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THE RAS BACKS A WINNER

Catherine Gulliver selected to represent Australia in the 2007 International Meat Judging Competition

Sponsored by **The Royal Agricultural Society of NSW (RAS)**, Catherine Gulliver was recently selected from a large pool of Meat Judging specialists to represent Australia at the **National Western Intercollegiate Meat Judging Competition** to be held 14 January 2007 in **Colorado, America**.

A Quirindi local, Catherine Gulliver is one of five judges in the Australian team to display their wares to the Americans, and hopefully bring home the bacon.

Catherine was selected after winning the **Champion Individual Beef Carcase Judging** at the recent Intercollegiate Meat Judging Competition held in Armidale, New South Wales. Catherine's team also won **Champion Team, Beef Carcase Judging** as well as Runner up Team for: Retail cut and Primal Identification, Questions and Reasons, Placings, Pork Judging and Lamb Judging.

Three girls were sponsored to attend further training in Brisbane in September to refine their skills and be in the running for the Australian team. Catherine's skills and knowledge were a stand-out in Brisbane.

The RAS has a close association with providing education and resources to rural youth. In this case, the RAS provided funding for training the team members, supplied uniforms and attire.

"The RAS is proud to support the initiative and knowledge of rural Australians," said **Roger Perkins, Chief Executive**. "We congratulate Catherine on her success and wish her all the best in Colorado."

The 2006 Sydney Royal Showgirl Runner Up, Jen Clulow coached the team.

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