



Royal Agricultural Society of NSW

Schedule

RAS OF NSW
PRESIDENT'S
MEDAL

Australia's Premier
Food & Beverage
Award

16th Annual
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Shottesbrooke, McLaren Flat SA – Winner 15th Annual President's Medal



Royal Agricultural Society of NSW

Welcome from the President



Congratulations on your Sydney Royal Champion win and subsequent nomination to compete for the 16th Annual President's Medal.

Since our formation in 1822, the Royal Agricultural Society of NSW has seen value in benchmarking and celebrating excellence in agriculture through our Sydney Royal competitions, including wine and beer, which were judged as early as 1826. From here, produce such as cheese, cider and preserves featured in various competitions throughout the decades. However, it was in 1998 that our modern-day and highly recognised Fine Food competitions were launched, beginning with olive oil and coffee, pasta and then aquaculture.

Since then, we have uncovered incredible food and drink offerings for consumers across Australia and provided recognition through our Sydney Royal medals to help continue to drive industry standards. Every year our competitions have grown and evolved to follow trends and consumer demand, adapting to Australia's ever-growing love for local and high-quality produce. Your decision to enter our competitions and your preparedness to be judged and receive feedback demonstrates notable passion and commitment to your pursuit of excellence.

Launched in 2006 to promote and ultimately reward the finest produce in Australia, the President's Medal is the highest honour awarded following our Sydney Royal competitions. Only products of outstanding excellence are eligible for consideration for this unique award, one that takes a whole-of-company approach and one that judges food, dairy producers, brewers and winemakers against each other. As a Sydney Royal Champion, your product has already been assessed on its quality, appearance and taste. You have stood against other producers in your field and come out the best of the best.

Taking this competition to the next level, the President's Medal goes beyond product taste as our expert judges assess your business model, community engagement strategy and sustainability. Our panel of judges will carry out an on-site review and get to know you and your business. It is an intensive and invasive process but necessary before the awarding of such a prestigious award.

The integrity of each competition rests on our judges, their professionalism, knowledge, and high ethical standards ensure the entire judging process is beyond reproach. Their dedication to the Australian food and beverage industries is to be commended. Under their careful gaze, we will continue to encourage and reward excellence and, in turn, provide incentives to excel for all in the Australian food, dairy, beer and wine industries. I hope that your experience as an outstanding Sydney Royal Champion is richly rewarding, and I encourage you to continue on this President's Medal journey.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M J M...'.

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

It is with great pleasure and a sense of pride that I take this opportunity to introduce the 16th Annual Sydney Royal President's Medal to you. The President's Medal is the pinnacle of food awards in the Australian Food and Beverage industry and one that is seen by the finalists as the pinnacle of the Australian Food industry Awards. As has been the case in previous years, the food and agribusiness sector has really exceeded expectations yet again, what a resilient sector we have here in Australia, not even the significant weather events couldn't even dampen the enthusiasm and professionalism of our industry.

As with previous years, the President's Medal entrants are drawn from over 4000 entries in the Sydney Royal Wine, Dairy, Beer & Cider and Fine Food Shows and are deemed to be the superior products in these competitions. The award recipients are nominated by the esteemed judging panels that clearly demonstrate a superior product experience for the consumer. The President's Medal Judging Panel then delves into not only the product attributes but also looks at the products financial, social and environmental integrity through the entire production cycle from gate to plate therefore promoting excellence in agriculture that exceeds industry norms.

Whilst the judging panel have the unenviable task of traversing the land, having face to face interviews with the finalists, they are always cognisant of the commercial impact this award does have on a winner of the award and the importance our finalists place on this series of meetings and face to face interviews.

All the entrants are provided with critical feedback from the judging panel that enables them to take the next steps necessary to achieve excellence amongst their peers, this detailed feedback essential and unique to our awards process and a cornerstone of the NSW RAS Presidents Medal Awards process, so win lose or draw, the professional feedback they receive is critical for them to further develop their brands, products and profitability of their company.

I would like to congratulate those that have been nominated for this, the 16th Annual President's Medal and personally thank you all for your innovation, commitment, passion and drive for excellence in Agriculture and Food and Beverage Production and also our esteemed judging panel that always "*come up with the goods*" and make the very hard decisions and assessments necessary to keep the RAS Presidents Medal the finest and most highly sought after award of its type in Australia.

