

Section B Trade and Export Cattle (Grass Fed*)

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Hoof: Dayna Grey

Hook: Accredited Meat Standards Australia (MSA) Assessor Janine Lau.

Entry Fee: \$10.00 per animal. Entries close: Friday 24th November 2023.

Competition Details

The competition is run in the Beef Australia format, with entries received in **pens of three** cattle in two classes. Exhibitors have the opportunity to co-enter the Beef Australia 2024 National Carcase Competition by completing an entry form. Details of the grass-finished class specifications and entry forms are at <https://beefaustralia.com.au/>

The committee encourages all entrants to consider entering Beef Australia, as local producers have performed very well in previous years, receiving valuable prizes

The hoof section will be run at the Circular Head Show on **Saturday 2nd of December 2023**, after which entries will be transported to Greenham Tasmania, to be grazed and fed ad lib silage for 30 days to comply with MSA rules, and processed in early January 2024.

Competition entries will be judged under MSA criteria, which measures saleable meat yield, market specifications, and importantly, eating quality. Care will be taken to ensure MSA compliance.

Bonus carcase points may be awarded for the consistency of weight, fat distribution, lean meat yield and eating quality score of the three cattle in each entry.

All entries are required by law to have National Livestock Identification Scheme (NLIS) tags, and be accompanied by a National Vendor Declaration (NVD) form, a MSA Declaration form and a completed Greenham Tasmania 'Never Ever' declaration form, if applicable.

Ear tags for identification will be supplied and will be mailed to entrants during the week prior to the Show Day. **Cattle with horns exceeding 5 cm will not be accepted.**

A limit of one pen per class per exhibitor may be enforced at the discretion of the stewards.

Please Note: Unloading facilities - The unloading ramp is located at the rear of the Trade Cattle yards accessible from the old railway line lane. Turn left at the entry to the showground and follow signs. Cattle will be received in trucks **between 6.00 – 8.00 am** on Show Day or earlier by arrangement with the Stewards. Late arrivals will not be accepted.

Judging commences at **10.00 am Saturday 2nd December 2023** at the rear of the Beef Cattle Shed. **All are welcome.** Entry forms and information www.circularheadshow.com.au

Hoof Classes - Prize Money: 1st prize \$75, 2nd prize \$40, 3rd prize \$20

Note: Aligned with Beef Australia 2024 classes

2. Pen of three Heavy Trade Chiller Steers or Heifers (Grass Fed*)

This class requires Steers or Heifers suitable for the domestic market that have a maximum of 2 permanent incisor teeth and have a carcass weight in the range of 280.1 to 360 kg with a fat cover of 5 – 22 mm (8 – 14 mm ideal). Approximate live weight range from 540 to 690 kg, using a 52% dressing percentage.

The **“Rabobank Trophy”**
will be awarded to
Champion Steer or Heifer Group - Class One (Hoof)

3. Pen of three Export chiller bullocks (Grass Fed*)

This class requires steers suitable for the Japanese Chilled Beef Market with a maximum of 4 teeth and hot standard carcass weight in the range 300 to 420 kg with a fat depth at the P8 site of 5 – 22 mm (10 – 16 mm ideal). Approximate live weight range from 555 to 780 kg, using a 54% dressing percentage aiming to achieve a minimum marbling score of 2.

The **“Fergus Medwin Memorial Trophy”**
Sponsored by *Medwin Enterprises*
will be awarded to the
Champion Prime Beef Steer Group – Class Two (Hoof)

The **“Cyril Wells Memorial Trophy”**
Sponsored by *Jaeger Electrical and Refrigeration*
will be awarded to the
Show Champion Pen of Three

Hook Classes – automatically transferred from the corresponding Hoof Class.
Prize money: 1st prize \$100, 2nd \$40, 3rd \$20 and the following trophies;

Champion Yearling Steer or Heifer Group - Local Trade (Carcass)
“Rex Frankcombe Memorial Trophy”
Sponsored by the Frankcombe Family
and Red Angus Society, Tasmanian Members

Champion Prime Beef Steer Group - Japanese Export (Carcass)
“Greenham Tasmania Pty Ltd Trophy”

Highest Scoring Steer or Heifer
Sponsored by **Perry’s Quality Meats**

The **“Greenham Tasmania Junior Development Prize”**
will be awarded to
Highest Scoring pen of three entered by a person under 18 years

Hook classes will be slaughtered at Greenham Tasmania Pty Ltd abattoir at Smithton. Cost of transport of all entries from the Showground to the abattoir at Smithton will be met by Greenham Tasmania.

A new format for this year will combine the carcass presentations and an information seminar and BBQ sponsored by Greenham Tasmania, to be held at **5pm on Tuesday 11th January 2024** at the CH Community and Recreation Centre, Nelson Street, Smithton.

A detailed video presentation of the carcasses will be shown, along with judges' comments. There will be no access to the chiller at the Smithton plant as has occurred previously.

Further information: John Bruce 0428 140 811 or Milton de Jonge 0418 581 184.

The Circular Head Agricultural Society Inc. and the Trade and Export Cattle Competition Committee would like to thank the following sponsors:

<i>Greenham Tasmania Pty Ltd</i>	<i>Perry's Quality Meats</i>
<i>Gallagher</i>	<i>Western Plains Beef</i>
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<i>Nutrien Ag Solutions</i>	<i>Jaeger Electrical & Refrigeration</i>
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<i>Datamars</i>	<i>Red Angus Society Tasmania</i>
<i>Roxene Kingston</i>	

***NOTE:**

- Some breed societies have indicated they will pay special prize money if cattle of that breed or cross breed win particular Champion Classes.
- Grass-fed means cattle are reared on pasture, fodder crops, hay and silage as per normally accepted farming practices. Grain supplementing is not accepted.
- Cattle exhibited cannot have been shown at any other competition.