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TAROOM TO HOST QUEENSLAND SHOWJUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS

“On behalf of the Queensland Showjumping Committee, I would like to advise you that you have been successful in your application to host the 2016 Queensland State Showjumping Championships”
- Christine Bradfield, Queensland Showjumping Committee

It’s shaping up to be a massive year for the Taroom Show Society– so far the committee has enjoyed wins at the inaugural Queensland Shows Awards, the show society is preparing to host the South West Queensland subchamber regional finals in June, and it’s been confirmed that Taroom will also host the Queensland Showjumping Championships which will run in conjunction with the Taroom Show.

President Shane Williams said the committee is very excited to host an event of such calibre.

“We pride ourselves on delivering top rate competition and excellent facilities every year for our showjumpers,” Mr Williams said.

“The Taroom Showgrounds are often described as one of the best jumping surfaces in the state. The committee spends countless hours watering the ring to ensure the surface is right, and this year will be no different.

“We are fortunate to receive great support from our sponsors and competitors who come each and every year, and their support has helped us in securing this prestigious event,” Mr Williams said.

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TAROOM SHOW - MONDAY 2 AND TUESDAY 3 MAY, 2016

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Where has the past 12 months gone? All of a sudden the countdown to the Taroom Show is well and truly underway, and the committee are busy pulling the final few strings together to bring you another magnificent show.

Our entertainment is just about finalised- look out for an entertainment feature in the March newsletter. We've got cattle back in the program this year- the Super Bull Challenge is always a spectacular event. The Santos GLNG Town & Country Pavilion will be bigger and better, with more stall holders locked in.

We've got chooks, a fashion parade, a mental health display, the pet parade, and a whole heap more. Keep your eye out for the coming newsletters, which will have all the things you need to know for this year's Taroom Show.

- Shane Williams, Taroom Show Society president

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CONGRATULATIONS TO RAFFLE WINNERS

Amanda Batterham has won the Thermomix in the show society raffle which was drawn late in 2015. The IGA gift voucher for second prize was won by Ian Phipps. A big thank you to everyone who purchased tickets, and also to the generous sponsors.

“I would like to thank the Taroom Show committee for running the Thermomix raffle. I'm enjoying learning how to use it and making delicious foods. Thank you to Tracey Smith from Thermomix for getting me started with it”

- Amanda Batterham

WOMEN'S WELDING COMPETITION

The men on the show committee have decided if they are going to be judged on their cooking skills, then its time the ladies proved their ability when it comes to... welding!

That's right, the pavilion will this year host a women's only welding competition. The rules are: create a pyramid no larger than 30cm tall or wide, use any type or gauge of steel, only a stick welder is to be used, and no grinding or painting is allowed.

For more information, please contact show president Shane Williams on 0458 767 306.



NEW INCENTIVES FOR COMMERCIAL CATTLE

Even though the wonderful break in the season has only just arrived, the commercial cattle committee asks that all producers make an extra effort to present some prime and store cattle at this year's show on May 2 and 3.

Now is the time to start drafting out any potential champions, which will help to showcase the renowned quality beef region that we all call home. A broad range of classes will cater for all livestock descriptions, and this year's program will see in excess of \$4000 in cash, product vouchers and trophy's available for the winners.

The committee is also pleased to announce several incentives for exhibitors. All cattle exhibits will be fed at no cost to the vendor. Wes and Sue Presho from Utopia Transport have kindly offered to carry exhibits to and from the showgrounds for those without their own transport (conditions apply).

In the past, committee members have often been approached by patrons indicating their willingness to provide cattle for this important part of the show. The committee is hopeful that this year's enticements- including an increased cash pool, cattle feed and cartage- will encourage previous and new entries into this section.

* For more information, please contact Randall Ziesemer on 0407 224 050 or Luke Hopkins on 0427 129 060. Schedules can be found online.



2016 COMMERCIAL CATTLE CLASSES

Section C- grass/ crop fed classes

- A- Two steers 651- 760kg, suitable for Japanese trade
- B- Two steers 551- 650kg
- C- Two steers 550kg and under, suitable for domestic trade
- D- Four light trade steers either sex or mixed, under 400kg
- E- Single steer 651- 760kg, suitable for Japanese trade
- F- Single steer 551- 650kg
- G- Single steer 550kg and under, suitable for domestic trade
- H- Two heifers 501- 650kg
- I- Two heifers 500kg and under
- J- Single heifer 501- 650kg
- K- Single heifer 500kg and under
- L- Single cow 501kg and over

Section C1- grain fed classes

- M- Two steers 651- 760kg, suitable for Japanese trade
- N- Two steers 551-650kg
- O- Single steer 761kg and over
- P- Single steer 651-760kg, suitable for Japanese trade
- Q- Single steer 551- 650kg

Section C2- store classes

- 1- Pen of five commercial replacement heifers, 14- 22 months
- 2- Pen of five store cattle (steers or heifers), milk teeth, 350kg average
- 3- Pen of five feed on cattle (steers or heifers), not exceeding four teeth, 351-500kg

Left: Sue Presho, sponsor Lexy Walker from Allflex, (front) Wes Presho, and judge George Pitkin at the 2014 Taroom Show. The Presho family won the champion grass or crop fed pen.