I look forward to meeting you all in person this year. As a Nominee, you should be suitably proud of your achievements to date getting this far, and you are now set apart from your peers and have become a member of a very prestigious club as Sydney Royal President's Medal Finalists.

Lachlan Bowtell GAICD
Chair, President's Medal



WHAT IS THE PRESIDENT'S MEDAL?

Since 2006, the Royal Agricultural Society of NSW has presented Australia's premier food and beverage award - The President's Medal. It is unique in that the Medal is not awarded solely on taste; the Medal recognises an Exhibitor's overall financial, social/community, environmental integrity, an innovation through the entire production cycle from gate to plate.

Drawing from Sydney Royal Champions selected throughout the year, the President's Medal examines and celebrates truly inspirational, innovative agricultural food and beverage achievers.

WHY ENTER?

The winner will receive prizes including:

- \$10,000 in prize money.
- An opportunity to activate a pop-up stand/ stall (size tbc) within the coveted Woolworths Fresh Food Dome during the Easter Show (SRES dates: 22 March - 2 April 2024).
- A heritage President's Medal medallion.
- Award artwork for promotional use.
- Invaluable exposure to influential consumers, media and trade through year-round promotion.
- A rigorous score-based evaluation of business sustainability allowing comparison against industry benchmarks.

All Finalists will have their Exhibit featured in the customised menu at the Awards presentation and receive a Finalist Trophy.

Testimonials from President's Medal Alumni



Thank you to the Royal Agricultural Society of NSW for its involvement and support. We have loved the process and the team and I loved having you on site and of course we have loved winning. The accolades, the amount of media, the hits on our website and the whole thing speaks volumes of the success of the President's Medal and the cut through it has across all industries. We can't wait to be ambassadors for the President's Medal.

Hamish Maguire, Shottesbrooke – 15th Annual President's Medal Winner



We couldn't believe our ears when they announced Gumnut Patisserie as the winner of the 14th RAS of NSW President's Medal. To say we were honoured would be an understatement. The businesses we were up against were all awesome and we were pretty stunned that we had been named in the top six, but then to hear our little Patisserie in the Southern Highlands to be named as the winner was amazing. The reason we started the Gumnut Patisserie in the first place is so we as a couple could work together. Fast forward 26 years we have a team of 60+ including our four children, that we like to call our Gumnut Family. This is a whole team achievement, and we would also like to take this opportunity to thank our Gumnut Family, past and present. This prestigious award was such an honour to win, the Gumnut Patisserie will now forever be known as a President's medal winner.

Tracy & Vicki Nickl, The Gumnut Patisserie – 14th Annual President's Medal Winner



Winning such a prestigious award has been an enormous honour. We are proud to be part of a growing enthusiasm for Australian Agribusiness, especially innovative food production from paddock to plate and the President Medal win is acknowledgement of the enormous work and effort by our Meredith Dairy team. Meeting the growing demand for specialty dairy products has been challenging so it is really fantastic to be recognised for meeting those challenges.

Julie and Sandy Cameron, Meredith Dairy – 13th Annual President's Medal Winner



We are thrilled to have been recognised as the first professional bakery and finalist to win both the RAS of NSW President's Medal and the NSW Department of Primary Industries Innovation Award. Winning these Awards motivates us to continue with our pursuit of crafting products of high quality and integrity. This is not an individual Award but a collective recognition of the hard work and support from all our staff, farmers and industry partners who have been involved on this journey to celebrate the source. Because of their support, today we can now put a loaf of bread on the table and tell you what paddock it is from and that is extremely important!

Michael Klausen, Brasserie Bread – 12th Annual President's Medal Winner



"We are really humbled and honoured to win this prestigious award", said co-founder of Cobram Estate Rob McGavin.

What we are especially proud of is that the quality of what we are able to produce at Cobram Estate is readily available to everyone in Australia at an affordable price.

