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TO ALL OUR LOYAL SPONSORS, EXHIBITORS, MEMBERS AND SUPPORTERS,

The Gympie Carcass Classic Committee would like to extend their sincere thanks to our stalwart Sponsors, Exhibitors and Supporters for another successful competition in the 2021 year.

Following on from the outcome of the 2019 Classic, the Committee has decided to keep everything very much the same for the 2021 year. Cattle will once again be fed at the same feedlot using bunks. Using this method of *bunk feeding*, the cattle are fed twice daily to ensure maximum freshness of feed in order to gain every possible end benefit. This method allows more of the animals' access to feed at any one time which should increase each animal's health and productivity. Courtesy of Waterfall Feedlot, Goomeri the cattle will be *custom fed for 78 days* in the feedlot.

The last Classic Competition conducted in the 2019 year saw 179 head nominated. This kept Committee members very busy and the competition was stronger than ever. Once again, we had a fantastic response to the Field Days with large turnouts for the Induction, Final day, as well as a packed house at our Celebration Dinner. It was also extremely heartening to see so many of our regional high school students in attendance, with a record number of assessor entries.

The Carcass Classic Committee itself has stayed very much the same as the previous year. I, Hayden Pratt, have again taken on the Co-Ordinator role. Nev Zerner is continuing on as our long time Treasurer. Other Committee Members include Barry McIntyre, Keith Lacey, Emma Franz, Jenny Zerner, Nicole Torrens and in an Ex-Officio capacity, Mick Seeney.

Gympie Veterinary Services will continue to be our Vet Sponsors.

The Committee extends a sincere thank you to Robert Maudsley of Waterfall Feedlot as the 2021 host feedlot.





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ASSEMBLY AND LIVE ASSESSMENTS' DAY will be held at the WOOLOOGA SALE YARDS ON TUESDAY, April 27, 2021. Cattle MUST BE DELIVERED to the WOOLOOGA SALE YARDS prior to 10 am TUESDAY, April 27. For any deliveries prior to Tuesday, please contact one of the Committee Members. On this day, a BBQ and Drinks will be provided for benefit of attendees courtesy of Sponsors, Nutrien Ag Solutions. Once again, the cattle will be available for viewing with the LIVE CATTLE ASSESSMENTS conducted on this Tuesday between 10 am and 12 noon prior to the cattle being sent to the Feedlot. All cattle will be checked by our Veterinarian to assess the health of the cattle prior to entry into the feedlot. On Tuesday afternoon, all cattle will be transported to the Feedlot. The cattle will be fed hay overnight, followed by weighing and inducting at the feedlot on the Wednesday by the Committee. All animal health treatments will be undertaken at the Feedlot on the Wednesday.

Feed Costs will be advised to all Exhibitiors approximately one month prior to Induction.

<u>Please note</u>: The Gympie Carcass Classic Scoring System has been slightly updated. Attached is the 10 page copy outlining our 2021 scoring criteria.

The FINAL FIELD DAY will be held on the FRIDAY, 16 JULY 2021 at the GYMPIE SALEYARDS, BANKS POCKET ROAD, GYMPIE commencing at 10.00 am. A BBQ and Drinks will be available on this day again courtesy of Nutrien Ag Solutions.

This year's Interactive Forum and Celebration Dinner will be held on FRIDAY, 30 July 2021. The venue for these proceedings will be confirmed at a later date.

All details for this year's competition can be found on the attached forms. Please take the time to read them carefully to ensure you and your cattle are in contention this year. We look forward to seeing everyone again come Induction Day and will be pleased to welcome all our faithful Patrons, Exhibitors, Members and Sponsors. We also extend a cordial welcome to new Exhibitors, Sponsors, Members and Patrons.





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The Committee extends sincere appreciation to all our generous Sponsors who assist in making our Carcass Classic Competition such a success. We, again, must extend heartfelt thanks to our PLATINUM (MAJOR) SPONSOR, DAN AND LEANNE SULLIVAN FROM SULLIVAN LIVESTOCK AND RURAL SERVICES, TOZER STREET, GYMPIE who have been key supporters for many years.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact any of the Committee Members.

