SYDNEY ROYAL COMPETITIONS

The Sydney Royal Wine, Dairy & Fine Food Shows set the standard in Australian wine and food judging. Held throughout the year, the judging areas comprise of:

WINE	**BEER & CIDER**	**CHEESE & DAIRY PRODUCE**	**REGIONAL FOODS**
AQUACULTURE	**BRANDED BEEF**	**BRANDED LAMB**	**COFFEE**
DELI MEAT	**OLIVE OIL**	**PASTA**	**PROFESSIONAL BAKERY**
CHOCOLATE			

The Sydney Royal Wine, Dairy & Fine Food Shows offers producers a platform from which to benchmark their products within their industry as well providing extensive exposure to both the consumer market and trade professionals.

Only the most exceptional quality is recognised in by the Sydney Royal Competitions. Trophy and Champion Award winners represent a superior standard of excellence in their field. Gold, Silver and Bronze Medal winners are presented with a certificate, Medal Artwork and supplied with the Medal Marketing Kit to assist in promoting their products as Sydney Royal winners.

The Sydney Royal Wine, Dairy & Fine Food Shows are continuously seeking to engage further with industry, develop relationships, and recruit new Judges and Stewards to join the team of highly skilled and expert Officials. We invite those interested to read the pages following overleaf and complete forms to be considered for a position by the Chief Judge of the Competition specified in the application. After review, Applicants will be contacted and invited to take part as positions become available.

Judges, Stewards and Royal Agricultural Society (RAS) Councillors alike are all voluntary positions. The RAS appreciates the expertise and contribution of all Officials and Councillors. If you have any questions regarding this document, please send your enquiry via email to sydneyroyal@rasnsw.com.au

STEWARDING AT SYDNEY ROYAL – THE BENEFITS

- Opportunity to be involved in high profile and prestigious Sydney Royal Competitions, renowned all across Australia.
- Engage with industry members, build relationships and networking opportunities.
- Keep abreast with the industry, changes in trends and identify up and coming producers.
- Enjoy a hands-on experience and develop an understanding of the judging process. We encourage Judges and Stewards to work together and where the opportunity arises, we ask Judges to expose Stewards to sample Exhibits so to learn what attributes and defects the Judges are looking for in their assessment of product..
- Opportunity to work towards joining the Wine, Dairy, Fine Food team of Judges.

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ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES – STEWARD

- A Steward assists the Judges in effectively performing their role and facilitates the Judging ensuring it runs smoothly and efficiently.
- Stewards are supervised by the Chief Steward with duties including:
    - Room preparation & set up of Competition specific requirements
    - Allocation of Competition Classes and the Judging sequence
    - Presentation of Exhibits ready for Judging
    - Replenishment of palate cleansers
    - Storage and management of Exhibits post Judging
    - Clearing and cleaning of Judging tables and back of house areas
- Stewards must maintain **a high level of ethical and professional** conduct at all times.
- Stewards should at all times endeavour to keep their **actions and reactions** to an exhibit as **neutral** as possible so as not to influence Officials. Stewards must not discuss Exhibits with Judges.
- Sydney Royal Competitions receive a large number of entries, with some Competitions running over multiple consecutive days. Stewards must be able to commit to attend a full day/s of judging, commencing at **7:30am daily** and finishing at approximately 5pm.

THE JUDGING PROCESS

All Exhibits are judged without commercial labelling. There are three stages in the judging process:

Stage 1 – Tutorial

The Chair of Judges/Chief Steward will present a Stewards' Briefing and Tutorial Session on the morning of judging, to ensure Stewards are familiar with the judging process, Class allocation, presentation of Exhibits and the scoring method. Each Competition has different judging attributes and points awarded which must be adhered to throughout the Judging process.

Stage 2 – Judging and gathering of Judges scoring data

Stage 3 – Championship Judging

This stage requires the panel of Judges to formally sign off the initial Judges' report and therefore highlighting those Gold Medal winning exhibits that will be included in the Championship Judging process.

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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM

Completed Expression of Interest forms should be emailed to sydneyroyal@rasnsw.com.au or mailed to:

Sydney Royal Wine, Dairy & Fine Food Assistant, Locked Bag 4317, Sydney Olympic Park NSW 2127

COMPETITION/S

Please indicate the Sydney Royal Competition/s you are interested in by marking a 'X' next to the competition:

	Aquaculture		Branded Beef
	Branded Lamb		Coffee
	Deli Meat		Olive Oil
	Pasta		Professional Bakery
	Regional Food		Wine
	Beer & Cider		Cheese & Dairy Produce
	Chocolate		

PERSONAL INFORMATION

First Name: _____Last Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____   Post Code: _____

Telephone: _____ Mobile Number: _____

Email: _____

PROFESSIONAL INFORMATION

Current (or most recent) position held: _____

Organisation: _____

Years in the Position/Organisation: _____

Please provide a brief explanation of your roles and responsibilities:

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PREVIOUS STEWARDING/JUDGING EXPERIENCE

Provide a brief outline of previous Stewarding/Judging experience (if any):

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CAREER, BACKGROUND & INTERESTS

Provide a brief outline of your career, background and interests, relative to Stewarding:

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AWARENESS OF SYDNEY ROYAL COMPETITIONS

Please let us know how you found out about our Competitions

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REFERENCES

Reference 1

Name: _____

Position: _____ Company:_____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Reference 2

Name: _____

Position: _____ Company:_____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

DECLARATION

I declare that the information given on this form is true to the best of my knowledge and belief

Signature of Applicant: _____Date: _____

PLEASE INCLUDE A CURRENT CURRICULUM VITAE

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