Rob McGavin, Cobram Estate - 11th Annual President's Medal Winner

KEY INFORMATION

OBJECTIVES OF THE PRESIDENT'S MEDAL	<p>(i) To undertake an annual and nationally focussed competition that rewards and promotes the highest levels of agricultural excellence, as reflected in the environmental, social, financial, and innovation credentials of Australian food and beverage producers.</p> <p>(ii) To promote the high quality of President's Medal Nominee and Finalist Exhibits to consumers.</p> <p>(iii) To promote the adoption and awareness of sustainable agricultural and food and beverage production practices and the achievements of President's Medal Finalists to industry and the broader community.</p>
ELIGIBILITY OF EXHIBITS	<p>Exhibits nominated for the 16th Annual President's Medal will be drawn from the pool of Champions/Trophy Winners from the 2022 Wine, Cheese & Dairy Produce, Fine Food and Beer & Cider Shows.</p> <p>Nominees will be restricted to Champion/Trophy winning Exhibits that are deemed to have been produced predominantly from Australian inputs. Discretion rests with the President's Medal Judges as to whether Exhibits meet this requirement.</p> <p>The pool of Nominees, a maximum of six (6) will be selected by the President's Medal Judges to become President's Medal Finalists. The winner from the previous year's President's Medal will be ineligible for selection as a Nominee for the subsequent year. Other Finalist Exhibits from the previous year will, however, be eligible to be entered in the subsequent year.</p> <p>Nominees will be selected in the following manner:</p> <p>(a) The Chairs of Judges from the Wine, Cheese & Dairy Produce, Fine Food and Beer & Cider Shows will objectively identify the most meritorious Champion/ Trophy Exhibits based on their sensory achievements. The number of Nominees from each Competition will be based on the volume of entries in that Competition.</p> <p>(b) The President's Medal Judges will then request Exhibitors whose Exhibits achieve Nominee status to complete a short questionnaire and an interview relating to their understanding of the financial, social and environmental credentials of their Exhibit. This information will be used by the President's Medal Judges to determine those Exhibits deemed to be of a sufficient standard to qualify as President's Medal Finalists and so proceed to the next stages of the Competition.</p>
INVITATION TO ENTER THE COMPETITION AND STAGES OF JUDGING	<p>Following the release of the results of the 2022 Competitions in September, Exhibitors of nominee Exhibits will be contacted by the Royal Agricultural Society of NSW (RAS) by email inviting them to participate in the President's Medal Competition. To participate, the Exhibitor must complete an online questionnaire within a four (4) week period designed to reveal information regarding the Nominee Exhibit's environmental, social and financial sustainability credentials (as reference on page 10 of the Schedule). This will be followed up by an interview (conducted by phone or video call) with the Exhibitor of the Nominee Exhibit and the President's Medal Judges.</p> <p>After this stage, the President's Medal Judges will deliberate and identify up to six (6) Finalists that sufficiently meet the required criteria to proceed to the next stage of the Competition. This next stage includes a site tour of each of the Finalist's businesses, including but not limited to their manufacturing location and the source of key raw materials. Finalists may be asked to provide documentation that supports their sustainability credentials.</p>
INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE	<p>This Competition is an invitation only event. Entry Fees are not applicable for participation in the Competition.</p> <p>Exhibitors of Nominee Exhibits that reach the finalist stage will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be asked to submit a selection of Exhibit images and branding logos for use across the RAS social media platforms and marketing collateral to promote the Finalist Exhibits and the President's Medal; • To supply and sell a quantity of the Champion/ Trophy winning Exhibit for a media event at a mutually agreed price and it is appreciated if an agreement of 50% of wholesale price can be reached; and • To supply and sell a quantity of the Champion/ Trophy winning Exhibit to be featured at the Award presentation at a mutually agreed price and it is appreciated if an agreement of 50% of wholesale price can be reached.

