



164th MAITLAND SHOW 2026

“My Show – Making Memories”

13 - 14 - 15 February 2026



HORTICULTURE SCHEDULE

SECTION A: PRODUCE

(VEGETABLES, FRUIT, NUTS, HERBS, EGGS)



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General Information:

Entry Forms and Delivery Times

- Produce entries on-line until 6th February 2026 2pm.
- Produce entries and Entry Forms will be accepted on Thursday 12th February 2026 between 3pm & 8pm
- Produce entries will be accepted on Friday 13th February 2026 between 7am and 8am
- Download entry forms in 2026 Maitland Show Competitions, Horticulture
<https://maitlandshowground.com.au/msevents/maitland-show/competitions/>

Entry Fees \$2 per entry (cash or Eftpos) with completed entry form. No refunds are available.

Delivery Location George McDonald Pavilion, Maitland Showground (enter via Evans St Gate)

Collection Times Produce can be collected on Sunday 15 February 2026 between 2pm to 4.30pm. Please note: **Vehicles cannot enter the Showground before 4pm**

Chief Horticulture Steward Amorelle Dempster amorelle.dempster@gmail.com Mob: 0427 548886

Chief Produce Steward Anne Kelly annekelly@iinet.net.au Mob 0488 626295

Produce Steward Members of Slow Food Hunter Valley Inc

Judge Produce – Liam Dennis.

Assistant Judges Austin Breiner, Matthew Dennis

Judge Eggs- Brod Vallance

Judging Date & Time: **Friday 13th February 2026 at 9.30am**

SCALE OF POINTS FOR MOST SUCCESSFUL EXHIBITORS

First	3 points
Second	2 points
Third	1 point

Note: EACH EXHIBIT MUST BE THE WORK OF, GROWN OR RAISED BY THE EXHIBITOR.



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PRIZES

Prize Cards 1st, 2nd & 3rd in each class will be awarded cards.

Ribbon + Voucher from Flower Power

\$100 voucher Most Successful Exhibitor Overall from points received
\$50 voucher Champion Vegetables, Fruit & Eggs Exhibit (Judges Choice)
\$25 voucher Champion Egg Exhibit (Judges Choice)
\$50 voucher Champion Biggest Pumpkin (circumference)
\$25 voucher Champion Beans/Pulses dried (Judges Choice)
\$25 voucher Champion Heaviest Pumpkin

Ribbon only Most successful exhibitor in each Section

Zero Tolerance to Abuse

Aggressive behaviour and any form of verbal or physical abuse towards any person including staff, members, volunteers, competitors or guests will not be tolerated on the Maitland Showground at any time

Anyone engaging in inappropriate behaviour at the Maitland Showground will be asked to change their behaviour, issued a formal warning, removed from the grounds or barred from entering the grounds in the future.

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And donations for the horticulture competition from:

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CATEGORY

SECTION 1 - VEGETABLES

CLASSES

7000 **Pumpkins/ Squash Moschata** includes but is not limited to the following varieties Black Futsu, Butternut, Gramma, Kent, Mosquee De Provence. Tromboncino, Wrinkled Butternut

7001 **Pumpkins / Squash Maxima**, includes but is not limited to the following varieties Anna Swartz, Australian Butter, Blue Ballet, Buttercup, Galeaux D'Eysines, Golden Nugget, Ironbark, Kuri Red/baby Red Hubbard, Monkey's Bum -Maitland Blue Variety, QLD Blue, QLD Blue Torpedo, QLD Blue, Rouge Vit D'Etampes, Triamble, Turks Turban

7002 **Pumpkins / Squash Pepo**, includes, but is not limited to the following varieties Pimply Squash, Small Sugar Pumpkin, Stygian Hull-less – Pepita, Table Queen, Wee Little B

7003 **Any other pumpkin, Mixta/Argyrosperma** includes, but is not limited to the following varieties, Cushaw

