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2026 COMPETITION SCHEDULE

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Cookery Show Schedule

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

Cookery Committee

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Key Dates & Entry Information

Entries Close | 11.59pm Friday 29 May 2026

Judging | Wednesday 10 June 2026

Entry Fees | General: \$3 per entry, Junior: \$2 per entry, There will be a \$1 administration fee.

Exhibit Delivery | Rockhampton Showgrounds, James Lawrence Pavilion, 2pm – 6pm Tuesday 9 June 2026

Exhibit Collection | Rockhampton Showgrounds, James Lawrence 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

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The Cookery Competition, featuring delectable creations like jams, preserves, and fruit cakes, is currently seeking sponsors and supporters. Your support could help shine a spotlight on this beloved tradition and inspire the next generation of culinary enthusiasts.

If you're passionate about supporting these competitions, we'd love to hear from you! Contact us at show@rrc.qld.gov.au to find out how you can get involved with the Cookery 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. Please note there may be some changes to classes, regulations and procedures from previous years. To ensure that there are no issues with your entries, please read this schedule carefully
2. Exhibits will not be accepted without payment of entry fees.
3. All entries to be bona fide handiwork of the exhibitor.
4. There will be a limit of one (1) entry per class per person.
5. All entries must be on double plastic disposable plates.
6. Bar cakes must be on double oval plastic disposable plates.
7. All jars to contain 250g, do not overfill jars.
8. No packet mixes.
9. If using glad wrap to cover iced cakes, spray a light layer of cooking spray onto the glad wrap before applying to the cake.
10. Exhibitor cards must be securely attached to all exhibits.
11. All exhibits will be put into show cases by the Competition Stewards only, entries to be removed by Competition Stewards only. All exhibits must be able to be carried by one (1) person.
12. Competition Stewards 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.
13. Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the attending judge, who may withhold the award where the standard is not sufficiently high. The judge's decision is final, and correspondence will not be entered into.
14. All care will be taken, but no responsibility will be accepted for any loss or damage to any exhibit by the management or their agents.
15. Exhibits will not be available for collection prior to Saturday 13 June 2026.
16. The entrant copy of the exhibitor card must be retained and presented during collection for easy identification.
17. All prize money will be paid via cash payment at the James Lawrence Pavilion during the exhibit collection 9am – 12pm Saturday 13 June 2026.
 - a. Alternative collection for prize money is available 8.30am – 4pm Monday 15 to Wednesday 17 June 2026 from the Showgrounds Administration Office.
 - b. Exhibits not collected by Saturday 13 June 2026 will be disposed of.
 - c. 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.

- d. Any prize money not collected by 29 June 2026 will be forfeited and allocated to the next year's Show.
- e. Prize money will not be handed out without the prize card being presented to the Competition Steward or Rockhampton Regional Council staff.

Entry to James Lawrence 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 Cookery Competition.

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 crew.

Be treated to a feast for the eyes, with a stunning array of baked goods and dishes on display. While the judging takes place before the event, attendees will have the chance to admire the creativity and craftsmanship of each entry. Don't miss the opportunity to explore the various categories and support the local culinary talent.

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

Competition Setup | Help the Cookery 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 Cookery 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 Cookery Schedule

Preserves

Entry Fee: \$3

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

Jams

Class 3400 Rosella jam – 1 bottle
Class 3401 Strawberry jam - 1 bottle
Class 3402 Any variety of jam - 1 bottle of each different flavoured variety

Marmalades

Class 3403 Any variety of marmalade - 1 bottle of each different flavoured variety

Butters

Class 3404 Lemon butter
Class 3405 Lime butter
Class 3406 Passionfruit butter

Chutneys

Class 3407 Mango chutney
Class 3408 Any variety of chutney - must have name of product on bottle

Relish

Class 3409 Tomato relish
Class 3410 Any variety of relish - must have name of product on bottle

Sauce

Class 3411 Any variety of sauce - must have name of product on bottle

Baking - Persons With Disabilities

Entry Fee: \$3 per entry

Prize Money: 1st \$15, 2nd \$10, 3rd Prize Card

Class 3412 Any type of biscuit
Class 3413 Any type of cake

Baking - Junior

For children aged under 16 at Wednesday 10 June 2026.

Entry Fee: \$2 per entry

Prize Money: 1st 10, 2nd \$5, 3rd Prize Card
*Unless otherwise stated.

Class 3414 1 plate of 6 rum balls
Class 3415 1 plate of 4 plain scones (5cm across, 5cm high)
Class 3416 1 plate of 4 cupcakes (iced on top)
Class 3417 1 plate of 4 pikelets (7cm across)
Class 3418 1 plate of 4 muffins (iced on top)
Class 3419 1 sponge cake (jam in centre only)
***Class 3419 Prize Money: 1st CWA Cookbook (valued at \$40), 2nd \$15, 3rd Prize Card**
Class 3420 1 cake – any variety (baked in a bar tin)

Baking - Open

Entry Fee: \$3 per entry

Prize Money: 1st 15, 2nd \$10, 3rd Prize Card

*Unless otherwise stated.

