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**Tablelands Regional Council &
Mareeba District Rodeo Association Inc**

present the

2008, 42nd Annual, Garden Competition

Total Prizemoney \$2000 plus sashes, prizes & trophies

The Garden Competition is conducted annually and is now open. We invite you to enter your garden. The competition covers gardens in the (former) Mareeba Shire. The intention is to encourage residents and business proprietors to take pride in their premises and streets. An eligible home garden is one in which a professional gardener is not employed (lawn mowing and digging are not considered professional gardening work). **Entries Close** Wednesday 2nd July at 5pm. There is no entry fee. **Judging** is from 8:00am Thursday 3rd July.

- Prizemoney each category totals \$150 – 1st \$75, 2nd \$45, 3rd \$30
- Sashes to third for each category



Sponsored By:

Tablelands Regional Council, Mareeba District Rodeo Assn, TGT Pty Ltd, Ballooning with Hot Air, Yuruga Nursery, Mitre 10, Tablelands Garden Expo Assn, Daisy Bell's Florist, Far North Qld Nurseryman's Assn, Anza Nursery, Peninsula Plants

Conditions of Entry – The judges' decision will be final and no discussion or correspondence will be entered into on the results of the competition. Judges may alter the categories of the entrant if they believe it may be to the advantage of the entrant.

Presentation Morning Tea hosted by the Tablelands Regional Council will be held on Monday 7th July, 10am at Mareeba Leagues Club. All entrants are invited to attend. Lucky Door Prize – Prize donated by Daisy Bell's Florist and \$50 Cash.

Tableland Garden Expo – Champion Garden and Native Garden winners are automatically entered into the Tablelands Garden Expo. Expo Judging will take place during September 2008, exact date to be advised. The Expo will be held on Saturday 13th & Sunday 14th September at the Malanda Showgrounds.

Hall of Fame – Any winner of a category for 3 years in a row will be inducted into the Hall of Fame. A Hall of Fame recipient may re-enter that category after an absence of 2 years. During this 2 year period, Hall of Fame winners may compete against each other in the Hall of Fame Category.

Champion of Champions – Any winner of the Champion Garden for 3 years in a row will receive a Champion of Champions award. This entrant then retires from the Champion Garden category.

What the Judges look for:

- A pleasing first impression, few or no weeds
- Presence, or lack of, diseases
- Compost bins should be screened or unobtrusive
- Paving, garden structures & furniture should complement not dominate
- Good planning in layout and selection of plants
- A tidy appearance all round, hoses put away
- Category 1 – the Front Garden & Footpath are judged from the front of house to the kerb
- All other categories – the whole garden is judged, excepting Outdoor Living Area and Vegetable Garden

Categories:

Home Gardens:

1. **Front Garden including Footpath** – quality appearance from the street including the footpath, any size garden/land
2. **Town Garden** – based on flowers & shrubs with colour from foliage & flowers, block of land size less than 4000m² (1 acre), i.e. land size 0 to 3999m²
3. **Rural Residential Garden**– based on trees, shrubs, foliage & flowers in a rural setting, block of land size 4000m² (1 acre) and over, i.e. 4000m² +
4. **Seniors (over 60 years) Garden** – a garden maintained by a senior based on trees, flowers, shrubs & colour, any size garden/land
5. **New Home Garden** – the home is not to be more than 3 years old, garden based on flowers & shrubs with colour from foliage & flowers, any size garden/land
6. **Outdoor Living Area** – a Patio or Outdoor Living Area that incorporates a garden or pot plants.
7. **Vegetable Garden** – growing vegetables for personal use, not for commercial sale, any size garden/land

Commercial Gardens:

8. **Commercial, Government or Public Garden, Vacant or Crown Land** – judged on general appearance from the street, design, layout, colour & neatness

Home or Commercial Gardens:

9. **Native Garden** – must meet the minimum requirement of 70% native plants, any size garden/land
10. **Most Colourful Garden** – colour from foliage, flowering plants and annuals, any size garden/land
11. **Hall of Fame** – for gardens that have won a Hall of Fame Award and are excluded from that particular category.
12. **Most Water-Wise Garden** – all gardens are automatically entered into this category, must show the wise & efficient use of water
13. **Encouragement Award** – Judges choice, selected from all gardens

Garden Entry Form

Please cut and post to PO Box 392 Mareeba or fax to 4092 1583 – before Wednesday 2 July

Owners Name: _____
Street Address: _____
Postal Address: _____
Contact Name: _____
Telephone: _____

I/we hereby enter the 2008 Mareeba Rodeo Garden Competition and agree to comply with the conditions of the competition.

Signature: _____

Please tick or circle the categories you wish to enter.

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| 1. Front Garden including Footpath | 7. Vegetable Garden |
| 2. Town Garden | 8. Commercial, Government or Public Garden, Vacant or Crown Land |
| 3. Rural Residential Garden | 9. Native Garden |
| 4. Seniors Garden | 10. Most Colourful Garden |
| 5. New Home Garden | 11. Hall of Fame |
| 6. Outdoor Living Area | |

RSVP for Presentation Morning Tea on Monday 7 July 10am at Mareeba Leagues Club

There will be (*please circle*) 0 1 2 persons attending the Morning Tea.