JUDGING DATES	<p>February - April - Judging will take place throughout the calendar year following the release of results at the conclusion of all Wine, Cheese & Dairy Produce, Fine Food and Beer & Cider Shows.</p> <p>13 December 2022 – 17 January 2023 - Exhibitors of Nominee Exhibits will have four (4) weeks to complete the questionnaire which will be assessed by the President's Medal Judges in the week following submission. These questions may also be answered by audio or visual recording and the files emailed to presidentsmedal@rasnsw.com.au.</p> <p>7 & 8 February 2023 - A video conference interview will be arranged between the Judges and the Exhibitor of the Nominee Exhibit upon the submission of the completed questionnaire.</p> <p>February - After the questionnaire and interview stage of the Competition, the President's Medal Judges will deliberate and determine up to six (6) Finalists that sufficiently meet the required triple bottom line credentials.</p> <p>13 March – 23 March 2023 - On-site judging of the management and production processes that underpin each Finalist Exhibit will take place at the location of the Exhibitor and/or Producers of the Finalist Exhibit on a day agreed upon by the Exhibitor, the Judges and the RAS. This judging takes place over the course of a day.</p>
AWARD NIGHT	<p>Wednesday 12 April 2023</p> <p>The Award Presentation will take place within the Sydney Royal Easter Show and will feature a menu highlighting each Finalist Exhibit.</p> <p>For more information on the event, please see https://www.rasnsw.com.au/sydney-royal-competitions/competitions/presidents-medal/</p> <p>An invitation will be extended to all Exhibitors of Finalist Exhibits to attend this event, with the RAS offering two (2) complimentary tickets to each Exhibitor. Additional tickets must be purchased.</p>
PUBLICATION OF RESULTS	<p>Finalist Exhibits of the President's Medal Competition will be announced by the beginning of 2023</p> <p>The overall winner of the Competition will be announced at the Award presentation on Wednesday 12 April 2023. The results will be published online following the announcement.</p>
SOCIAL MEDIA	<p>Follow the RAS on social media to stay up to date throughout the year.</p> <p>Facebook: @RASofNSW</p> <p>Twitter: @ras_nsw #presmedal</p> <p>Instagram: @ras_nsw</p>
CONTACT	<p>Manager - Wine, Dairy & Fine Food Royal Agricultural Society of NSW Locked Bag 4317, Sydney Olympic Park NSW 2127 Telephone (02) 9704 1218 presidentsmedal@rasnsw.com.au</p>

16TH ANNUAL PRESIDENT'S MEDAL JUDGING PANEL

The President's Medal Judges come from a range of industry sectors and are selected based on their knowledge and expertise in sustainable food and beverage production. The President's Medal Judges have the final authority to arbitrate the awarding of points and selection of Finalists.

The President's Medal Judges for the 16th Annual President's Medal are as follows:

Michael Bullen - Judge



Michael Bullen has extensive experience in the agriculture, water and sustainability space across Government and the private sector.

His most recent role was to drive the development of new business and jobs and the establishment of an AgriBusiness Precinct for Western Sydney around the new airport. The intent for the AgriBusiness Precinct is to establish a food production, processing and supply chain that can deliver fresh produce, pharma and food globally within 24 hours.

Prior to this role Michael was Deputy Director General Investment and Business Development in the NSW Department of Primary Industries (DPI), and prior to this, led DPI Agriculture, including as Chief Executive of the Rural Assistance Authority. Michael was responsible for developing DPI's new framework for Research and Development, new business structures and funding as well as the establishment of the GATE (Global Ag-Tech Ecosystem - www.thegate.org.au) at Orange NSW.

Before joining DPI Michael was Chief Executive of the Sydney Catchment Authority (now part of WaterNSW) and prior to this worked for Forests NSW across both plantation and native forest management.

Michael chaired the Primary Industries National Research and Innovation Committee while with DPI, which is charged with overseeing strategy and investment under the Primary Industries Research and Development Framework.

Ed Halmagyi - Judge



For nearly twenty years 'Fast Ed' Halmagyi has been one of Australia's best-loved chefs, sharing his simple and time-conscious approach to food with audiences through TV, print, radio and digital media. He even produces his own magazine, Roughcut, for the thinking cook.

Best-known as the cooking presenter on Better Homes and Gardens, he uses his decades of experience in some of the world's best kitchens to transform elegant cuisine into recipes that anyone can prepare at home. Ed's motto is simple, "when you do less, the ingredients can do more!" But it is in Ed's passion for bakery that you will find his key philosophy of food: "cookery is a process of transformation where simple yet perfect flavours become unforgettable meals". For Ed, it is all about "great food, made easy"!

When he's not in the kitchen or travelling the world in search of flavours, Ed is an award-winning commercial photographer and undertakes significant charity work.

Please note: Judging panel is subject to change without notice.

