

TOOWOOMBA ROYAL SHOW

26 - 28 MARCH

**WOODCHOP
SCHEDULE**

2026



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Chief Steward
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TWO-DAY EVENT **Friday 27th March & Saturday 28th March 2026**

WOODCHOPPING EVENTS- 17 Events with total prize money of \$21,870 plus trophies and ribbons including the **300mm UNDERHAND WORLD TITLE** 'Keith Hooper Memorial Shield' and the 300 mm Standing Block Queensland Championship
Sawing Events – 6 events

ENTRY FEE

\$10.00 Boys Chop
\$10.00 per competitor in double handed crosscut saw events
\$15.00 per novice/vets event
\$25.00 Queensland Championship Event
\$15.00 Open Events
\$50.00 World Championship Event

ENTRIES CLOSE

Monday 23rd February 2026

PLEASE NOTE: NO REFUNDS ALLOWED. Please complete your entry form carefully as this regulation will be strictly adhered to.

ENTRIES TO:

Mr Rohan Skennar
Queensland's Axemen's Association

QAA e-mail: gldaxemensassn@outlook.com
0417611930

COMMENCEMENT TIME

The programme commences at 9:00 am sharp.
Details of heats and finals times will be available on the day.

PRIZE MONEY

Prize money will be paid by end of June 2026 directly into the bank account nominated at time of entry.

TIMBER

The Timber being used at the 2026 Event will be Hardwood.

DAY 1 – Friday 26th March 2026

CLASS 28001- SPONSORED BY CRACKER PRINT & PAPER: 250 mm STANDING HANDICAP

1st prize- \$200 and sash; 2nd prize - \$ 120; 3rd prize - \$80 plus ribbons

CLASS 28002- SPONSORED BY SIGNS N LINES: 275 mm STANDING HANDICAP

1st prize- \$200; 2nd prize - \$ 120; 3rd prize - \$80 plus ribbons

CLASS 28003- SPONSORED BY O'DONNELLS BAKEHOUSE: 300 mm UNDERHAND HANDICAP

1st prize- \$200; 2nd prize - \$ 120; 3rd prize - \$80 plus ribbons

CLASS 28004- SPONSORED BY 300mm UNDERHAND WORLD TITLE.

1st prize - \$4000; 2nd prize - \$2800; 3rd prize \$1700; 4th prize \$1200; 5th prize \$700; 6th prize \$600 7th prize \$500 8th prize \$500.

CLASS 28005- SPONSORED BY LIONCO: 300 mm UNDERHAND CHAMPIONSHIP 2nd DIVISION

1st prize- \$200 plus sash; 2nd prize - \$ 120; 3rd prize - \$80 plus ribbons

CLASS 28006- SPONSORED BY O'DONNELLS BAKEHOUSE: 275 mm UNDERHAND CHAMPIONSHIP 3rd DIVISION.

1st prize- \$200 plus sash; 2nd prize - \$ 120; 3rd prize - \$80 plus ribbons

CLASS 28007- SPONSORED BY RANGE EVENT HIRE: 300mm TREEFELLING CHAMPIONSHIP (Limited to top 8 on handicap)

1st prize- \$200 plus sash; 2nd prize - \$ 120; 3rd prize - \$80 plus ribbons

CLASS 28008- SPONSORED BY O'DONNELLS BAKEHOUSE: 250 mm STANDING VETERANS HANDICAP

1st prize- \$200; 2nd prize - \$ 120; 3rd prize - \$80 plus ribbons

CLASS 28009- SPONSORED BY SHOWTIME SHOWBAGS: 450 mm DOUBLE HAND SAWING CHAMPIONSHIP

1st prize- \$300; 2nd prize - \$ 200; 3rd prize - \$100 plus ribbons (prize money to be split)

CLASS 28010- SPONSORED BY SHOWTIME SHOWBAGS: 375 mm OPEN SINGLE SAWING HANDICAP

1st prize- \$200; 2nd prize - \$ 120; 3rd prize - \$80 plus ribbons (prize money to be split)

CLASS 28011- SPONSORED BY SHOWTIME SHOWBAGS: 375 mm JACK & JILL HANDICAP

1st prize- \$200; 2nd prize - \$ 120; 3rd prize - \$80 plus ribbons (prize money to be split)

DAY 2 – Saturday 28th March 2026

CLASS 28012- SPONSORED BY LIONCO: 300 mm HANDICAP STANDING CHOP- 'KEITH HOOPER MEMORIAL SHIELD' and trophy.

