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SPOTLIGHT**Rules and Regulations**

1. **THE EXHIBIT TO BE AN ARTICLE OF HAND EMBROIDERY ANY TYPE, EXCLUDING CROSS STITCH.**
2. Each exhibit entered must be the bona fide work of the exhibitor.
3. **Professionals are not eligible**, which is defined as someone that works professionally or derives the greater percentage of their income in that craft, art form or technique.
4. All work is to have been completed in the last twelve (12) months prior to its entry at a local Show.
5. The competition follows the three levels of competition: Show Level, Group Level and State Level.
6. An exhibit having won at a Show will compete at the 2027 Group Final. The winning exhibit at the Group Final will then compete in the State Final at the 2027 Melbourne Royal Show.
7. An exhibitor having won at Show Level is not eligible to enter the VAS Embroidery competition at any other Show until after the Group Final judging.
8. An exhibitor is only eligible to represent one Group in the State Final.
9. If for any reason a winner is unable to compete at Group or State Final Level, then the second placegetter is eligible to compete.
10. An exhibit having won at State Final is no longer eligible to compete in the competition.
11. If an exhibitor is found to have won more than one Group Final the exhibitor must forfeit/refund all prizes and will be disqualified from exhibiting for 12 months.

State Final Prizes:**First:** Voucher & VAS State Final Trophy**Second:** Voucher**Third:** Voucher

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1. **THE EXHIBIT TO BE AN ARTICLE OF CROSS STITCH ANY TYPE UP TO 60CMS ON ALL SIDES INCLUDING FRAME. MINIMAL EMBELLISHMENTS ALLOWED.**
2. Each exhibit entered must be the bona fide work of the exhibitor.
3. **Professionals are not eligible**, which is defined as someone that works professionally or derives the greater percentage of their income in that craft, art form or technique.
4. All work is to have been completed in the last twelve (12) months prior to its entry at a local Show.
5. The competition follows the three levels of competition: Show Level, Group Level and State Level.
6. An exhibit having won at a Show will compete at the 2027 Group Final. The winning exhibit at the Group Final will then compete in the State Final at the 2027 Melbourne Royal Show.
7. An exhibitor having won at Show Level is not eligible to enter the VAS Cross Stitch competition at any other Show until after the Group Final judging.
8. An exhibitor is only eligible to represent one Group in the State Final.
9. If for any reason a winner is unable to compete at Group or State Final Level, then the second placegetter is eligible to compete.
10. An exhibit having won at State Final is no longer eligible to compete in the competition.
11. If an exhibitor is found to have won more than one Group Final the exhibitor must forfeit/refund all prizes and will be disqualified from exhibiting for 12 months.

State Final Prizes:

First: Voucher & VAS State Final Trophy

Second: Voucher

Third: Voucher



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1. **THE EXHIBIT IS TO BE NO LARGER THAN 90CM x 125CM.**
2. Machine/hand pieced and quilted by exhibitor only.
3. Minimal Embellishments. Small amount only, not to overpower patchwork.
4. Each exhibit entered must be the bona fide work of the exhibitor.
5. **Professionals are not eligible**, which is defined as someone that works professionally or derives the greater percentage of their income in that craft, art form or technique.
6. All work is to have been completed in the last twelve (12) months prior to its entry at a local Show.
7. The competition follows the three levels of competition: Show Level, Group Level and State Level.
8. An exhibit having won at a Show will compete at the 2027 Group Final. The winning exhibit at the Group Final will then compete in the State Final at the 2027 Melbourne Royal Show.
9. An exhibitor having won at Show Level is not eligible to enter the VAS Patchwork competition at any other Show until after the Group Final judging.
10. An exhibitor is only eligible to represent one Group in the State Final.
11. If for any reason a winner is unable to compete at Group or State Final Level, then the second placegetter is eligible to compete.
12. An exhibit having won at State Final is no longer eligible to compete in the competition.
13. If an exhibitor is found to have won more than one Group Final the exhibitor must forfeit/refund all prizes and will be disqualified from exhibiting for 12 months.