PRESIDENT'S MEDAL ALUMNI

The President's Medal has been presented since 2006. The Alumni of the Award since its conception are:

15 th Annual	Shottesbrooke	2020 Shottesbrooke Single Vineyard Series 'Adelaide Hills' Chardonnay	SA	www.shottesbrooke.com.au
14 th Annual	Gumnut Patisserie	Rhubarb & Strawberry Tart and Chocolate and Raspberry Bavrois	NSW	www.gumnutpatisserie.com.au
13 th Annual	Meredith Dairy	Marinated Feta Sheep Goat Blend	NSW	www.meredithdairy.com
12 th Annual	Brasserie Bread	Finders Range Sprouted Wheat Loaf	NSW	www.brasseriebread.com.au
11 th Annual	Cobram Estate	2016 Ultra Premium Hojiblanca	VIC	www.cobramestate.com.au
10 th Annual	Pacific Reef Fisheries	Sashimi Grade Cobia	QLD	www.pacificreef.com.au
9 th Annual	Bulla Dairy Foods	35% Thick Cup Cream	VIC	www.bulla.com.au
8 th Annual	Tahbilk Winery	2008 Marsanne	VIC	www.tahbilk.com.au
7 th Annual	Milly Hill Lamb	Lamb - Grass Fed 20-23kg	NSW	www.millyhill.com.au
6 th Annual	Yalumba	FSW8B Botrytis Viognier (2009)	SA	www.yalumba.com
5 th Annual	Holy Goat Cheese	La Luna Goat Cheese	VIC	www.holygoatcheese.com
4 th Annual	Paringa Estate	Shiraz 2006	VIC	www.paringaestate.com.au
3 rd Annual	Country Valley	Lush Traditional Handmade Natural Yoghurt	NSW	www.countryvalley.com.au
2 nd Annual	Hardys	Eileen Hardy Chardonnay 2004	SA	www.hardyswines.com
2006	Tathra Oysters	Sydney Rock Oysters	NSW	www.tathraoysters.com.au



SPECIAL PRESIDENT'S MEDAL REGULATIONS

RAS' General Regulations apply to all Sections of the Competition. These Special President's Medal Regulations apply to this Section only. Unless expressly stated in the General Regulations, if there is any inconsistency between the General Regulations and these Special President's Medal Regulations, the Special President's Medal Regulations prevail.

Copies of all Regulations are available from the Administration Office at Sydney Showground. RAS General Regulations are available at www.rasnsw.com.au/presidents_medal.htm

1. ELIGIBILITY OF EXHIBITS

Exhibits entered must first comply with the eligibility criteria stated in the Special Regulations of the relevant Wine, Cheese & Dairy Produce, Fine Food and Beer & Cider Show Schedules.

At the time of entry, each Exhibit entered by an Exhibitor must be the absolute property of an Exhibitor and must be available commercially in Australia or ready for export. Exhibits entered must have the same composition as those that are commercially available. The RAS may request details of the commercial availability of the Exhibit. Exhibits which do not meet the set criteria will not be judged.

Exhibitors are required to conform to the respective Acts of the Commonwealth and the State in which they are produced which relate to their production and to the Regulations made thereunder.

2. DEFINITION OF EXHIBITOR

An Exhibitor means a person, firm, partnership, company, or body corporate, which in the opinion of the RAS:

- (a) manufactures or processes; or
- (b) Has product manufactured, packaged or processed under contract for the purpose of sale under the registered business name of the Exhibitor as stated on the original Competition Application for Entry.
- (c) At the time of the judging, the RAS may request details of the commercial availability of the Exhibit and may conduct an audit to compare Exhibit sample with those commercially available.

3. DEFINITION OF PRODUCER

A Producer means the registered premises that manufacture the Exhibit entered in the Competition.

4. DEFINITION OF NOMINEE

A President's Medal Nominee is an Exhibit that has been awarded a Championship/Trophy from one of the 2022 Sydney Royal Wine, Cheese & Dairy, Fine Food or Beer & Cider Shows, and subsequently selected as a nominee by a small group made up of the relevant Chair of Judges and Panel Chairs. The Winner of the President's Medal Competition from the previous year is ineligible for re-nomination in the subsequent year's Competition only.

5. DEFINITION OF FINALIST

A President's Medal Finalist is a Nominee Exhibit assessed by the President's Medal Judges to be of sufficient standard (based on an initial assessment of the Exhibit's environmental, social and financial credentials through the questionnaire and interview), to progress to the on-site judging stage.