1st prize- \$200 and sash; 2nd prize - \$ 120; 3rd prize - \$80 plus ribbons

CLASS 28013- SPONSORED BY O'DONNELL BAKEHOUSE: 300 mm HANDICAP UNDERHAND CHOP

1st prize- \$200 and sash; 2nd prize - \$ 120; 3rd prize - \$80 plus ribbons

CLASS 28014- SPONSORED BY ALTITUDE MOTEL: 250 mm HANDICAP STANDING CHOP

1st prize- \$200 and sash; 2nd prize - \$ 120; 3rd prize - \$80 plus ribbons

CLASS 28015- SPONSORED BY CLIVE BERGOHOFER DEVELOPMENTS: 275 mm HANDICAP UNDERHAND CHOP

1st prize- \$200 and sash; 2nd prize - \$ 120; 3rd prize - \$80 plus ribbons

CLASS 28016- SPONSORED BY CRACKER PRINT & PAPER: TREE FELLING EVENT

(If more than 8 axeman entered will be 2 finals)

1st prize- \$250 plus trophy and sash; 2nd prize - \$ 160; 3rd prize - \$90; 4th prize- \$50 plus ribbons

CLASS 28017- SPONSORED BY O'DONNELLS BAKEHOUSE: QUEENSLAND CHAMPIONSHIP- 300 mm STANDING BLOCK.

1st prize- \$550 and sash; 2nd prize - \$ 350; 3rd prize - \$250; 4th prize - \$150; 5th prize \$100; 6th prize - \$100 plus ribbons

CLASS 28018- SPONSORED BY MASTERHIRE: UNDERHAND NOVICE CHOP

1st prize- \$120; 2nd prize - \$60; 3rd prize - \$40 plus ribbons

CLASS 28019- SPONSORED BY CRACKER PRINT & PAPER: 275 mm UNDERHAND VETERANS HANDICAP

1st prize- \$200; 2nd prize - \$120; 3rd prize - \$80 plus ribbons

CLASS 28020- SPONSORED BY BRAYDEN & TEAGAN MEYER: 250 mm OPEN JUNIORS UNDERHAND CHOP

1st prize- \$120; 2nd prize - \$60; 3rd prize - \$40 plus ribbons

CLASS 28021- SPONSORED BY SHOWTIME SHOWBAGS: 450 mm DOUBLE HAND SAWING HANDICAP

1st prize- \$200; 2nd prize - \$ 120; 3rd prize - \$80 plus ribbons (prize money is to be split)

CLASS 28022- SPONSORED BY SHOWTIME SHOWBAGS: 375 mm JACK & JILL CHAMPIONSHIP

1st prize- \$200; 2nd prize - \$ 120; 3rd prize - \$80 plus ribbons (prize money to be split)

CLASS 28023- SPONSORED BY SHOWTIME SHOWBAGS: 325 mm JILL SINGLE HAND SAWING CHAMPIONSHIP

1st prize- \$200; 2nd prize - \$120; 3rd prize - \$60 plus ribbons

CONDITIONS

1. Contests conducted under the rules of the Queensland Axemen's Association and the QAA Officers
2. All axemen must present their handicap books to the Chief Steward at the Show. The rule 'NO BOOK – NO CHOP' will be strictly adhered to.
3. All axemen must be registered with their State's Axemen's Association
4. Ribbons will be presented to placegetters in all finals as well as cash prizes and all trophies where applicable
5. For safety reasons, 275 mm blocks will be used in open underhand events.
6. The attention of intending exhibitors is drawn to the fact that entries are accepted subject to the Rules of the Queensland Chamber of Agricultural Societies and the Constitution, Rules and By-Laws of the Royal Agricultural Society of Queensland, in addition to the special regulations which appear within this schedule.

COPIES OF THE CONSTITUTION, RULES AND BY-LAWS MAY BE VIEWED UPON APPLICATION TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

PASSES, PARKING & CAMPING

- All competitors will be forwarded a link after entries close to redeem their 2 complimentary passes. Any additional passes must be paid for. These will need to be printed and presented at the gate at both entry and exit. No pass, no entry.
- Gate 8 will open each day at 6 am and close at 9 am. No entry outside these times.
- Camping is permitted - \$35 per site. Must be booked with online entries.

QUEENSLAND CHAMBER OF AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES SHOW RULES
Rules for Show Societies, Stewards, Judges, Exhibitors and Competitors at Agricultural Shows.