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1. **A HAND KNITTED ITEM NOT MORE THAN 150CMS ON ANY ONE SIDE**
2. Knitted in one piece incorporating at least 5 different patterns.
3. Each exhibit must be made from pure wool/wool blend of any ply.
4. Exhibitor to attach label from wool used.
5. Each exhibit entered must be the bona fide work of the exhibitor.
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7. All work is to have been completed in the last twelve (12) months prior to its entry at a local Show.
8. The competition follows the three levels of competition: Show Level, Group Level and State Level.
9. An exhibit having won at a Show will compete at the 2027 Group Final. The winning exhibit at the Group Final will then compete in the State Final at the 2027 Melbourne Royal Show.
10. An exhibitor having won at Show Level is not eligible to enter the VAS Knitting competition at any other Show until after the Group Final judging.
11. An exhibitor is only eligible to represent one Group in the State Final.
12. If for any reason a winner is unable to compete at Group or State Final Level, then the second placegetter is eligible to compete.
13. An exhibit having won at State Final is no longer eligible to compete in the competition.
14. If an exhibitor is found to have won more than one Group Final the exhibitor must forfeit/refund all prizes and will be disqualified from exhibiting for 12 months.

State Final Prizes:

First: Voucher & VAS State Final Trophy

Second: Voucher

Third: Voucher



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1. **CROCHETED ANIMAL NO LARGER THAN 30CM X 30CM X 30CM MADE FROM PURE WOOL/ WOOL BLEND OR COTTON OF ANY PLY.**
2. Embroidered or crocheted embellishments are allowed.
3. No buttons or loose items as crocheted item must be safe for children.
4. Exhibitor to attach label from wool/cotton used.
5. Each exhibit entered must be the bona fide work of the exhibitor.
6. **Professionals are not eligible**, which is defined as someone that works professionally or derives the greater percentage of their income in that craft, art form or technique.
7. All work is to have been completed in the last twelve (12) months prior to its entry at a local Show.
8. The competition follows the three levels of competition: Show Level, Group Level and State Level.
9. An exhibit having won at a Show will compete at the 2027 Group Final. The winning exhibit at the Group Final will then compete in the State Final at the 2027 Melbourne Royal Show.
10. An exhibitor having won at Show Level is not eligible to enter the VAS Crochet competition at any other Show until after the Group Final judging.
11. An exhibitor is only eligible to represent one Group in the State Final.
12. If for any reason a winner is unable to compete at Group or State Final Level, then the second placegetter is eligible to compete.
13. An exhibit having won at State Final is no longer eligible to compete in the competition.
14. If an exhibitor is found to have won more than one Group Final the exhibitor must forfeit/refund all prizes and will be disqualified from exhibiting for 12 months.

State Final Prizes:

First: Voucher & VAS State Final Trophy

Second: Voucher

Third: Voucher



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1. EVERYDAY WEARABLE DRESS FOR AN ADULT OR CHILD

2. Dress should be part or fully lined. Lining can include facing. Machine sewn & may be hand finished, embellishments allowed.
3. Knitted/Crocheted items not acceptable.
4. Dress to be judged on 50% presentation & 50% workmanship.
5. Each exhibit entered must be the bona fide work of the exhibitor.
6. **Professionals are not eligible**, which is defined as someone that works professionally or derives the greater percentage of their income in that craft, art form or technique.
7. All work is to have been completed in the last twelve (12) months prior to its entry at a local Show.
8. The competition follows the three levels of competition: Show Level, Group Level and State Level.
9. An exhibit having won at a Show will compete at the 2027 Group Final. The winning exhibit at the Group Final will then compete in the State Final at the 2027 Melbourne Royal Show.
10. An exhibitor having won at Show Level is not eligible to enter the VAS Sewing Competition at any other Show until after the Group Final judging.
11. An exhibitor is only eligible to represent one Group in the State Final.
12. If for any reason a winner is unable to compete at Group or State Final Level, then the second placegetter is eligible to compete.
13. An exhibit having won at State Final is no longer eligible to compete in the competition.
14. If an exhibitor is found to have won more than one Group Final the exhibitor must forfeit/refund all prizes and will be disqualified from exhibiting for 12 months.

