# TAROOM SHOW SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

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April 2014

#### Miss Showgirls announced at luncheon

The inaugural Ladies Luncheon, which incorporated the Miss Showgirl competition, was an outstanding success on April 5. Fifty-four ladies enjoyed a sold-out lunch of cold meats and divine salads, followed by exquisite dessert towers ladled with cakes and slices. Guest speaks included Wallumbilla based artist Anne Cameron, Theodore's Rhubarb Boutique owner Caitlin Hewitt, and Dr Rohani Oorloff who spoke about mental health in rural communities.



Local girl Danielle Brown was named the 2014 Miss Taroom Showgirl. In the show princess section, Natalya Schumacher was announced as the winner, while Georgie Brown was a close runner up. Congratulations to the three young ladies for entering the competition.

Benita Hay from Wandoan was joined by Anne Cameron and Dr Rohani Oorloff on the judging panel. The Taroom Show Society would like to thank everyone who attended and helped out on the day, but a particular thanks must go to Christie Menzies. Christie did an exceptional job in organising this new event which looks set to appear on the social calendar annually.

Picture: Miss Show Princess runner-up Georgie Brown, Miss Show Princess winner Natalya Schumacher, Miss Taroom Showgirl Danielle Brown, and Showgirl coordinator Christie Menzies.

#### Show opener, announcer revealed

By popular demand, show announcer Julie Gee will return to Taroom again this year to take control of the microphone. Patrons to the show will become familiar with Julie's voice over the two day event, as she makes her way around all the sections, competitions, and displays.

Taroom Show Society president Shane Williams said the committee were extremely impressed with Julie last year, because of her genuine involvement with the show and how she engaged with the community.

"It was refreshing to hear a new voice announcing last year. Julie made such a good impression that we just had to invite her back," Mr Williams said.

Opening the 2014 show will be the 2013 Queensland Rural Ambassador winner, Jessamine Crawford. Jessamine is the secretary of the Emerald Show and the Central Highlands sub-chamber, and is also a QCAS Next Generation member.

She says she grew up competing in ring events at her local and surrounding shows.

"I gained a lot of life skills and have so many wonderful memories thanks to the Queensland show movement," Jessamine said.

"My involvement with Queensland shows have helped shape me into the person I am today. It is now time for me to give that back. I'm very passionate about my community, our shows, the agricultural industry and getting the younger generation involved to continue the show tradition for many years to come."

\*The official show opening will be on Tuesday 6 May at 1pm



- Stud and prime cattle feature
- Clubs, groups at the show
- Santos Ladies marquee

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#### Stud section offers largest prize pool in Queensland

This year the Taroom Show's stud cattle section will have a record prize money pool of over \$7,600 up for grabs, giving the show bragging rights to hosting arguably one of the richest prize pools for a stud cattle section in rural Queensland. Two of the big drawcards to the day's events are the Junior Bull and Super Bull Challenges. They are designed to help promote some of the best up and coming bulls, with the majority of them being on the market this coming selling season or available for private sale now. The Super Bull



Winner of the 2013 Junior Bull Challenge, Advance Hercules, exhibited by Steve Hayward.

Challenge is unique to Taroom, with half the points allocated for the placing coming from five judges inside the judging ring, while the second half of the points come from the crowd vote outside the judging ring. Anyone can buy tickets to vote for their preferred bull and money raised from ticket sales goes towards the ICPA. Ben Adams said the committee would like to take the chance to thank all of the valued sponsors, with many of them being local, for their support. Without them it would not be possible.

\*For any enquiries about the stud cattle section please contact Ben Adams on 0427 061 081 or ben@dangarfield.com.au

"I have been showing cattle at the Taroom Show for around 30 years and it has always been a great show to promote bulls for the upcoming sale season.

The show is well run for the amount of cattle that it attracts and always draws a good crowd.

The recent addition of the Super Bull and Junior Bull Challenges and the prize money on offer is always an incentive to take the best bulls us and our clients have for the year."

Steve Hayward, Advance Fitting Service, Allora.

Steve Hayward was the winner of the 2013 Junior Bull and Super Bull Challenge with Charolais bulls he and his partner Kellie Smith bred themselves.

