRIME BEEF EXHIBITOR OF THE SHOW - \$300****Prize: \$300 + Harriman Family Perpetual Trophy + Sash**



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