State Final Prizes:

First: Voucher & VAS State Final Trophy

Second: Voucher

Third: Voucher



Rules and Regulations

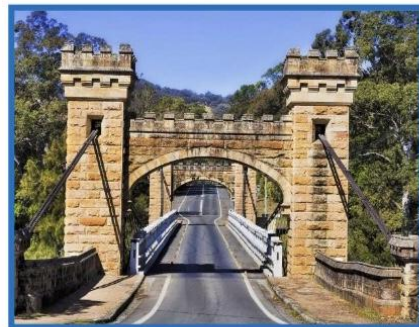
1. **ARCHITECTURE (Bridge, Building or Structure in Australia)**
2. Unframed.
3. Print no larger than 8" X 12" or 20cm by 30cm.
4. Must be mounted on thick card (mount no larger than 3cm).
5. Each exhibit entered must be the bona fide work of the exhibitor.
6. **Professionals are not eligible**, which is defined as someone that works professionally or derives the greater percentage of their income in that craft, art form or technique.
7. All work is to have been completed in the last twelve (12) months prior to its entry at a local Show.
8. The competition follows the three levels of competition: Show Level, Group Level and State Level.
9. An exhibit having won at a Show will compete at the 2027 Group Final. The winning exhibit at the Group Final will then compete in the State Final at the 2027 Melbourne Royal Show.
10. An exhibitor having won at Show Level is not eligible to enter the VAS Photography competition at any other Show until after the Group Final judging.
11. An exhibitor is only eligible to represent one Group in the State Final.
12. If for any reason a winner is unable to compete at Group or State Final Level, then the second placegetter is eligible to compete.
13. An exhibit having won at State Final is no longer eligible to compete in the competition.
14. If an exhibitor is found to have won more than one Group Final the exhibitor must forfeit/refund all prizes and will be disqualified from exhibiting for 12 months.

State Final Prizes:

First Prize: \$70.00 Prizemoney & VAS State Final Trophy

Second Prize: \$20.00 Prizemoney

Third Prize: \$10.00 Prizemoney





Rules and Regulations

1. **ARCHITECTURE (Bridge, Building or Structure in Australia).**
2. Exhibitors to be aged under 18 years on the day of their Local Show.
3. Unframed.
4. Print no larger than 8" X 12" or 20cm by 30cm.
5. Must be mounted on thick card (mount no larger than 3cm).
6. **Professionals are not eligible**, which is defined as someone that works professionally or derives the greater percentage of their income in that craft, art form or technique.
7. Each exhibit entered must be the bona fide work of the exhibitor.
8. All work is to have been completed in the last twelve (12) months prior to its entry at a local Show.
9. The competition follows the three levels of competition: Show Level, Group Level and State Level.
10. An exhibit having won at a Show will compete at the 2027 Group Final. The winning exhibit at the Group Final will then compete in the State Final at the 2027 Melbourne Royal Show.
11. An exhibitor having won at Show Level is not eligible to enter the VAS Junior Photography competition at any other Show until after the Group Final judging.
12. An exhibitor is only eligible to represent one Group in the State Final.
13. If for any reason a winner is unable to compete at Group or State Final Level, then the second placegetter is eligible to compete.
14. An exhibit having won at State Final is no longer eligible to compete in the competition.
15. If an exhibitor is found to have won more than one Group Final the exhibitor must forfeit/refund all prizes and will be disqualified from exhibiting for 12 months.

State Final Prizes:

First Prize: \$30.00 Prizemoney & VAS State Final Trophy

Second Prize: \$15.00 Prizemoney

Third Prize: \$10.00 Prizemoney



VAS Ltd Rich Fruit Cake

Open to all fruit cake enthusiasts

Rules and Regulations

1. The entrant must follow the recipe and specifications provided below.
2. Each cake entered must be the bona fide work of the exhibitor.
3. **Professionals are not eligible**, which is defined as someone that works professionally or derives the greater percentage of their income in that craft, art form or technique.
4. The Rich Fruit Cake competition follows the three levels of competition: Show Level, Group Level and State Level.
5. An exhibitor having won at their local Show will bake another cake for the 2027 Group Final and then the winner of the Group Final will bake another cake for the State Final at the 2027 Melbourne Royal Show.
6. An exhibitor having won at Show Level is not eligible to enter the VAS Rich Fruit Cake Competition at any other show until after the Group Final judging.
7. An exhibitor is only eligible to represent one Group in the State Final.
8. If for any reason a winner is unable to compete at Group or State Final Level, then the second placegetter is eligible to compete.
9. If an exhibitor is found to have won more than one Group Final the exhibitor must forfeit/refund all prizes and will be disqualified from exhibiting for 12 months.
10. The State Final prizes are:
 - First:** Voucher & VAS State Final Trophy
 - Second:** Voucher
 - Third:** Voucher

