

Honey competition schedule

GENERAL INFORMATION:

Entry Forms: Please complete your entry form, and make payment on delivery.

Entry Fees: All Section \$4 per entry no maximum limit per class

No refunds are available.

No late entries will be accepted.

Entry Delivery Times: Saturday 11 October 2025

8.00am.to 9.00am

Delivery Location: Tocal College 815 Tocal Road PATERSON NSW 2421

Collection Times: After 3.00pm on the day

Items not collected will be donated to The Coast Shelter

Chief Steward: Max Rae Enquiries: 0424168590

Judging: Judging is closed to exhibitors.

The Judges' decision in all sections are final.

Prizes: Sections 1-10

1st prize \$10.00 and ribbon

2nd prize \$5.00 and ribbon

School Category

Section 1-9

1st prize \$10.00 and ribbon

2nd prize \$5.00 and ribbon

Exhibitor Number Labels: An Exhibitor Number label will be provided at delivery time.

Entry / Exhibit Requirements

- Exhibitors can enter multiple times in any classes
- Exhibits must be the bona fide production of the exhibitor's apiary.
- Exhibits that fail to meet the requirements of any class will judged accordingly



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COMPETITION SECTIONS

Exhibits in sections 1,2,3,4,6,10 must be presented for judging in a standard 500g/375ml round glass jar with a white 63mm plastic or metal lid. (Not tamper proof)

1) LIQUID HONEY

- a. Light Colour
- b. Medium Colour-
- c. Dark Colour
- 2) CANDIED HONEY
- 3) CREAMED HONEY
- 4) **FLOWFRAME HONEY -** Honey extracted from a flowframe (all colours will be judged together)
- 5) **NATIVE BEE HONEY -** Liquid honey extracted from a native beehive. Exhibits must be in a minimum 50g glass jar .
- 6) **CHUNK HONEY -** Liquid honey containing a piece of comb honey of the same source. (measuring at least 40mm by 110mm)
- 7) **FRAME OF HONEY -** any size frame including Warre and Top Bar. No Plastic foundation, no sealed brood, no pollen, no dripping honey. NO decorative edging. Presented in a suitable sealed display case.
- 8) **NATURAL BEESWAX -** Beeswax Block weight requirement. **500g to 1kg** block. Shape to be square, round, or rectangular.
- 9) **CANDLES -** Dipped, molded or rolled made from natural beeswax. Candles will be burnt for 1 hour.
- 10) **POLLEN -** Exhibits must be presented for judging in a standard 500g/375ml round glass jar with a white 63mm plastic or metal lid. (Not tamper proof)
- 11) **MEAD -** Exhibits must be presented for judging in a 375ml glass bottle with a **resealable cap**
 - a) Traditional
 - b) Spiced
 - c) Fruit (please specify)
- 12) **SCHOOL CATEGORY -** Items 1-10



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JUDGING CRITERIA DEFINITIONS:

Flavour – the initial taste, secondary taste, and any lingering mouthfeel.

Aroma – the scent imparted immediately and soon after opening the jar. Smells of mould and fermentation are undesirable.

Clearness— a measure of contamination from, but not limited to, pollen, dirt, tree bark or propolis.

Density – moisture conten - the thicker, the more points scored.

Brightness - a clarity and colour judgement based in the class.

Scoring as per National Honey competition criteria -RAS 2025 Class 40 refers to Flowframe honey which is not judged on colour.

Liquid Honey (excluding Native and Class 40)	Points
Flavour	25
Density	25
Colour	25
Aroma	10
Clearness	10
Brightness	5
Total Points	100

Liquid Honey (Class 40)	Points
Flavour	35
Density	35
Aroma	15
Clearness	10
Brightness	5
Total Points	100

Liquid Honey (Native)	Points
Flavour	30
Aroma	25
Clarity	25
Density	15
Brightness	5
Total Points	100

Creamed & Natural Granulation Honey	Points
Evenness of Grain	30
Flavour	30
Firmness	30
Colour	10
Total Points	100



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Comb Honey	Points
Fullness	30
Colour of Cappings	30
Evenness	20
General Appearance	20
Total Points	100

Chunk Honey	Points
Colour	30
Comb Appearance	30
Flavour	30
Clearness	10
Total Points	100

Beeswax	Points
Colour	35
Clearness	25
General Appearance	30
Aroma	10
Total Points	100

Pollen	Points
Taste	25
Cleanliness	25
Hardness	20
General Appearance	30
Total Points	100

Candles	Points
Appearance	25
Burn Response & Wick	35
Feel	10
Ease of Lighting	10
Cleanliness	20
Total Points	100

Mead	Points
Flavour	50
Aroma	20
Appearance	20
Mouthfeel	10
Total Points	100