6. QUALIFYING SHOWS FOR PARTICIPATION

The Sydney Royal Shows that qualify for the President's Medal Competition are the Wine, Cheese & Dairy, Fine Food and Beer & Cider Shows held in the calendar year prior that the President's Medal judging takes place.

7. POWER TO CANCEL OR ALTER

The RAS may, without assigning a reason:

- (a) Alter the Closing Date for the Competition;
- (b) Remove any Exhibit from Sydney Showground or cause any Exhibit to be removed from Sydney Showground;
- (c) Alter the conditions of the Competition, including but not exclusive to the Judging conditions and process followed;
- (d) Rule that an Exhibit or Exhibitor may not compete or is ineligible to compete;
- (e) Alter the date, time or place on or at which the Judging or awards presentation is scheduled to take place;
- (f) Alter a Judge scheduled to assess the Competition.

Notification of any changes will be listed on www.rasnsw.com.au/presidents_medal.htm

Whilst every effort will be made to release results on the date indicated, the RAS reserves the right to:

- (a) Defer announcing results until the Judges' report is finalised;
- (b) Cancel the event.

The rights set out above apply notwithstanding:

- (a) The RAS' acceptance of an entry;
- (b) Inclusion of an entry in the Results Catalogue; or
- (c) (c) The issue of any other document.

8. JUDGING CRITERIA

Nominee and Finalist Exhibits will be assessed on the following criteria:

JUDGING CRITERIA	POINTS
<p>The effective management of environmental, social, and financial sustainability issues (henceforth referenced as the Triple Bottom Line) confronting the business or businesses from which the Exhibit is derived.</p> <p>Effective management of these issues is deemed to reflect sustainable production practices and hence food and beverage products which can claim the highest level of product integrity.</p> <p>Judging will similarly take into account the sustainability of up-stream and down-stream businesses which provide inputs and services embodied in the Finalist Exhibit. The elements of the Triple Bottom Line are:</p> <p>Environmental Sustainability: This includes the effective management of current and emerging impacts of the business on the environment. This element of the judging requires Exhibitors of Nominee and Finalist Exhibits to have high levels of awareness of environmental assets in their region, the relative scarcity of those assets and current and emerging community priorities with respect to the protection of those assets.</p> <p>Exhibitors of Nominee and Finalist Exhibits should be aware of the impacts of the business on environmental assets, and/or have strategies in place by which business impact can be progressively assessed and mitigated over time. Judging will also consider how well environmental business strategy reflects the respective roles that individual business owners, their industry more broadly and the community can play in environmental management.</p> <p>Social Sustainability: This includes the relationship of the business to people, i.e. people 'within' and 'external' to the business. Issues internal to the business will have a strong focus on workforce management, i.e. staff turnover, career development, staff engagement, workforce incentives and cohesion in being integrally involved in driving sustainable business outcomes. Issues external to the business will include levels of awareness and proactive management of current and prospective business impacts on local and regional communities, and local and regional community engagement in business strategy. Also taken into account will be the effective management of health, safety and welfare impacts that might currently or prospectively relate to Exhibit consumption.</p> <p>Financial Sustainability: This includes business having effective financial monitoring procedures in place which enable early detection of problems, or opportunities, thereby facilitating effective adaptive management by the business. High levels of awareness of current and prospective business risks are expected, supported by an appropriate risk management strategy.</p>	60 Points
<p>Innovation in Achieving Environmental, Social and Financial Business Sustainability and Associated Exhibit Integrity</p> <p>Food and beverage businesses that strive to be at the forefront of current and emerging consumer preferences and associated sustainable production practices, will often be those that develop and 'early adopt' innovative business, production and marketing practices. Willingness to innovate will often reflect market leadership and close consideration by the business of emerging consumer preferences. It follows that such businesses will be at the forefront of driving industry competitiveness in domestic and export markets.</p> <p>Judges will therefore take into consideration business awareness of the current and emerging drivers of innovation in product markets, and how the business has responded and plans to respond. Innovation will relate to the achievement of financial, social and environmental outcomes and may relate to the adoption of new or past practices.</p> <p>Importantly, Judges will also consider the passion with which Exhibitors pursue product development that aligns with the emerging business challenges/risks and consumer preferences.</p>	40 Points

9. AWARD ARTWORK

The winner of the President's Medal will receive Award artwork, permission to use the trademark licence, and an 'Award Regulations & Promotion Kit' for guidance on artwork usage and marketing of the Award won which can be found at www.rasns.com.au/presidents_medal.htm.