Recipe

Ingredients – Preferred 100% Australian Grown Produce

- 250g sultanas
- 250g chopped raisins
- 250g currants
- 125g chopped mixed peel
- 90g chopped red glace cherries
- 90g chopped blanched almonds
- 1/3 cup sherry or brandy
- 250g plain flour
- 60g self-raising flour
- 1/4 teaspoon grated nutmeg
- 1/2 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cloves
- 250g butter
- 250g soft brown sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon lemon essence OR finely grated lemon rind
- 1/2 teaspoon almond essence
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla essence
- 4 large eggs

Method

Cut the fruit & almonds into 3-4 pieces and mix together all the fruits and nuts and sprinkle with the sherry or brandy. Cover and leave for at least 1 hour, but preferably overnight.

Sift together the flours and spices. Cream together the butter and sugar with the essences. Add the eggs one at a time, beating well after each addition, and then alternately add the fruit and flour mixtures. Mix thoroughly. The mixture should be stiff enough to support a wooden spoon.

Place the mixture into a prepared tin **20 cm square, straight sided, square cornered tin** and bake in a slow oven for approximately 3½ - 4 hours. Allow the cake to cool in the tin.



Open to junior bakers under 18 years on the day of their Local Show

Rules and Regulations

1. The entrant must follow the recipe and specifications provided below.
2. The entrant must be under 18 years on the day of their local Show.
3. Each cake entered must be the bona fide work of the exhibitor.
4. **Professionals are not eligible**, which is defined as someone that works professionally or derives the greater percentage of their income in that craft, art form or technique.
5. The Junior Boiled Fruit Cake competition follows the three levels of competition: Show Level, Group Level and State Level.
6. An exhibitor having won at their Local Show will bake another cake for the 2027 Group Final and then the winner of the Group Final will bake another cake for the State Final at the 2027 Melbourne Royal Show.
7. An exhibitor having won at Show Level is not eligible to enter the VAS Junior Boiled Fruit Cake Competition at any other show until after the Group Final judging.
8. An exhibitor is only eligible to represent one Group in the State Final.
9. If for any reason a winner is unable to compete at Group or State Final Level, then the second placegetter is eligible to compete.
10. If an exhibitor is found to have won more than one Group Final the exhibitor must forfeit/refund all prizes and will be disqualified from exhibiting for 12 months.
11. The State Final prizes are:
First: Voucher & VAS State Final Trophy
Second: Voucher
Third: Voucher

Recipe

Ingredients - Preferred 100% Australian Grown Produce

- 375g mixed fruit
- ¾ cup brown sugar
- 1 teaspoon mixed spice
- ½ cup water
- 125g butter
- ½ teaspoon bicarbonate soda
- ½ cup sherry
- 2 eggs, lightly beaten
- 2 tablespoons marmalade
- 1 cup self-raising flour
- 1 cup plain flour
- ¼ teaspoon salt

Method

Place the mixed fruit, sugar, spice, water and butter in a large saucepan and bring to the boil.

Simmer gently for 3 minutes, then remove from stove, add bicarbonate soda and allow to cool. Add the sherry, eggs and marmalade, mixing well. *Tip: Do not overmix the mixture.*

Fold in the sifted dry ingredients then place in a greased and lined **20cm round cake tin**.

Bake in a moderately slow oven for 1.5 hours or until cooked when tested.



