



CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1. Entrants must be unmarried, aged from 18 to 28 years inclusive as at 1st August in the year of the competition. The Awards are open to girls born in Australia or naturalised Australians.
2. The ultimate winner must remain unmarried until the conclusion of the Royal Queensland Show. Entrants must not have been married or have had or having a child prior to State Final Judging.
3. An entrant must have been selected as a current representative of the Miss Showgirl Awards conducted by an affiliated Society to be eligible to compete in Sub-Chamber and State Final Judging. In the event of the local representative being unable to attend sub-chamber judging and a runnerup had been selected then she may do so. Previous State Winners and State Runners-Up in the Miss Showgirl Awards are not eligible to enter again. Local and Sub-Chamber Winners and Runners-Up may enter again providing they are not State Winners.
4. Prospective entrants who are employed or are still in fulltime studies are advised to ascertain in advance that they are able to obtain leave of absence to attend Sub-Chamber and State Final judging if necessary. The State finalists will be required to be in Brisbane the day prior to and the first three (3) days of the Royal Queensland Show. The ultimate Miss Showgirl winner must remain in Brisbane to perform official duties up till and including the 'People's Day' holiday of the Royal Queensland Show.
5. State Finalists must participate as a group in the entire itinerary; otherwise they must withdraw from the contest.
6. Should an entrant enter and win a prize or title and does not abide by the above conditions, she will not be eligible for further participation in the Miss Showgirl Awards and will automatically forfeit all prizes and title associated with the Miss Showgirl Awards.
7. Entrants must accept that any behaviour that will bring disrepute to the Miss Showgirl Awards and is deemed inappropriate by the Showgirl Committee, prior to or during the State Finals, may forfeit their right to participate.

About the QUEENSLAND COUNTRY LIFE MISS SHOWGIRL AWARDS

The Miss Showgirl awards seek young Queensland Ladies to represent Queensland Shows for 12 months. The role encourages and promotes the Agricultural Show Movement to Queensland Youth. Entrants are selected for their knowledge, presentation, passion for the agricultural show movement and their community. The competition is not a beauty contest, nor is it an intelligence test, it is an award presented to young Queenslanders who raise the profile of Queensland Shows. The award provides an opportunity to excel in leadership, community involvement, key management and confidence. This process of selecting a Queensland representative starts at Show level, across the State. Approximately 600 girls will enter and compete at the 127 Shows in Queensland, firstly at their local Show, then each local winner will compete at their Sub-Chamber finals, with the 11 regional winners competing at the Ekka for the State title.

Cooyar Showgirl competition...

The objective of the competition at Cooyar is to provide the opportunity for young women to gain and expand their knowledge and involvement within the Cooyar Agricultural Society. The winner will also represent the Show Society and district during the Show and at other Darling Downs Show Societies' events in which she may be invited to.

The Cooyar Showgirl Competition is run by the State rules and guidelines and the winner at Cooyar is eligible for nomination to the Darling Downs Sub-Chamber finals, held each year in conjunction with the Toowoomba Royal Show.

What is involved...

Miss Showgirl entrants will be asked to participate in an interview with a panel of three to four judges at the Show Cocktail Party, which will be approximately 15 – 20 minutes. The interview is a general discussion about themselves, their education and work experience, Show and community involvement, general knowledge, knowledge of their district, etc. Points are allocated for

- General Conversation,
- General Appearance & Dress Sense,
- General Knowledge (local, state, national/international),
- Show Involvement & Commitment,
- Public Speaking,
- Deportment, Speech & Manners, and
- Personality.

Entrants will also be interviewed on stage, by the compere, before the announcement of the winner.

Entrants are also asked to participate on Show Day, helping with various jobs which may include:

- handing out ribbons and presenting trophies for competitions run on the day
- moving a vote of thanks on behalf of the committee during the Official Opening
- attending the Official Luncheon
- being available for photos and interviews with journalists covering the Show
- helping with any other small jobs that come up during the day

Judging Criteria

Personality (20 points)

Points are given for the manner in which the entrant has maintained, developed or faltered in her personality during the interview.

Deportment Speech/Manners (20 points)

This will be assessed throughout the interview, and may even be noted earlier in the night when you first meet the judges.

General Conversation (20 points)

There are a number of general questions that could be asked under this heading.

Examples are:

Tell us about yourself, your family, your interests and your occupation?

(judges may use your nomination form as a good conversation starter)

How would you describe yourself in five words?

What would be the most exciting aspect of winning the Showgirl title?

What are your ambitions for the future?

General Appearance and Dress Sense (20 points)

These points cover make-up, neatness of attire, the way the entrant's accessories match her outfit and the manner in which the clothes suit her. It is stressed that age of clothes or body shape is irrelevant. It is whether the clothes suit the entrants shape, style and personality, and whether the outfit is appropriate for the occasion.

General Knowledge (30 points)

These questions will be straight-forward and opinion questions. Opinion questions will have no right or wrong answer, but the entrants will be given points on their ability to discuss their point of view. Examples are:

Tell us about some local industries in the area?

What are some unique attractions around your town/district, where would you take a tourist?

Who is your local State or National Parliament representative/ name the state Agricultural minister/ who is the Shire mayor etc.?