"Our family have been showing stud and prime cattle and led steers at the Taroom Show for many years. Our children grew up competing in the junior paraders, and our youngest daughter started when she was three.

We have always enjoyed the good competition in the classes, and it's a good show to advertise what you are producing in your cattle. There is a good crowd of cattlemen and woman watching the judging, which is great to see. There is also a strong sense of atmosphere outside the show ring which makes you feel very welcome. We wish the Taroom Show Society all the best for the 204 show."

Adam and Karen Mayes and family, Chilgerrie Hill Santa Gertrudis Stud, Wandoan

#### **Beef Bonanza legacy**

After a recent meeting of active Leichardt Country Beef Bonanza committee members, it has been decided that the show sale that use to take place in Wandoan will no longer be. However the legacy of the name will prevail, as equal proceeds will be dispersed to the cattle sections of the Taroom and Wandoan Show Societies. These generous funds will allow the cattle sections of the shows to continue to grow, with the benefit of improved amenities and infrastructure for show patrons to enjoy. A plaque in recognition of the Beef Bonanza will be displayed on something the show societies purchase from the donations.

#### Prime cattle update

Even though the wonderful break in the season has only just arrived, the prime committee are asking all producers to go the extra mile to still present store and prime cattle. A broad range of classes will cater for all livestock, and the 2014 program will see \$2500 in cash and trophies available for placegetters. The committee have also announced a special encouragement award sponsored at \$350, which will be presented to a young exhibitor in the prime or store classes showing passion and commitment to the future of the Australian beef industry. For more information, please contact Randall Zeiseimer or Luke Hopkins.



#### **Taroom Showground electrical upgrade**

The Banana Shire Council is working towards the upgrade of the current electrical supply and lighting within the Taroom showgrounds. Council has engaged an electrician to ensure that the supply for the grounds will be secure for the up and coming show. After the 2014 Taroom Show, the electrician will continue working on the site to complete the upgrade works.

#### **Black Toyota Working Stockhorse feature**

Another attraction at the upcoming Taroom Show will be the Black Toyota Working Stockhorse feature.





This event will see some of the best horseman and women

display the versatility, agility and performance of the Stockhorse. Scored out of 100, horses are judged on conformation, paces, and working ability. Black Toyota has kindly donated \$500 prize money for this feature, which includes a junior section for competitors under 17 years, an open event, and a stockman's turnout. With a first prize of \$200 for the open working stockhorse, locals are encouraged to nominate.

#### Things you need to know before the show!

#### Pavilion's lucky door prize

This year the pavilion will have a lucky door prize. Every person to enter the Ladies Pavilion will receive a ticket to go in the draw to win \$80.

Make sure you stop by to look at the new feature class, called 'Something Beginning With T'.

#### **Programs and schedules**

Nomination closing dates and entry forms for competitions at the Taroom Show can be found in all the programs and schedules, which are available online at www.taroomshow.com.au or you can email the secretary at admin@taroomshowsociety.com

#### Miss Showgirl junior competitions

Miss Junior Showgirl 8-12 years, Miss Junior Show Princess under 8 years. Judging to be held at the Ladies Marquee 9:30am Tuesday 6 May. Nominations from 9am on the day to Christie Menzies. Dress code is show attire. Please note girls will have to stand in front of an audience. Younger entrants may be accompanied by an adult.

#### New photography class

The Banana Shire Council will sponsor two new photo classes this year-people at work, and people at leisure within the Banana Shire. Frist prize of \$30, second \$20, third \$10. All entries become property of the council. Find the required entry form online.

#### Things to do, things to see!

Six bar under lights, the Lumberjack Show, Santos ladies morning tea, Fiona Flanders health living and cooking demo, pet parade, official luncheon, show opening, grand parade, fireworks, ring events, stud and prime cattle, pavilion displays, side show alley, Old McDonalds farm, puppets, plus more!