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Open to all carrot cake enthusiasts



Rules and Regulations

1. The entrant must follow the recipe and specifications provided below.
2. Each cake entered must be the bona fide work of the exhibitor.
3. **Professionals are not eligible**, which is defined as someone that works professionally or derives the greater percentage of their income in that craft, art form or technique.
4. The carrot cake competition follows the three levels of competition: Show Level, Group Level and State Level.
5. An exhibitor having won at their Local Show will bake another cake for the 2027 Group Final and then the winner of the Group Final will bake another cake for the 2027 State Final at the Annual VAS Ltd Convention.
6. An exhibitor having won at Show Level is not eligible to enter the VAS Carrot Cake Competition at any other show until after the Group Final judging.
7. An exhibitor is only eligible to represent one Group in the State Final.
8. If for any reason a winner is unable to compete at Group or State Final Level, then the second placegetter is eligible to compete.
9. If an exhibitor is found to have won more than one Group Final the exhibitor must forfeit/refund all prizes and will be disqualified from exhibiting for 12 months.
10. The State Final prizes are:

First: \$250.00 Prizemoney & VAS State Final Trophy

Second: \$100.00 Prizemoney

Third: \$50.00 Prizemoney

Recipe

Ingredients

- 375g plain flour
- 2tsp baking powder
- 1 ½ tsp bicarb soda
- 2tsp ground cinnamon
- ½ tsp ground nutmeg
- ½ tsp allspice
- Pinch of salt
- 345g castor sugar
- 350ml vegetable oil
- 4 eggs
- 3 medium carrots, grated (350 grams)
- 220g tin crushed pineapple, drained
- 180g pecan nuts coarsely crushed



Method

1. Preheat the oven to 180C (160C fan), Grease a 23cm (9 inch) round cake tin and line with baking paper.
2. Sift the dry ingredients together into a bowl. In a separate bowl, beat the eggs and oil, then add to the dry ingredients. Mix well then add the carrots, crushed pineapple and pecans. Mix to form a smooth batter and pour into the cake tin.
3. Bake for approximately 90 - 100 minutes.
4. Remove from the oven and allow to cool for 10 minutes in the tin on a wire rack. Upend and allow to cool on the wire rack.

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Open to junior bakers under 18 years on the day
of their Local Show



Rules and Regulations

1. The entrant must follow the recipe and specifications provided below.
2. The entrant must be under 18 years on the day of their Local Show.
3. Each exhibit entered must be the bona fide work of the exhibitor.
4. **Professionals are not eligible**, which is defined as someone that works professionally or derives the greater percentage of their income in that craft, art form or technique.
5. The Junior Carrot & Sultana Muffins competition follows the three levels of competition: Show Level, Group Level and State Level.
6. An exhibitor having won at their Local Show will bake another set of muffins for the 2027 Group Final and then the winner of the Group Final will bake another set of muffins for the 2027 State Final at Annual VAS Ltd Convention.
7. An exhibitor having won at Show Level is not eligible to enter the VAS Junior Carrot & Sultana Muffins Competition at any other show until after the Group Final judging.
8. An exhibitor is only eligible to represent one Group in the State Final.
9. If for any reason a winner is unable to compete at Group or State Final Level, then the second placegetter is eligible to compete.
10. If an exhibitor is found to have won more than one Group Final the exhibitor must forfeit/refund all prizes and will be disqualified from exhibiting for 12 months.
11. The State Final prizes are:

First: \$250.00 Prizemoney & VAS State Final Trophy

Second: \$100.00 Prizemoney

Third: \$50.00 Prizemoney

Recipe

Ingredients

- 2 ½ cups self-raising flour
- 1 tsp ground cinnamon
- ¼ tsp ground nutmeg
- 1 cup brown sugar (firmly packed)
- 1/3 cup chopped in ½ Sultanas
- 1 cup coarsely grated carrot
- 1 tbsp orange marmalade
- 1 cup canola oil
- 2 eggs, lightly beaten
- ¾ cup orange juice
- 1 cup reduced fat milk



Method

1. Pre-heat oven to 190C (moderately hot).
2. Line a 12-hole muffin pan with round paper muffin cases - Classic white muffin case size can vary between (30mm – 40mm Height x 70mm - 80mm Wide x 45mm – 55mm Base).
3. Sift dry ingredients into a large bowl, stir in sultanas and carrots. Then add the combined marmalade, oil, eggs, juice and milk. Mix until just combined.
4. Spoon mixture evenly into muffin paper cases in muffin pan.
5. Cook for 20 minutes. To test if muffins are cooked insert cake skewer, if it comes out clean the muffins are ready.
6. Stand muffins in pan for 5 minutes before removing to cool.
7. Show Entries: Four (4) muffins per paper plate.