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Australia's best beers set to be crowned

TOMORROW – After two days of judging a record number of entries, the nation's best beers will be crowned at the prestigious Royal Queensland Food & Wine Show (RQFWS) Beer Awards at the Brisbane Showgrounds.

With the growth of the Australian beer industry, this year brewers have gone 'ale' out to win the awards, entering an unusual array of flavours and ingredients.

The Grand Champion Beer brewery will be awarded a \$5,000 Lion bursary. The funds can be used for travel and training, to further their knowledge and help advance the Australian beer industry.

RQFWS Beer Advisory Group member and judge Chris Sheehan said almost 40 judges including brewers, beer writers and industry figures have enjoyed tasting more than 570 entries from 76 breweries – a record for the competition.

"The judging team has experienced an exceptional range of traditional and innovative beers, ales and lagers which all showcase the art and science of brewing," Mr Sheehan said.

"Despite several difficult years plagued by bushfires, COVID-19, and flooding, the RQFWS Beer Awards has continued to grow year-on-year and is now a stand-out national competition for the industry."

In addition to celebrating Australia's best beers, the awards also recognise new and emerging talent through the Treasury Brisbane Emerging Queensland Brewer award.

The winner of this award will receive a 12-month commercial contract to sell their brewery's beer at Treasury Brisbane's many restaurants and bars across Southeast Queensland.

Australia's best beer and trophy award winners will be awarded at a special presentation **TOMORROW** at the Royal International Convention Centre, Brisbane Showgrounds.

WHAT: RQFWS Beer Awards Presentation

WHEN: TOMORROW - Thursday 3 March (12.30pm to 2.30pm)

WHERE: Royal International Convention Centre, Brisbane Showgrounds.

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