Name a major sporting event held in Australia recently.

You may also be asked questions about recent news stories, both national and international, as part of your general knowledge.

Show Movement Knowledge and Commitment (30 points)

Some of the questions may include things about your past, present and/or future involvement with the Cooyar Show, and your knowledge of what the Cooyar Show is about. Examples are:

What value do you believe the Show Movement is to the local community?

Name the president of the Cooyar Show/name the Darling Downs Sub-chamber directors.

How many Shows have been held at Cooyar?

What Sub-Chamber is the Cooyar Show part of/how many are in the Darling Downs sub-chamber?

Tell us about your involvement in local Show competitions or volunteering at the Show?

Name some of the major attractions at the Cooyar Show.

Do you have any suggestions for improvements at the Show/ways to involve people?

Interaction with girls, sponsors, judges, committee members (20 points)

Public Interview (40 points)

Presentation, poise and general appearance during public interview.

Responses during public interview.

Each entrant will be interviewed on stage by the compere. Questions will be decided beforehand with the entrant, and will usually be taken from the nomination form. This allows the judges to assess each entrants' public speaking ability, but also for the general public to get to know a little about each of the girls.

For more info on Shows in Queensland and other State competitions check out the Queensland Chamber of Agricultural Societies website: www.queenslandshows.com.au

If you have any questions regarding the Cooyar Miss Showgirl competition please contact

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MISS SHOWGIRL AWARDS - NOMINATION FORM
LOCAL AND SUB-CHAMBER JUDGING

Full Name: _____

Street Address: _____

Town/City: _____ Postcode: _____

Home Phone: _____ Mobile Phone: _____

Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Age (at 1st Aug): _____

Occupation: _____

Nominating Society: _____ Sub Chamber: _____

Entrants Declaration:

I have read and understood the "Miss Showgirl Awards Conditions of Entry" and agree to be bound in all respects by these "Conditions of Entry" and the Rules & By-Laws of QCAS

I HEREBY declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief all matters and information provided on this Nomination Form are true and correct. The information supplied by me on this form is not to be disclosed to anyone not associated with the Miss Showgirl Awards without my written consent.

Signature of Applicant	Date	Signature of Local Miss Showgirl Organiser	Date
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- Email or Print and Fax/Post this Entry Form along with the attachments noted above directly to the Show Society in which you will be competing
- All Show Society contact details can be found at www.queenslandshows.com.au
- False or Misleading information given by the entrant may lead to disqualification from this event and for the duration of the Competition

Show Office/Sub Chamber Coord Use Only:			
Show Society Judging:		Sub Chamber Judging:	
Winner	<input type="checkbox"/> (Fwd forms to Sub Chamber Coord)	Winner	<input type="checkbox"/> (Fwd forms to QCAS Office)
Runner Up	<input type="checkbox"/> (Fwd forms to Sub Chamber Coord)	Runner Up	<input type="checkbox"/> (Fwd forms to QCAS Office)
Other	<input type="checkbox"/> (Retain forms for your records)	Other	<input type="checkbox"/> (Retain forms for your Records)



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MISS SHOWGIRL AWARDS
PROFILE FORM "A"
LOCAL AND SUB-CHAMBER JUDGING

FULL NAME:

1. *Education:*

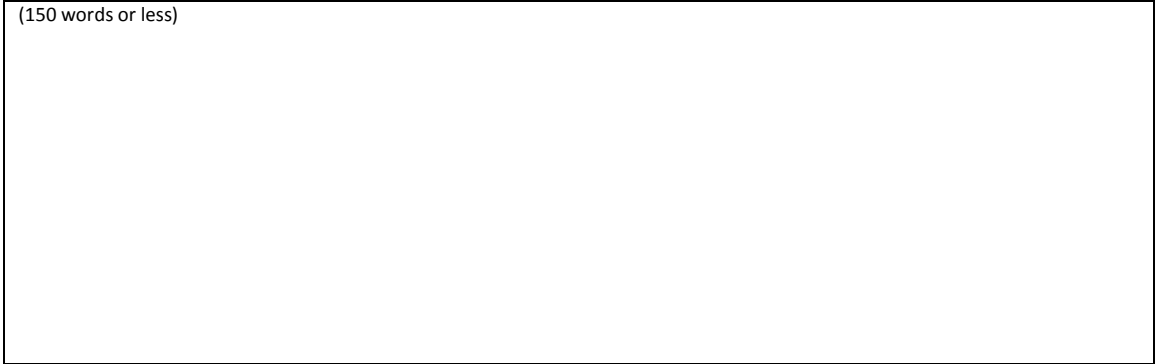
Senior School Attended:	_____
Level Achieved:	_____
Further Qualifications:	_____

2. *Hobbies:*

(100 words or less)

3. *Sporting Interests:*

(150 words or less)



4. *Ambitions:*

(150 words or less)



5. *Why would you like to win the local Miss Showgirl Awards:*

(150 words or less)

Cooyar Miss Showgirl Awards
Nomination Form

Name a celebrity/sport person/public figure you regard as a positive role model for young women?

What significance do Agricultural Shows hold for their local regions?

Where do you see yourself in five years?

If you could change one thing to make Australia a better place, what would it be?
