



Tuesday 16 June - Thursday 18 June 2026

## HORTICULTURE – SECTION 14



### NOMINATION DETAILS

<b>Steward:</b>	Pioneer River Orchid & Plant Association Email: <a href="mailto:propa@hotmail.com.au">propa@hotmail.com.au</a>
<b>Applications to enter close:</b>	No later than 11am Monday 15th June
<b>Entry Fee:</b>	\$1.00 per entry
<b>Delivery of Exhibits:</b>	<b>Potted Plants &amp; Orchids</b> Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> June between 12 noon and 4pm Pavilion 1, Mackay Showgrounds Or Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> June between 8.00am and 12 noon Pavilion 1, Mackay Showgrounds <b>Cut Flowers, Fruit and Vegetables, Potted Plants, &amp; Orchids</b> Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> June between 8.00am and 12noon Pavilion 1, Mackay Showgrounds
<b>Judging:</b>	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> June at 1pm Pavilion 1, Mackay Showgrounds
<b>Collection of Exhibits:</b>	<b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June 9am to 11am Pavilion 1, Mackay Showground</b> <b>**all unclaimed exhibits will be disposed of**</b>
<b>Mackay Show:</b>	PO Box 1014 Mackay Mail Centre QLD 4741 24 Milton Street, MACKAY QLD 4740 P: 4957 3916 F: 4953 4524 E: <a href="mailto:reception@mackayshow.com.au">reception@mackayshow.com.au</a> W: <a href="http://www.mackayshow.com.au">www.mackayshow.com.au</a>

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## RULES AND REGULATIONS

Infringement of any of the following points may result in disqualification.

1. NO entries/exhibits are to be delivered to the Mackay Show Office prior to the show.
2. There must be a minimum of three (3) exhibits before a second place can be awarded.
3. A Judge may withhold first prize where he/she considers entries not worthy of such award and may award second place only, or as the situation permits.
4. If only one (1) exhibit in a class, this exhibit will be transferred to a Miscellaneous Class.
5. All exhibits in the Roses, Gerberas, Cut Flowers and Orchid sections must be grown by the exhibitor or family, NOT commercially grown.
6. Pot Culture exhibits, including Orchids, must have been in the possession of the exhibitor for at least three (3) months prior to the Show.
7. Pot Culture and Orchids exhibits must be attractively presented in plain, clean, presentable pots or containers suitable for exhibition. Decorative pots are permissible but will not be considered in judging, unless otherwise stated. Plants must be free of oils, etc. and should be well furnished with leaves, fresh and free of insect infestation, disease, or blemishes. Potting media should be one (1) inch from the top of the pot. Plants should be in centre of pot. Inconspicuous corner trimmings of leaves and trimming of dead tips is permitted. Pots must be no more than 300mm (12 inches) in diameter top and bottom and baskets are to be no more than 300mm (12 inches) in diameter. **No water well pots, no heavy clay pots over 20cm or taller than 30cm. No potted plants weighing more than 8kg.**
8. Orchids need to be in a clean stable pot. Double potting allowed with weight for taller orchids.
9. **A number will be assigned to each exhibitor.**
10. NOTE: NO NAME TAGS ADVERTISING THE GROWER IS ALLOWED
11. No rocks or pebbles are allowed in pot cultures to enhance presentation. Also, no wiring or support for Cut Flowers will be permitted until after judging.
12. Plates will be supplied by pavilion for fruit & vegetables unless otherwise stated.
13. **Exhibits are not to be delivered earlier than drop off date as staff are not equipped to take care of living plants.**

## JUDGING CRITERIA

1. Leaf
2. Character
3. Freshness
4. Balance
5. Free of insect infestation and disease
6. Clean Containers
7. All reasonable care will be taken against Damage
8. The Mackay Show will accept no responsibility for any loss or damage to/of exhibits.
9. Any exhibit/s found to be diseased or infected will be disqualified by the Chief Steward.
10. All fruit and vegetables must be grown by the exhibitor.
11. The following guidelines apply to Roses, Gerberas, and Cut Flowers. Foliage, natural to blooms exhibited should not be removed. Containers will be supplied by Stewards.