Any enquiries can also be directed to us via email at gympiecarcassclassic@outlook.com

Kind Regards,

Gympie District Beef Liaison Group Inc.

www.gdblg.org.an

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Calendar of Activities

THURSDAY, April 1, 2021

Nominations Close

TUESDAY, April 27, 2021

10 am - 12 noon

Assembly and Live Assessments Day

Bring completed Entry Details Form/s.

Cattle to arrive at the Woolooga Saleyards by 10am.

✓ Cattle will be available for viewing and live cattle assessments

(Morning tea and lunch will be available)

After 12 Noon, Cattle will be transported to Waterfall Feedlot Goomeri. The cattle will be fed hay overnight and will be inducted the following day by the Committee only.

WEDNESDAY, April 28, 2021

Competition commences in Feedlot

Starting weights will be taken at the Feedlot on April 28, 2021. Weights will be available via email shortly after.

Telephone Enquiries

Hayden Pratt (Co-Ordinator) - 0448 169 395

Neville Zerner (Treasurer) - 0402 093 191 or 07 5483 7800

Keith Lacey - 0427 761 641

Barry McIntyre - 0418 778 158

Emma Franz - 0428 067 944

Nicole Torrens - 0419 874 805





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10am start

End of Competition Field Day at Gympie Saleyards.

- ✓ All cattle on display vendors given the opportunity to pass comment on their cattle
- ✓ Live cattle assessment
- ✓ Assessment of selected 8 head
- ✓ Guest speakers
- ✓ Trade stalls

(Sausage Sizzle and Drinks provided)

MONDAY, July 19, 2021

Cattle slaughtered at Nolan Meats, Gympie.

FRIDAY, July 30, 2021

Presentation and Awards Dinner @ 6.30pm (Venue to be confirmed)





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To provide an environment for exhibitors and other interested parties to learn more about desirable traits in beef cattle, best on farm practices and advances in technology which are fundamental to producing beef.

To identify the animal possessing the most desirable combination of the following attributes:

- Suitability for the domestic market (i.e. hospitality, restaurant, institutional, local butcher, supermarket)
- **Profitability**
- Feedlot performance (weight gain)
- Dressing percentage
- Eating Quality (MSA Index Scores) Meat Standards Australia

These attributes are calculated against a pre-determined formula derived by the committee. An ideal local trade carcass has specifications of 200-280 kg dressed weight with 5-12 mm at the p8 site, marble score 1, milk tooth after 70 days in the feedlot.

- Charlie Cotter Allrounder: Calculated on weight gain, carcass points, dressing % and gain in value.
- Most Suitable Carcass for the Domestic Market. The specified carcass is 200 kg to 280 kg dressed weight, with 5 mm to 12 mm fat depth (rump), 3mm to 10mm rib fat, 0 dentition (milk teeth), and must meet MSA specifications
- Highest Scoring (Opposite Sex) Carcass.
- Most Profitable Animal: Based on first day valuation and carcass valuation.
- Best Aggregate of Three (3) Carcasses: Carcass points added and mean given.
- Best Weight Gain in Feedlot: Calculated on daily weight gain and percentage of weight gained combined.

2019 saw many awards distributed over the Competitors, with a total prize pool of over \$20,000. Total number of prizes will be determined after sponsorship applications have been compiled.





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Rules

- 1. All cattle to arrive at Woolooga Saleyards before 10am on <u>Tuesday, April 27, 2021.</u> Cattle must be clearly identifiable by the Ear Tag/s provided by the Committee.
- 2. Transport will be organized by Gympie Carcass Classic from Woolooga Saleyards to Waterfall Feedlot upon acceptance courtesy of Warrego Livestock Transport.
- **3.** Entries may be steers or heifers.
- 4. Prior to arrival Woolooga Saleyards:
 - 4.1 **CATTLE MUST BE POLLED OR DEHORNED** and males desexed. Regrowth is permitted providing the horn is no longer than its width at the hair line.
 - 4.2 Cattle must NOT be treated with HGPs. Cattle treated with HGPs prior to arrival at the Woolooga Saleyards will NOT be accepted.
 - 4.3 Please note cattle that are outside the recommendations will be accepted, <u>but if they do not meet the final carcass specifications will NOT be eligible for any of the awards</u>.
 - 4.4 For cattle competing originating from TICK FREE country Gympie Vet Services and the Gympie Carcass Classic committee recommend that clean cattle are treated with 3-germ blood at least 8-10 weeks prior to induction day. If cattle are treated any closer to induction day the blood will affect the performance of other vaccinations given at induction and therefore animal health is **not** guaranteed.

