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NOOSA SHOW COMMITTEE ATTEND QLD SHOWS COVID-19 WORKSHOP

Like most other Agricultural Shows last year, the 2020 Noosa Country Show (run by the Noosa A.H. &.I. Society) was cancelled due to concerns over the spread of COVID-19 and associated social distancing regulations. While many entrants, competitors, and exhibitors, along with the public were disappointed with this decision, the safety of the broad Noosa community had to come first.

Looking ahead to this year's Show, several Members of the Society attended a "QLD Shows Covid Workshop" presented by Trevor Beckingham General Manager of Queensland Ag Shows. The workshop explained the requirements for holding a 2021 Noosa Country Show in a Covid-safe way, and detailed the many operational changes that need to be in place for this event.

"Foot traffic flow, ticketing, and food service were among the main areas that need to be addressed, along with hand sanitisation stations, and having COVID Marshall's monitoring these areas," said Society President, Charlie Pattison. "Preparation, tasting, and judging of food competition categories will also need to be reworked in order to comply with the new guidelines."

In order for the 2021 Noosa Show to operate under these guidelines, the Society's committee is putting the word out for more members, volunteers to help on Show days.

"We would love to welcome new members from all over the Noosa Shire to help us to continue the Show's great traditions in our area," said Mr Pattison. "Our theme for the Show is 'Where Town Meets Country' and having members from the Noosa, Tewantin and eastern beaches will complement our existing hinterland members - of whom we would like more as well."

"Every person has a skill that can be used to help make our Show a success this year, from logistics to judging and food prep - and we really need those skills now in our 6 month lead up to the Show."

Mr Pattison said that his committee will be identifying areas of particular need and will announce these in coming weeks.

In the meantime, enquiries about how you can help can be made by contacting the Society's Administration Officer, Carole, on 0490 254 652 or at administrationofficer@noosashowsociety.org.au

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