1. This show is conducted subject to the rules of the Queensland Chamber of Agricultural Societies Inc., the constitution and rules of this Society and any other regulation, which appears within the Schedule for individual sections of this Show. Should there be any conflict between the rules of the Queensland Chamber of Agricultural Societies Inc, the constitution and rules of this Society and the regulations appearing in any schedule, the constitution, rules and regulations appearing in the schedule of this Society shall prevail.
2. The President, Steward and/or the Committee person in Charge of any section of this Show shall have the right to refuse any entry by an Exhibitor without expressing reason at any time up to the commencement of judging of the section to which that entry applies.
3. The Society reserves the right to refuse entry to any stallholder if the Society reasonably believes that it is necessary to do so in order to ensure that the standard, quality and safety of the Show is maintained.
4. The President, Committee person in Charge or Steward of any section shall have the right to alter or amend the programme or the time of any event.
5. This Society will not under any circumstances hold itself liable for any accident, loss, damage or non-delivery of livestock or other exhibits at the Society's Show, and it shall be a condition of entry that each exhibitor shall hold this Society blameless and indemnify it against any legal proceedings arising through any accident, loss, non-delivery or damage whatsoever.
6. Exhibitors must obey all lawful orders of the President, Secretary, and the Committee person in Charge or the Steward of the section in which the Exhibitor is entered. Failure to abide by any such order may incur a fine of an amount to be determined by the President of this Society or on the order of the President, the Exhibitor may be removed from the grounds together with the exhibit.
7. Stewards shall have the power to remove exhibitors or other persons from the vicinity of the Judge while judging.
8. The Judge's decision in any section shall be final.
9. Any protest by an Exhibitor must be lodged in writing with the Committee person or Steward in charge of any Section within 30 minutes of the completion of the event together with a fee of \$100.00. The fee will be forfeited if the protest is considered to be frivolous or vexatious. The protest shall be heard according to the rules of the natural justice by a Dispute Committee of three appointed by the President of this show and the decision of the Disputes Committee shall be final.
10. Ribbons will be awarded at the Judge's discretion notwithstanding that there may be provision in the schedule for the awarding of ribbons.
11. Exhibitors shall ensure that they and all animals are entered and shown in the correct class.
12. All exhibitors must present their exhibit for judging at the appointed time and place. Judging shall not be delayed for an Exhibitor who is not ready and the Committee person in Charge or Steward of the section shall have the right to exclude and disqualify the exhibitor competing in that section who does not present on time.
13. If, in the opinion of the Committee person in Charge or Steward of the section, any animal or exhibit is entered in the wrong class, the Committee person in charge or Steward of the Section shall have the power to enter the animal or exhibit in its correct class prior to the commencement of judging of that class.
14. Where there is an age limit on an Exhibitor, any of the following shall be accepted as proof of age:
 - A. A birth certificate
 - B. A Driver's Licence
 - C. Current passport
15. Exhibitors shall at all times behave in a proper and courteous manner to judges, Show Officials and other exhibitors. Should an exhibitor behave in an offensive or improper manner, the Committee person in Charge, or Steward of the section shall have the right to exclude and disqualify that Exhibitor from competing in the Section.
16. All Exhibitors and/or grooms entering the showground shall obey the lawful directions of the President, Committee, Stewards or Employees of the Show Society and failure or refusal to do so, shall entitle the President of this Society to disqualify the Exhibitor and/or his/her exhibit from competing at the show and may order the removal of the Exhibitor and /or his/her exhibit from the grounds.
17. A Judge shall not adjudicate at more than one show, where practical, within 60 days unless judging different sections where it can be reasonably anticipated a number of the same exhibits are to be judged.
18. Judging cards and performance records shall be completed by the Committee person in Charge, Steward and/or the Judge of a Section (if required) during or immediately after the judging of the Section or at the Judge's convenience.
19. Judges must be suitably attired when judging.
20. Competitors must be suitably attired when exhibiting.
21. If a Judge is unable to fulfil a judging commitment, the Judge shall notify the Show Society as soon as possible so replacement can be arranged.
22. A Judge shall not send a substitute Judge. All invitations to judge shall be sent by the Society.
23. A Society shall report to the Queensland Sub-Chamber of Agricultural Societies Inc. any Judge who fails to attend A show to which he or she has accepted an invitation to judge or, who has failed to judge at the time advertised for the commencement of the class provided that the failure to attend or appear is without reasonable cause.
24. A Judge may not officiate in one Section of a Show and compete or exhibit in another Section at the same show unless exceptional circumstances exist, such as sickness or unavailability of the appointed Judge.
25. An Exhibitor shall not compete in a section if the Exhibitor is a member of the Judge's immediate family.
26. An Exhibitor shall not compete nor show any animal in a section if the animal has been owned or leased by the Judge or a member of the Judge's immediate family or if the Judge is the Exhibitor's employer or business partner.
27. An Exhibitor shall not compete if the Exhibitor or any member of the Exhibitor's immediate family has provided accommodation for the Judge within three months prior to or during the holding of the Show.
28. An Exhibitor shall not compete if the Exhibitor or any animal being shown by the Exhibitor has been given tuition by the Judge's business partner within three months prior to or during the show.