5. Upon arrival at the Woolooga Saleyards:

- 5.1 Cattle must be healthy and free from ticks, buffalo fly, ringworm and must have 0 dentition (milk tooth). Cattle will be inspected by an animal health officer upon arrival, and the committee reserves the right to reject cattle not complying with this rule.
- 5.2 **NLIS Tags must be attached** to the offside ear, any animals not having NLIS tags will not be accepted (cattle without NLIS buttons have lost lifetime traceability and are not MSA eligible, therefore will <u>NOT</u> be eligible for any prizes). **Please also note** that cattle with **orange/non-breeder** tags will not be eligible for prizes as they are not lifetime traceable (unless the correct procedures are followed via the NLIS data base).
- 5.3 **The LPA/National Vendor Declaration** must accompany cattle. This form will be checked on arrival of stock. The NVD <u>must be an April 2013 or newer version.</u> Any inaccurate/non-current LPA forms will be ineligible.
- 5.4 "Entry Details Form" must accompany the National Vender Declaration.
- 5.5 Cattle will be treated with Dectomax, Bovi-shield, Rhinogard and a 7 in 1 and given a Carcass Classic management tag.
- 5.6 Any First Time Exhibitors must return their Nolan Meats RCTI Agreement & Questionnaire forms with their nominations for them to be accepted (unless vendor has already previously traded with Nolan Meats).

Please contact Payton Jennings at Nolan Meats for the above forms if required.

Phone: 07 5489 6888





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6. All cattle will be slaughtered at Nolan Meats, Gympie and trimmed to AUS-MEAT standard carcass.

7.Carcasses

- 7.1 All carcasses will be purchased by Nolan Meats, Gympie on a dressed weight price grid basis.
 - (a) A premium will be paid for the carcasses that fit the ideal domestic trade specifications.
 - (b) The specified carcass is 200 kg to 280 kg dressed weight, with 5 mm to 12 mm fat depth (rump), 3 mm to 10 mm Rib Fat, 0 detention, must meet MSA specifications.
- 7.2 For animals to be eligible for any competition prizes they must meet the final carcass specification (as above). Any carcasses outside these specifications will NOT be eligible for any prize category.
- 7.3 All carcasses will be judged using 'Gympie Carcass Classic' Appraisal System.
- 7.4 Unavailable for own use.

8. Administration

- 8.1 Please note this year there will be NO limit on the number of entries per exhibitor.
- 8.2 For Gympie District Beef Liaison Group Members the nomination fee is a set fee of \$16.50 (including GST of \$1.50) per head and must accompany the nomination form or paid directly into the account specified on the nomination form.

For Non-Members, the Nomination Fee is a set fee of \$22.00 (including GST of \$2.00) per head. The nomination fee/s must accompany the nomination form or paid directly into the account specified on the nomination form. To become a Member of the Gympie District Beef Liaison Group Incorporated, please email:-gympiecarcassclassic@outlook.com

The nomination fee is not refundable. Nomination forms with nomination fee are to be sent to gympiecarcassclassic@outlook.com or mailed to Gympie Carcass Classic, C/-Hayden Pratt, 564 Bruce Highway Chatsworth, Gympie QLD 4570. **Nominations close on Thursday, April 1, 2021.**

- 8.3 The cost of feed and feedlot expenses will be Confirmed approximately 1 month prior to Induction. This amount is payable by direct deposit on or before cattle arrive at the Woolooga Saleyards on Tuesday, April 27, 2021. Cheque payments will be accepted on the day. Cheques are to be made payable to Gympie Beef Carcass Classic Account.
- 8.4 By entering the Gympie Carcass Classic, you acknowledge that all of your data (live and kill) will be shared publicly. This includes all carcass photos, which may be used as educational tools
- 8.5 Any disputes will be handled by the Carcass Classic Committee and their decision will be final.
- 8.6 Cattle must be owned by the Exhibitor for at least 28 days prior to entry.





