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2026 COMPETITION SCHEDULE

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Apiculture Show Schedule

****Updated 29/04/2026: Schedule could be amended without notice****

Apiculture Committee

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Key Dates & Entry Information

Entries Close | 11.59pm Friday 29 May 2026

Judging | Wednesday 10 June 2026

Entry Fees | \$3 per entry

Honey entries include a jar. Please contact the Apiculture Committee for collection.

There will be a \$1 administration fee.

Exhibit Delivery | Rockhampton Showgrounds Administration Office

8.30am – 4pm Monday 1 June to Friday 5 June 2026

Exhibit Collection | Rockhampton Showgrounds Robert Schwarten Pavilion

9am – 12pm Saturday 13 June 2026

No cash payments for nominations will be accepted.

NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED

Rockhampton Agricultural Show Contact Information

Admin Office Opening Hours | 8.30am - 4pm Monday to Friday from 26 May to 6 June 2026

Name | Rockhampton Agricultural Show, Rockhampton Regional

Council presented by Advance Rockhampton

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Proudly Supported By

The Rockhampton Agricultural Show is deeply grateful to the generous businesses and individuals who help make the Apiculture Competition a buzzing success. Your contributions towards prize money, awards, and the smooth running of the event play a crucial role in celebrating the art and science of beekeeping.

A heartfelt thank you to the [Beekeepers of Capricornia Assoc.Inc](#) for their invaluable support and dedication to promoting apiculture in our region.

The Apiculture Section thrives because of the commitment and generosity of its supporters. If you're passionate about bees and would like to contribute to this sweet event, we'd love to hear from you!

Contact us at show@rrc.qld.gov.au to find out how you can support the Apiculture Competitions at the Rockhampton Agricultural Show.

Regulations

Privacy Statement

Rockhampton Regional Council (RRC) is collecting the personal information you supply for the purpose of Rockhampton Agricultural Show communications. RRC deals with personal information in accordance with law, including the Information Privacy Act 2009. Some of this information may be given to customers, sponsors and event partners and listed on Council's website for the purpose of advertising.

General

1. All honey entered must be in jars provided by the Apiculture Committee.
2. Any entry received soiled, damaged or otherwise unfit for display will not be exhibited.
3. Exhibits will not be accepted without payment of entry fees.
4. Exhibitor cards must be securely attached to all exhibits.
5. Exhibits will not be available for collection prior to Saturday 13 June 2026.
6. The entrant copy of the exhibitor card must be retained and presented during collection for easy identification.
7. No responsibility will be taken for any exhibits left at the Showgrounds more than 24 hours after the end of the Show.
8. All prize money will be paid via cash payment at the Robert Schwarten Pavilion during the exhibit collection 9am – 12pm Saturday 13 June 2026.
 - Alternative collection is available 8.30am – 4pm Monday 15 to Wednesday 17 June 2026 from the Showgrounds Administration Office.
 - Exhibits not collected by Wednesday 17 June 2026 will be disposed of unless alternative collection arrangements have been confirmed with the Competition Steward prior to Monday 8 June 2026.
 - From Thursday 18 June 2026 prize money will be available for collection from Rockhampton Regional Council City Hall Customer Service office (232 Bolsover

St, Rockhampton City QLD 4700) 9am - 4pm Monday to Friday until 29 June 2026.

- Any prize money not collected by 29 June 2026 will be forfeited and allocated to the next year's Show.
 - Prize money will not be handed out without the prize card being presented to the Competition Steward or Rockhampton Regional Council staff.
9. Management and its agents reserve the right to disqualify any entry which in their opinion fails to meet the entry criteria. They also reserve the right to move any entry to its correct class.
10. The Judge's decision is final, and no correspondence will be entered into.
11. All care will be taken, but no responsibility will be accepted for loss or damage to any exhibit by the Committee.

Entry to the Robert Swarten Pavilion before the Show is by authorised personnel only.

Volunteers

The countdown to the Rockhampton Agricultural Show has begun, and Rockhampton Regional Council is once again calling on the community for their invaluable support as volunteers for the Apiculture Committee.

Volunteering at the Show isn't just about lending a hand; it's about becoming part of a passionate team, making new friends, and creating lasting memories. Whether you're a seasoned volunteer or new to the experience, there's a role for everyone in our dedicated teams.

The Apiculture Competition, held in the Robert Swarten Pavilion, highlights the fascinating world of beekeeping and the essential role bees play in our ecosystem. Participants showcase their honey and bee-related products, celebrating the hard work of local beekeepers. This event promotes awareness of sustainable practices and the importance of bees in agriculture.

As a volunteer, you may be asked to assist with the following tasks:

Competition Setup | Help the Apiculture Committee with pavilion setup, accepting and organising entries as they arrive.

Assistant Stewarding | Gain a behind-the-scenes look at the judging process by assisting judges in organising and scoring the entries.