### JUDGING CRITERIA

1. Perfection of flowers
2. Straightness of stems
3. Freshness
4. Free from insect infestation

### **Collections Class is also judged upon.**

1. Quality (not Quantity)
2. Freshness
3. Variety
4. Collections classes of flowers are not allowed for Champion.

### **12. THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES APPLY TO PRODUCE VEGETABLES, PRODUCE FRUIT AND RARE FRUIT.**

All vegetables will be judged together, organically grown or otherwise. It is the end product that is exhibited and placed on the bench to be judged. Fruit and vegetables are to be clean and fresh with only the number listed in the schedule exhibited. Lettuce is to be exhibited with the root left on, so keep it fresh for four (4) days. The judge will cut vegetables and fruit where necessary. Stem to be left on fruit and vegetables where possible. **One egg will be cracked & disposed of after the first day. Any produce left in the pavilion after 11am Friday will be disposed.**

## **PRIZEMONEY**

**1st - \$6.00, 2nd - \$4.00**

(Unless otherwise stated)

## **ROSES**

Roses not grown under cover

(See Rules 4 and 12)

**Bottles supplied.**

### **Classes**

- 14001.** Rose Hybrid Tea any colour
- 14002.** Rose Miniatures
- 14003.** Container of Roses
- 14004.** Rose Floribunda (Cluster Rose)
- 14005.** Rose – Old English – any colour
- 14006.** Rose Bud any colour

**CHAMPION ROSE**  
**\$25 Sponsored by: MnS Orchids**  
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## **GERBERAS**

GERBERAS not grown under cover

(See Rules 4 and 12)

### **Classes**

- 14007.** Single only (any Colour)
- 14008.** Double 15cm & Over (any Colour)
- 14009.** Double 14cm & Under (any colour)
- 14010.** Any other variety (any Colour)

**GERBERA BLOOM OF SHOW**  
**\$30 Voucher Sponsored by:**  
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## **CUT FLOWERS**

Cut Flowers not grown under cover

(See Rules 4 and 12) **Bottles/containers supplied.**

### **Classes**

- 14011.** Geranium 1 Head (double or single) 3 stems
- 14012.** Dahlias
- 14013.** Gladioli
- 14014.** Ginger- Zingiberaceae
- 14015.** Heliconia
- 14016.** One Saucer of 6 Pansies (supply own saucer)
- 14017.** Marigold 3 Stems
- 14018.** Collection of any 3 native shrub flowers
- 14019.** Single Native Shrub flower
- 14020.** One Cut Orchid - any variety
- 14021.** One Crucifix Orchid Any variety- one head
- 14022.** Container of mixed flowers (no extra greenery)
- 14023.** Miscellaneous -any other flower not listed – 1 stem

**CHAMPION CUT FLOWERS**  
**\$20 Voucher Sponsored by Starcut Flowers**  
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## **POT CULTURE**

*(See Rules 5 and 6) 14044 to 14045- decorative pots encouraged and considered in judging.*

### **Classes**

- 14024.** Alocasia
- 14025.** Aglaonema
- 14026.** Begonia – Rex Variety
- 14027.** Begonia – other
- 14028.** Caladium
- 14029.** Peperomia
- 14030.** Saintpaulia (African Violet) Single or Double
- 14031.** Adiantum Fine- under 5mm
- 14032.** Adiantum Large- over 5mm
- 14033.** Tassel Fern
- 14034.** Any Other Fern (not mentioned in schedule)
- 14035.** Anthurium – foliage feature
- 14036.** Anthurium grown for flower
- 14037.** Philodendron
- 14038.** Foliage Plant -any other
- 14039.** Flowering Plant – any other
- 14040.** Potted Colour (Annuals- eg petunias, pentas marigolds.)
- 14041.** Zygocatus (Schlumbergera)in Flower
- 14042.** Cactus
- 14043.** Succulent
- 14044.** Succulent only Garden, must be established (No Cactus) No larger than 250mm 5 or more plants minor embellishment.
- 14045.** Cactus only Garden, must be established (No Succulents) No larger than 250mm 5 or more plants minor embellishment.
- 14046.** Potted Bromeliad - Neoregelia (must be grown in pot or on hanging container)
- 14047.** Bromeliad - Vriesea
- 14048.** Bromeliad - any other
- 14049.** Tillandsia (must be grown in pot or hanging)