The use of the Award artwork is subject to the Trademark Terms & Conditions in accordance with the RAS General Regulations Rule 189. An Exhibitor making improper use of medals or special awards for advertising purposes may be subject to disqualification from further Sydney Royal Shows conducted by the RAS. The Exhibitors of Finalist Exhibits will receive the equivalent testifying their achievements as a Finalist Exhibitor.

10. PRESIDENT'S MEDAL PRIZES

The winner of the President's Medal will receive \$10,000 prize money and the opportunity to activate a pop-up stand/stall in The Woolworths Fresh Food Dome during the 2023 Sydney Royal Easter Show, a heritage President's Medal medallion, medal artwork for promotional use.

11. PRIZES AND GST

The Australian Taxation Office has deemed that GST is payable on prizes if an Exhibitor is registered for GST and enters an Exhibit as part of a business enterprise.

The information an Exhibitor provides on the Application for Entry determines whether GST is applicable.

Any prize stated in this Schedule does not include GST.

GST will not apply:

- if an Exhibitor enters an Exhibit as a hobby or private recreational pursuit; or
- if an Exhibitor enters an Exhibit as part of a business enterprise, the Exhibitor has an ABN, but the Exhibitor is NOT REGISTERED for GST.
- if an Exhibitor enters an Exhibit as part of a business enterprise, the Exhibitor is not entitled to an ABN as the business or enterprise is not operating in Australia.

GST will apply:

- if an Exhibitor enters an Exhibit as part of a business enterprise, the Exhibitor has an ABN, and the Exhibitor is REGISTERED for GST.

Where GST applies, the RAS will pay the prize money quoted in this Schedule plus 10% GST. The RAS will issue a recipient created tax invoice.

12. PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

Presentations to the Finalists and the winner will occur at the President's Medal awards presentation on Wednesday 12 April 2023. This public event is ticketed, and Finalist Exhibitors will receive two (2) complimentary tickets for the awards presentation. Additional tickets must be purchased.

GENERAL INFORMATION

13. CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

A condition of entering the Competition is strict adherence to the following 'Regulations':

- Conditions of Entry to Sydney Showground located at www.rasnsw.com.au;
- RAS General Regulations;
- Special President's Medal Regulations in this Schedule.

The Application for Entry and the 'Regulations' constitute the whole agreement upon which Entries are submitted and the Exhibitor agrees that all representations and statements not appearing on the Application for Entry or in the Regulations are excluded. The General Regulations apply to all sections of the Competition. The Special President's Medal Regulations apply to this section only. Unless expressly stated in the General Regulations, if there is any inconsistency between the General Regulations and these Special President's Medal Regulations, the Special President's Medal Regulations prevail. Copies of all Regulations are available from the administration office at the Showground. RAS General Regulations are available at <https://www.rasnsw.com.au/sydney-royal-competitions/competitions/presidents-medal/>

14. WORKPLACE SURVEILLANCE ACT

RAS operates surveillance cameras from Sydney Showground Security and these are located in and around facilities requiring security monitoring for the safety or security of individuals or property. RAS also has access to Sydney Olympic Park security cameras and vice versa. Please note that security camera monitoring is continuous and ongoing and it is deemed that a person, by entering the Showground, consents to this photographing, filming or taping. RAS strictly complies with the Workplace Surveillance Act 2005.

15. DISCLAIMER

The information contained in this publication is gathered for the purpose of providing information to our Exhibitors and Show patrons. The information is a compilation of information provided by third parties and the RAS does not warrant its accuracy and advises that any such information may be subject to change or amendment occurring at any time and thereby making the information incorrect. Subject to the RAS' legal obligations and responsibilities. If you require confirmation of any information please telephone the RAS coordinator responsible for the particular information or the RAS switchboard on (02) 9704 1111.



THE ROYAL AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY OF NSW WOULD LIKE TO THANK ITS 2023 SPONSORS FOR SUPPORTING EXCELLENCE IN AUSTRALIAN AGRICULTURE AND REGIONAL COMMUNITIES

Gold



Bronze



Food Authority



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