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COMMITTEE'S GUIDELINES

It is recommended that cattle be weaned 3 to 4 weeks prior to Induction with suggested starting weights of between 270kgs to 350kgs. Cattle outside of these recommended induction weights will still be accepted.

In the 2021 competition, the Committee together with Gympie Veterinary Services have decided to pre-vaccinate all cattle with Bovi-shield and 7 in 1, approximately 21 days prior to Induction Day at Woolooga Sale Yards.

These vaccinations will be carried out by Committee Members on your properties at no extra cost to exhibitors. This is to ensure the vaccinations will be more effective when entering the feedlot. It will allow the best chance for the cattle to perform well and to minimize the risk of disease and sickness in the feedlot.

Cattle will also be tagged with their exhibitor numbers at the time the Committee perform the vaccinations on the entries.

If you have any queries regarding the pre-vaccinations, please do not hesitate to contact either the Committee or our Vet, Justin Schooth.

Dr Justin Schooth BVSc Gympie Veterinary Services 2 Little Channon St Gympie QLD 4570 Ph 07 5482 2488

CATTLE VALUATION

• The Committee take the valuation price obtained from Sullivan Livestock at the start of competition weight, combining them to form the animal's valuation i.e. start of competition weight multiplied by the price/kg which will equal the individual animals **Starting Valuation**.





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Nomination Form

Nominations close Thursday, April 1, 2021

NOTE: All First Time Exhibitors must have this form accompanied by the Nolan Meats RCTI Agreement & Questionnaire in order for nominations to be accepted.

Name:		
Postal Address:		
Email Address:		
Property Identification Code (PIC):	Phone No:	
	entification. Tags must include exhibitor's entry tagged will not be inducted into the competition.	
Number of Entries: (please indicate breed of all entries)		
□ 1. Breed:	.Sex	
□ 2. Breed:	Sex	
□ 3. Breed:	.Sex	
☐ 4. Breed:	Sex	
□ 5. Breed:	Sex	
☐ 6. Breed:	.Sex	
□ 7. Breed:	.Sex	
□ 8. Breed:	Sex	
□ 9. Breed:	.Sex	
□10. Breed:	Sex	
■ Have you entered animals in a previous Gympie Carcass Classic? □YES □NO		
TOTAL NUMBER OF ENTRIES		
A Member Nomination Fee of \$16.50 per head (includes GST of \$1.50).		

A Non-Member Nomination Fee of \$22.00 per head (includes GST of \$2.00). The nomination fee/s must accompany the nomination form or paid directly into the account specified on the nomination form.

There is no limit on the number of entries per exhibitor.

Membership Forms are available from the Committee.

Please Turn Over for Payment Options





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Payment Options: (A tax invoice/receipt will be issued and forwarded to you for your records.) Our ABN is: 43 213 435 040 – GST Registered.

<u>Cheque:</u> OR <u>Direct Deposit:</u>

Please make payable to: Account Name: Gympie Carcass

Classic

Gympie Carcass Classic BSB 084 691

Account No. 677356631

Please ensure your Last Name is on the bank deposit description

PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED FORM AND CHEQUE PAYMENTS TO

Gympie Carcass Classic, C/- Hayden Pratt, 564 Bruce Highway, CHATSWORTH, Gympie Qld 4570

Or scan and email forms to **gympiecarcassclassic@outlook.com**

**PLEASE NOTE: Cattle entries to arrive at the Woolooga Saleyards BEFORE 10am on TUESDAY, APRIL 27, 2021





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Entry Details

----- IMPORTANT -----

This form must be completed in full and lodged with your entries on arrival at the Woolooga Saleyards on Tuesday, April 27, 2021.

Please DO NOT lodge this form with your nomination.

Please Attach to NVD/Permit

CATTLE WILL BE EAR TAGGED WITH "ENTRY" NUMBER BY

THE COMMITTEE WHEN PRE-VACCINATIONS ARE COMPLETED

Name: Address:		
Please supply an accurate breed desc	cription and 'tick' if your entry is Vendor Bred.	
Ear Tag Number:	Ear Tag Number: Breed: Sex:	
☐ Vendor Bred	☐ Vendor Bred	
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TOTAL NUMBER OF ENTRIES:....