On the Day | Join the committees in the pavilion to engage with like-minded people, discuss the competitions, and share experiences. Be the go-to contact for any questions or queries from the public.

Your support will help make this year's Apiculture Competition a memorable success. We look forward to welcoming you to the team!

As a token of our appreciation for your support, volunteers will enjoy a host of perks, including:

- **FREE Access:** Explore all the excitement of the Show using your exclusive Volunteer pass!

- **FREE Show Volunteer Shirt:** Receive a Show Volunteer shirt to wear with pride and keep as a memento of your contribution.
- **Short Shifts:** Flexible volunteering with short shifts to suit your schedule, allowing you to enjoy the Show while helping out.
- **Resume Boost:** Gain valuable volunteer experience to enhance your resume and showcase your dedication to the community.
- **Training and Networking:** Take advantage of training opportunities and network with fellow volunteers, expanding your skills and connections.

For more information on becoming a volunteer at the Rockhampton Agricultural Show please visit www.rockyshow.com.au/Volunteer

2026 Rockhampton Agriculture Show Apiculture Competitions

Entry Fees: \$3 per entry

Prize Money: 1st \$10, 2nd \$5, 3rd \$3

Class 5401	Light Honey 1 x 375ml Jar
Class 5402	Medium Honey 1 x 375ml Jar
Class 5403	Dark Honey 1 x 375ml Jar
Class 5404	Frame of Capped Honey – any size frame
Class 5405	Pure Wax Block –1kg maximum approx.
Class 5406	Creamed Honey 1 x 375ml Jar

Champion Entry

Prize: \$20 and a Sash

Registrations

Step 1: Register your entry/s online

As a nominee, please ensure you have read through the key information and documents listed on the website before registering for a competition.

Once you are ready to submit an entry, follow the links to Showday Online to register. Fill out your entries as per Showday Online instructions and pay for your entries. Head to www.rockyshow.com.au/Competitions for more information and to enter.

If you cannot pay online, CASH payments can be made at the Rockhampton Regional Council City Hall Customer Service office (232 Bolsover St, Rockhampton City QLD 4700) 9am - 4pm Monday to Friday until 22 May 2026 or at the Rockhampton Showgrounds Administration Office 8.30am - 4pm Monday to Friday from 25 May to 5 June 2026.

Rockhampton Agricultural Show may cancel or postpone the competitions at their discretion. In the event of a cancellation or postponement, where the exhibitor/competitor is unable to complete their nominated competition please note that no refunds will be provided. This includes circumstances where the exhibitor/competitor withdraws from the competition, fails to attend, or is otherwise unable to participate.

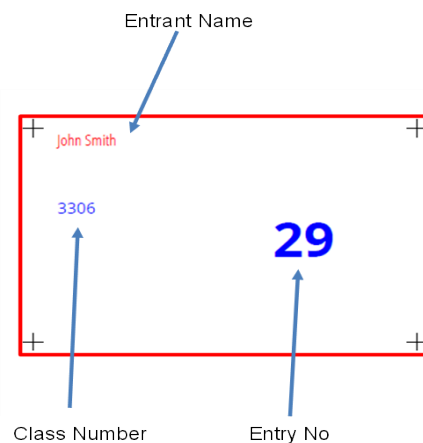
By submitting your entry, you acknowledge and accept that the Rockhampton Agricultural Show does not offer any refunds for nomination fees, or any associated costs, regardless of the reason for non-participation, postponement or cancellation of the competition.

Step 2: Get your exhibit/s ready

Please follow the guidelines in this schedule to ensure your item/s are ready.

Exhibitor cards will be emailed to the email address you supply to Showday Online after you have finalised your application, unless arranged with the Competition Steward. The exhibitor card will look like the below. Please ensure your exhibitor card is securely attached to your exhibit at time of delivery.

1. Attach the exhibitor card to your exhibit and remove your name.
2. Keep the copy that includes your name. This is what you need to bring to collect your exhibit. It is at the discretion of the Competition Steward if the item is returned without ID or the exhibitor card.



Step 3: Deliver your item/s

Please deliver your items to the Rockhampton Showgrounds Administration Office, 8.30am – 4pm Monday 1 June to Friday 5 June 2026.

Park on either Exhibition or New Exhibition Road and walk into the Showgrounds via Gate 1 to the Administration Office.

All exhibits must be delivered to the Showgrounds on the specified delivery date/s. No exhibits delivered outside the specified date/s will be accepted.



Robert Schwarten Pavilion
Pick up location

Step 4: Collect your item/s

Please collect your items from the Rockhampton Showgrounds Robert Schwarten Pavilion, 9am – 12pm Saturday 13 June 2026.

Park on New Exhibition Road and walk into the Robert Schwarten Pavilion via the foyer doors.



Rockhampton Showgrounds
Administration Office
Drop off location

***Strictly no vehicle access within the Showgrounds.**