



# Media Release

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## Queensland's cheerio champions and kabana kings crowned

For the first time, the Royal Queensland Food and Wine Show (RQFWS) teamed up with the Australian Meat Industry Council (AMIC) to bring the 2013 Ham, Bacon and Smallgoods Competition in Brisbane on Saturday.

Queensland's great independent local butchers were on display as a panel of industry judges worked their way through the seven competition categories – leg ham on the bone, boneless leg ham, cooked corned silverside, bacon rashers, pre-cooked sausage, kabana and cheerios.

After hours of rigorous judging Master Meats (Tewantin), Circle T Meats (Raceview), Westridge Meats (Toowoomba), Gray's Modern Meat Mart (Toowoomba), Elite Meats (Boonah) and Schulte's Meat Tavern (Plainland) walked away with the champion titles in their categories.

Competition organiser and AMIC representative Gail Butler said the competition is unique to Queensland butchers.

"The Ham, Bacon and Smallgoods Competition is a great platform for our state's butchers to showcase their products and their talent to industry and the public," she said.

"Ham, bacon and cooked meat were graded on appearance, colour, texture, aroma and taste, and the judging panel, led by Allan Rowan from Bunzl Food Processors, were very impressed with the standard of entries in this year's competition.

"They had their hands full with 28 hams on the bone, 23 boneless hams, 10 cooked corned silversides, 23 middle rashers of bacon, 28 pre-cooked sausages, 21 cheerios and 21 kabanas on the 'menu'."

AMIC has been running the competition for more than 20 years with cheerios and kabana added to the line-up for the first time this year.

Dedicated to unearthing Australia's best food and wine, the RQFWS includes nine competitions – cheese and dairy produce, ice-cream, gelato and sorbet, branded lamb, branded beef, wine, sausages, beer and cider, chocolate and smallgoods.

A formal awards presentation for the Ham, Bacon and Smallgoods Competition will be held at the AMIC Meat Industry Awards Dinner at the Hilton Hotel on October 26, 2013.

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## FULL LIST OF RESULTS:

- Leg Ham On The Bone:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> place: Master Meats, Tewantin
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> place: Westridge Meats, Toowoomba
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> place: Gray's Modern Meat Mart, Toowoomba
- Boneless Leg Ham:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> place: Circle T Meats, Raceview
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> place: Wavell Heights Quality Meats, Wavell Heights
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> place: Carey Bros, Warwick
- Cooked Corned Silverside:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> place: Westridge Meats, Toowoomba
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> place: Master Meats, Tewantin
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> place: Cotton Tree Meats, Maroochydore
- Bacon Rashers:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> place: Gray's Modern Meat Mart, Toowoomba
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> place: Schulte's Meat Tavern, Plainland
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> place: Elite Meats, Boonah
- Pre-cooked Sausage:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> place: Elite Meats, Boonah
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> place: Meat City, Morayfield
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> place: Terry Orreal's Quality Meats, Brendale
- Kabana:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> place: Schulte's Meat Tavern, Plainland
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> place: Master Meats, Tewantin
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> place: Gray's Modern Meat Mart, Toowoomba
- Cheerios:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> place: Westridge Meats, Toowoomba
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> place: Carey Bros, Warwick
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> place: Salms Meats, Carindale

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