#### **Rural Ambassador competitions**

Judging Monday 5 May at Showgrounds. Open to men and women, single or married aged 20-30 years with an interest in agriculture and their local show. Interviews and lunch with judges at Phipps Complex 1pm. Public interview and announcement of winners 3:30pm Cattleman's Bar. Nomination forms at www.queenslandshows.com.au

#### **Best dressed competitions**

This year the best dressed competition will be judged at the Santos Ladies Marquee on Tuesday 6 May. Prizes and trophies have kindly been donated to all categories, which include:

**Best dressed gentleman**- Kay and Gay's Kitchen, Taroom Bowls Club trophy

Best dressed lady- Zig Zags Hairdressing voucher

Most suitably attired teenage girl- Hemisphere Hairdressing voucher

Most suitably attired teenage boy-\$50 Sanity gift voucher

Toowoomba Grammar School ladies hat competition- first prize \$100, second \$80, third \$50

Toowoomba Grammar School girls hat competition- first prize \$50, second \$40, third \$20

#### Fundraising vital at Taroom Show for local clubs, groups

#### Lions

The Lions Club will again be selling their famous hot chips at the Taroom Show.

Many locals would agree you haven't experienced the real Taroom Show until you've had a cup of Lions hot chips. All proceeds from sales go back into helping the local community.

#### **Taroom Scouts**

Scouts will be selling morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea from their canteen next to the Cattleman's Bar. Scouts aim to encourage and promote the physical, intellectual, emotional, social and spiritual development of young people in the Taroom area.

#### **Taroom Kindergarten Association**

The Taroom Kindergarten will be face painting, and in the evenings selling 'glow in the dark' items. The following fundraising activities will also be running: mother's day raffle (prizes include Mixmaster, hamper), load of firewood raffle, taking firewood orders (cut, split, delivered in town), recycling batteries and mobile phones, and a home style bake pie drive. Each year a stall is run to fundraise for the general running costs of the kindy.

#### Playgroup

Playgroup will hold a 'Teddy Bears
Picnic' on May 6. The stall will
involve teddy bear activities
including bear bags for decorating,
tea party role play, beads and threading, bear
painting, play dough and a picnic with singing and
dancing. Children from 0 to 5 are invited, and will
need an older responsible person to attend. Entry is
a gold coin donation, to help raise funds for a
storage shed for resources.

#### **Palliative Care**

The Palliative Care group will be supplying lunch for the official guests on Tuesday. The role of the Taroom Shire Cancer and Palliative Care Inc is to help those in need in the community providing medical aid to the aged, ill and injured plus accommodation and support for families and carers at Kookaburra Place.



Palliative Care Australia

#### Isolated Children's Parent Association

The Taroom ICPA branch will be selling voting tickets at the Super Bull Challenge. Money raised goes



towards sending two local delegates to the state ICPA conference. ICPA (Aust) is a voluntary, non-profit, apolitical parent body dedicated to ensuring that

all rural and remote students have equity of access to a continuing and appropriate education.

#### Taroom State School P&C

The gates to the Taroom Show will be managed by the Taroom State School P&C. Parents of the school will be welcoming everyone as they pass through. The show society makes a donation to the P&C to raise funds for the school trip to the NT.

### TAROOM SHOW MAY 5 & 6



#### Be quick to receive membership benefits

Time is running out to become a member of the Taroom Show Society. Membership entitles you and your family to free entry to the show, recognition in the show schedule, voting rights at meetings and the AGM, discounts to show society functions, and the chance to win big in the Members Only Draw. First prize is valued around \$400, while second and third place getters will receive a \$50 IGA voucher. The fourth drawn ticket will win \$50 worth of side show rides donated by the Taroom Show Society, while fifth and sixth place will also receive \$25 worth of side show tickets. Winners will be drawn on Tuesday 6 May after the official opening. The show society says there is too much to see at the show in one day, so they recommend everyone to become a member to receive free entry for both days!

Many thanks to the following businesses for their generous support:

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## Santos GLNG Ladies Marquee

6 May | Taroom Showgrounds | Taroom

Ladies are invited to retreat at the Taroom Show's newest feature, the Santos GLNG Ladies Marquee. Highlights include:

- The announcement of the Taroom Show Fashions of the Day winners at 11.30am. Categories: Best dressed gentleman | Best dressed lady | Most suitably attired teenage girl Most suitably attired teenage boy | Ladies hat competition | Girls hat competition
- The chance to WIN a pamper package when you register at the Santos GLNG Ladies Marquee
- Cooking display and tastings by Fiona Flanders
- Morning tea and coffee at the Little Rascall's stall

The marquee opens at 9am. Come and treat yourself to a day of fun and activities!

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