**CHAMPION POT PLANT**  
**\$20 Voucher Sponsored by:**  
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**CHAMPION FERN-14031 to 14034**  
**\$20 Voucher Sponsored by:**  
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## **ORCHIDS**

(See Rules 5 and 6)

### **Classes**

- 14050. Cattleya Alliance over 100 mm
- 14051. Cattleya Alliance under 100 mm
- 14052. Vandaceous Alliance over 60mm
- 14053. Vandaceous Alliance under 60mm
- 14054. Dendrobium Hybrid any variety
- 14055. Oncidium Alliance
- 14056. Phalaenopsis standard size including big lips
- 14057. Phalaenopsis novelty small
- 14058. Paphiopedilum (Slipper Orchid)
- 14059. Exotic Species
- 14060. Miscellaneous

**PLEASE NOTE** – If classes 14050 to 14060 have less than 3 entries, only 1<sup>st</sup> prize to be given. All Orchids are to be displayed in flower.

### **CHAMPION ORCHID OF SHOW**

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## **PRODUCE VEGETABLES**

(See Rules 12)

### **Classes**

- 14061. Beans (12) – any variety
- 14062. Beetroot (3)
- 14063. Carrots (3)
- 14064. Radish (3)
- 14065. Capsicum (2)
- 14066. Chilli (3)
- 14067. Cucumber (1)
- 14068. Lettuce (1) – Any variety with roots
  
- 14069. Zucchini (3)- Any variety
- 14070. Spring Onion and Eschalots (1 bunch)
- 14071. Silverbeet (6 stalks)
- 14072. Large Tomato (3)
- 14073. Small Tomato (6) (Cherry, Grape etc.)
- 14074. Pumpkin (1) any variety
- 14075. Sweet Potato (1)
- 14076. Egg Plant (3) any variety & colour
- 14077. Miscellaneous
- 14078. Basket of mixed Vegetables – 5 varieties
- 14079. Herbs - Parsley (6) stems in jar of water
- 14080. Herbs - Collection of herbs in arrangement (with list attached) at least 4 different.

**Eggs-** The Judge will crack one egg per entry, this egg will be discarded after day one. Display eggs in an egg carton only. Egg quality is judged by both exterior and interior qualities, including shell cleanliness, soundness, and shape; and for interior quality, the firmness of the albumen (egg white) and the shape and firmness of the yolk.

- 14081. Eggs – Medium to Large any colour 50grams and over (6)
- 14082. Eggs – Medium any colour- 49grams to 34grams (6)
- 14083. Eggs- Bantam- under 35grams (6)
- 14084. Eggs- mixed colour any size (6)

### **CHAMPION EGGS**

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### **CHAMPION VEGETABLE**

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## **PRODUCE FRUIT**

(See Rules 12) Leave a stem on citrus

### **Classes**

- 14085. Avocado (2)
- 14086. Grapefruit (2)
- 14087. Lemon (3)
- 14088. Mandarin (3)
- 14089. Orange (3)
- 14090. Pomelo (1)
- 14091. Lime (3)
- 14092. Lemonade (3)
- 14093. Passionfruit (3)
- 14094. Banana (1 Hand)
- 14095. Paw Paw (1)
- 14096. Custard Apple (2)
- 14097. Pineapple (1)
- 14098. Rosella (6)
- 14099. Miscellaneous
- 14100. Basket of Mixed Fruit – No less than 5 Varieties

### **CHAMPION FRUIT**

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**RARE FRUIT**

(See Rules 12)

**Classes**

- 14101. Jack Fruit (1)
- 14102. Carambola (five cornered fruit) (3)
- 14103. Black Sapote (1)
- 14104. Tamarillo (3)
- 14105. Jaboticaba (5)
- 14106. Any Berry or Cherry Type Fruit (5)
- 14107. Granadilla (1)
- 14108. Dragon fruit (white or red)
- 14109. Any Native Lime (3)
- 14110. Any other Variety
- 14111. Collection of rare fruit (no less than 4) in basket

**CHAMPION RARE FRUIT**

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**LARGEST FRUIT OR VEGETABLE OF SHOW**

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**GRAND CHAMPION EXHIBIT**

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