The Taroom Show Society is pleased to announce it will host the 2016 South West Queensland Subchamber regional finals on June 25.

A night time function including a two course dinner will see the announcements made for the South West Miss Showgirl, Rural Ambassador, dark rich fruit cake, farmers challenge and ute winners.

For more information or to book a ticket, please contact Taroom Show secretary Jess Oliver on 0407 200 163 or email admin@taroomshow.com.au. Tickets will be available for purchase from the Taroom Vet Surgery at a later date.

PAVILION UPDATES

SHOW CHALLENGE

This year's show challenge theme is 'wandering up the garden path'. You can enter an item of any medium that represents the theme of 'wandering up the garden path'. Entries can be in the form of art, cooking, craft, flowers, installations, jewellery, leather work, sewing, wood work, etc. Any size (within reason) will be accepted, and entry is open to all ages. The entry fee is \$1.00. First prize will be \$100 generously donated by Ivan and Tracee Hay and family, while the Jessie Perrett Memorial trophy and \$50 will be given to the views choice.

FEATURE SECTION: DECORATED HATS

The feature section for 2016 will be section J. Use your imagination with horticulture to create an eye catching, decorative hat!

MEN'S COOKING CLASS

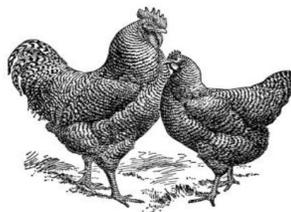
This year the male cooks in the district will need to whip up an un-iced sponge cake for the popular men's cooking class. Last year it was young gun Stu Bell who took the blue ribbon for his scones, but can Don Lethbridge make a comeback with another cake recipe? Stay tuned!



SCHEDULES AVAILABLE ONLINE

Over the coming weeks, schedules for various sections of the show will be available online at www.taroomshow.com.au

NEW POULTRY SECTION



The Taroom Show Society is excited to announce it will feature a poultry section this year. There are open classes, local classes, and even a class specifically for competitors under 17 years of age.

There will be 11 classes in this section's inaugural year, including:

1. Heavy soft feather cockerel/rooster
2. Heavy soft feather pullet/hen
3. Light soft feather cockerel/rooster
4. Light soft feather pullet/hen
5. Bantam soft feather cockerel/rooster
6. Bantam soft feather pullet/hen
7. Ugliest hen/rooster
8. Biggest hen/rooster
9. Most colourful hen/rooster
10. Friendliest hen/rooster
11. Any other breed (open to male and female exhibits- ducks, waterfowl, game etc.)

There will also be a number of championship classes kindly sponsored by Future Fuel Distributors, Richard and Janie Hooper, and Rob and Hazel Bruggemann.

For more information, please contact Carlyn by emailing alldiamonds@gmail.com or visit the Taroom Show website for a schedule with other bits of important information you may need to know.

PHOTO CLASSES

BLACK & WHITE OR SEPIA:

- 1 Portrait/ people
- 2 Animals
- 3 Landscape/ seascape
- 4 Any other subject

COLOUR PRINT:

- 5 Study of adult
- 6 People/ group
- 7 Child/ children study
- 8 Child/ children at play
- 9 Animals
- 10 Sunrise/ sunset
- 11 Landscape
- 12 Seascape
- 13 Changing environment
- 14 Water scene
- 15 Reflections
- 16 Floral study (not gardens)
- 17 Trees
- 18 Any man made structure
- 19 Historical
- 20 Any subject featuring 'green'
- 21 Texture or design in nature
- 22 Spirit of our community
- 23 Any other subject
- 24 Photographic essay (4-6 photos telling a story)
- 25 Enlargement- people
- 26 Enlargement- any other subject
- 27 Native Australian animal/bird taken in a natural habitat (sponsored by the Wildlife Preservation Society of Queensland- Taroom branch)

JUVENILE PHOTOGRAPHY:

Section M- categories includes people/ portrait, animals, scenery and any other subject.

Each class has certain criteria. Please see further details for the photography section in the pavilion schedule online.