29. An Exhibitor is ineligible to compete if the Exhibitor has employed or has been employed by or has been a business partner of the Judge of the Section within three months prior to or during the show.
30. An Exhibitor shall not compete if the Exhibitor has given tuition to the Judge or has fed or trained an animal owned or leased by the judge within three months prior to or during the show.
31. A Judge shall not visit the livestock-housing complex of the Show Society, nor the owners, nor inspect or discuss any animals entered in the Show prior to or during the judging of the relevant section.
32. No Exhibitor shall deface or alter registration papers or performance cards for any exhibit.
33. A Judge or Steward must not knowingly permit an ineligible Exhibit or Exhibitor to compete.
34. No Exhibitor nor a member of the Exhibitor's immediate family or anybody employed by the Exhibitor shall approach a Judge with regard to a decision made by the Judge unless they first obtain permission from the Committee person in Charge or Steward of the Section.
35. In Breed Classes, all animals must have current Registration and Ownership Certificate with the relevant Breed Society.
36. In Breed Classes, registration papers (where applicable) must be available at the Show as proof of registration.
37. An Exhibitor required by the Show Section Schedule or rules of this Society to parade an exhibit in the Grand Parade and who fails to do so, shall not be entitled to and shall forfeit any prize money or trophy to that Exhibitor and/or for that Exhibit.
38. The Exhibitor shall ensure that they and their exhibit comply with all statutes, regulations and by-laws applying to the showground at the time of the show including but not limited to all animal health requirements.
39. Exhibitors and Space Holders who bring electrical equipment into the showground must comply with current legislation.
40. Where animals are being led, worked and displayed, it is the responsibility of the owner/handler at the time to ensure the animal does not become a public safety liability.
41. Dogs, other than those owned by members of the Canine Control Council, must be kept in a closed float, a vehicle or on a short leash and must be suitably muzzled as to prevent it being able to injure or bite any person or other animal.
42. Any competitor who receives any physical or electronic communication aid during the judging of an event will have all nominations cancelled. The persons concerned may be asked to leave the showground.
43. Energised electric fences are prohibited on the Showground at any time unless in a specified area and suitably signed.
44. Rules for individual Sections shall be as per the attached Schedule/s and they shall be read in conjunction with the rules.
45. Every official, competitor and helper has the right to be treated with dignity and respect. In support of this right, the RASQ has zero tolerance for any form of bullying, harassment, discrimination and violence. Any person subjected to any of these forms of harmful conduct is encouraged to report it in writing to the RASQ Committee or Section Head Chief Steward. All reports will be handled promptly and confidentially.

ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE POLICY

1. The Queensland Chamber of Agricultural Societies Inc. will not tolerate unacceptable behaviour from any judge, steward or person performing duties at an Agricultural Show or Show Committee organised function, who is affected by alcohol or drugs.
2. The Chamber considers that all persons assisting at a Show or function should be free of any intimidation or embarrassment caused by any person who is affected by alcohol or drugs.
3. The Executive of the Show Society or person in charge of the Event must ensure that any Judge, Steward or Person is not subject to any behaviour, which is a personal embarrassment to the Members of the Show Society or renders the Show Society in disrepute.
4. Any reports of alcohol or drug abuse will be treated seriously and action will be taken immediately to remedy the problem.
5. Disciplinary action may be taken against any person who is in breach of these protocols.
6. Any Judge, Steward or person affected by alcohol or drugs by their actions may be liable under the Workplace, Health and Safety Act.
7. Disciplinary action arising from any incident involving alcohol or drug abuse may involve a warning, dismissal or referral to authorities.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

**Due to current changes to public liability the following clauses have been included in the Show Society's Rules and Regulations.
Please note: When you sign off on your entry form you will be agreeing to the following inclusions.**

- Agree to compete/exhibit at the 2026 Royal Agricultural Society of Queensland Toowoomba Royal Show at my own risk.
- Agree not to make any claim against the Royal Agricultural Society of Queensland for any injury or loss sustained to me, my property, or the livestock exhibit under my care at the 2026 Toowoomba Royal Show.
- Agree to compete/exhibit at my own risk and to indemnify and keep indemnified the Royal Agricultural Society of Queensland, together with any other organization or person involved in the conduct of any show against all claims, suits, actions, or demands, which may be brought in respect of any injury or other loss sustained to me, my property, or the livestock exhibit under my care in the course of competing/exhibiting at the show and agree to exonerate the committee of management of the Show Society together with any other organization or person involved in the conduct of any agricultural show from all loss or injury to me, my property or the livestock exhibit under my care whether due to alleged negligence or otherwise.
- Acknowledge that no insurance is provided on my behalf, and I am responsible for arranging my own public liability and all other insurances.



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