Class 3421 1 plate of 6 rum balls
Class 3422 1 steamed plum pudding

- Class 3423 1 boiled fruit cake (baked in an 20cm tin, 7cm high)
***Class 3423 Prize Money: 1st \$15 voucher, 2nd \$10, 3rd prize card**
- Class 3424 1 sultana cake (baked in an 20cm tin)
- Class 3425 1 chocolate cake (baked in a bar tin iced on top)
- Class 3426 1 carrot cake (baked in an 20cm tin, thin lemon iced top)
- Class 3427 1 sponge cake (jam in middle only)
***Class 3427 Prize Money: 1st CWA cookbook (valued at \$40), 2nd \$10, 3rd prize card**
- Class 3428 1 plate of 4 muffins (any variety)
- Class 3429 1 ginger cake (baked in an 20cm tin, thin iced top)
***Class 3429 Prize Money: 1st \$15 voucher, 2nd \$10, 3rd prize card**
- Class 3430 1 plate of slice, any variety (4 pieces cut to 8cm x 5cm)
- Class 3431 1 date loaf (baked in bar tin)
- Class 3432 1 cinnamon cake (baked in an 8inch or 20cm tin, cinnamon sugar top)
- Class 3433 1 plate of 4 cupcakes (iced on top)
- Class 3434 1 plate of 4 biscuits, any variety, no icing (scoring will be affected if biscuits have icing)
- Class 3435 1 plate of 4 plain scones (5cm across, 5cm high)
- Class 3436 1 plate of 4 pumpkin scones

- (5cm across, 5cm high)
- Class 3437 1 plate of 4 pikelets (9cm across)
- Class 3438 1 plate of 4 Anzac biscuits (Class 3443 must use CWA recipe found on page 9)
- Class 3439 1 damper (seasoned or plain)
- Class 3440 1 dark rich fruit cake (square 10" tin)
***Class 3440 Prize Money: 1st \$30, 2nd \$20, 3rd prize card**
 (sample recipe can be found on page 10)

Champion Exhibit In Cookery The Florence Kele Memorial Trophy

Awarded to the highest number of points in Cookery.

Prize: Cash or Voucher

Judges Choice Award

Awarded to the best tasting.

Prize: Cash or Voucher

Recipes

CWA Anzac Biscuit (Ingredients For 24 Biscuits)

Ingredients:

- 125gm butter, chopped
- 1 cup plain flour
- ½ tsp bicarb soda
- 1 cup rolled oats
- 1 cup caster sugar
- 2 tbs golden syrup
- 2 tbs boiling water
- ¾ cup desiccated coconut

Method:

1. Combine butter and golden syrup in a pan, stir overheat until butter is melted.
2. Stir in combined soda and water, then remaining ingredients.
3. Mix well.
4. Drop rounded teaspoons of mixture about 4cm apart on greased over trays and flatten slightly.
5. Bake in a slow oven for about 20 minutes or until slightly brown.
6. Cool on tray.

Dark Rich Fruit Cake – Sample CWA Recipe

Own Recipe can be used

Ingredients:

- 250g raisins
- 250g sultanas
- 250g currants
- 60g mixed peel, chopped
- 60g red cherries, chopped
- 1 cup soft brown sugar
- 1 cup butter
- 6 eggs
- 1 ½ cup plain flour
- 1 tsp baking powder
- 60g blanched almonds, chopped (optional)
- ½ tsp mixed spices
- ½ tsp cinnamon
- ½ tsp vanilla
- ½ tsp lemon essence
- ½ tbsp syrup
- ½ tbsp plum jam

- ½ cup rum or brandy
- 1 tsp salt

Method:

1. Mix fruits and nuts, soak in sherry for at least two hours, preferably overnight.
2. Beat butter and sugar to a cream.
3. Add eggs (which have been beaten).
4. Add sifted flour, baking powder, spices, salt, lemon essence, vanilla, syrup and plum jam.
5. Add in the fruit and mix thoroughly.
6. Place mixture in a lined 8” tin.
7. Bake in slow oven (130°C - 140°C) for approx. 5-6 hours or until cooked when tested.
8. Allow cake to cool in tin.

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 into 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.

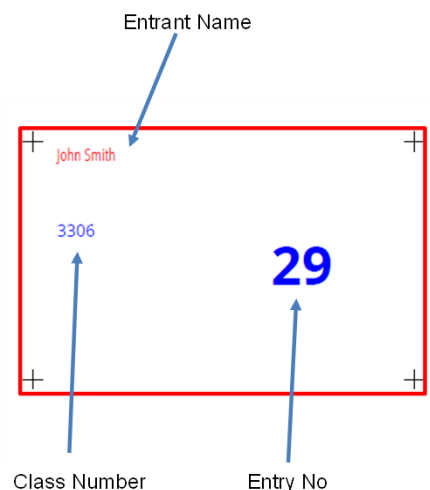
Rockhampton Agricultural Show may cancel or postpone the competitions at their discretion. In the event of a cancellation or postponement, where the exhibitor/competitor is unable to complete their nominated competition please note that no refunds will be provided. This includes circumstances where the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

Make sure to 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 James Lawrence Pavilion, 3pm – 7pm Tuesday 9 June 2026.

Park on New Exhibition Road and enter the James Lawrence Pavilion using the external door.

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.

Step 4: Collect your item/s

Please collect your items from the Rockhampton Showgrounds James Lawrence Pavilion, 8am – 12pm Saturday 13 June 2026.

Park on New Exhibition Road and enter the James Lawrence Pavilion using the external door.



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