7004 **Biggest Pumpkin**, any variety (circumference)

7005 **Melons**, includes but is not limited to the following varieties, Moon & stars watermelon, Sugar baby watermelon, Warpaint or crimson sweet watermelon, Rockmelon, Honey dew melon, Melon – any other variety

7006 **Heaviest Melon** (by weight)

7007 **Zucchini**, any variety, 3 of the same

7008 **Zucchini selection**, 1 of each variety, max 3 varieties

7009 **Cucumber** – any variety, 3 of the same

Tomatoes & Eggplants

7010 Truss tomatoes, minimum 3 tomatoes on each truss

7011 Cherry tomato-minimum 10 of same variety

7012 Heirloom/heritage tomatoes of same variety-minimum 3

7013 Tomatoes selection – 1 of each variety – max 3 varieties

7014 Eggplant-minimum 3 of same variety

7015 Eggplant selection, 1 of each, minimum 2 varieties

Capsicum & Chillies

7016 Capsicum-minimum 3 of same variety

7017 Capsicum selection – 1 of each, minimum 2 varieties

7018 Chillies – minimum 10 of same variety

7019 Chillies selection – 3 of each minimum 2 varieties

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Corn

- 7020 Sweetcorn-minimum 3 cobs of same variety
- 7021 Multicoloured corn-minimum 3 cobs

Beans

- 7022 Climbing bean, minimum 10 of the same variety
- 7023 Bush bean, minimum 10 of the same variety
- 7024 Fresh bean selection, 5 of each, minimum 3 varieties.
- 7025 Dried beans, minimum 10 of the same variety
- 7026 Dried beans selection, 5 of each, minimum of 3 varieties, displayed by entrant on A5 cardboard

Garlic, Leeks & Onions

- 7027 Garlic-plait - minimum 5 bulbs
- 7028 Garlic-3 bulbs of same variety
- 7029 Garlic selection, 1 of each, minimum 1 variety
- 7030 Green onion, spring onion or green shallot-bunch of 3
- 7031 Brown onion - 3 of same variety
- 7032 Onion selection, 1 of each, minimum 3 varieties

Leafy Greens & Salad Greens

- 7033 Any Asian green- minimum of 3 of any variety
- 7034 Silver beet or ruby/rainbow chard – bunch of minimum 5 stalks
- 7035 Display of mixed salad vegetables in own container
- 7036 Basket of native vegetables, fruits and herbs
- 7037 Any other leafy green vegetable not mentioned above

Herbs

- 7038 Bunch of herbs – min 4 varieties, stems in water in own jar
- 7039 Bunch of Asian herbs -in water in own jar
- 7040 Bunch of native herbs - in water in own jar

Root Vegetables

- 7041 Carrot-bunch of 3 of same variety
- 7042 Carrot – bunch of mixed varieties/colours, minimum 3 varieties
- 7043 Potatoes, minimum 3 of the same variety
- 7044 Potato selection, 2 of each, minimum 3 varieties
- 7045 Beetroot – Bunch of 3
- 7046 Beetroot selection, 2 of each, minimum 2 varieties
- 7047 Any other root vegetable not mentioned above



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SECTION 2 – FRUITS & NUTS

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- 7048 Citrus fruit-minimum 3 of same variety
- 7049 Any other fruit. Minimum 3 of same variety
- 7050 Native Australian fruit – minimum of 3 of same variety
- 7051 Australian macadamia nuts-minimum 6
- 7052 Any other nut, 3 of the same variety

Section 3 - EGGS

CLASSES

- 7053 Egg-12 white eggs in carton
- 7054 Egg-12 brown eggs in carton
- 7055 Egg-12 mixed eggs in carton
- 7056 Egg- 12 bantam eggs in a box
- 7057 Egg- 6 duck eggs in a box
- 7058 Egg- at least 12 mixed quail eggs in a box
- 7059 Egg- 6 of any other variety

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