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## 2024 ENTRY FORM

ENTRANT NAME/S: ..... DOB: ...../...../..... (Required)

ADDRESS: .....

PHONE: ..... EMAIL: .....

TALENT QUEST SECTIONS		
<b>PEE WEE</b>		
(8 years and under) <span style="float: right;">place an X in the required section/s</span>		
Country Vocal	\$10.00	
<b>JUVENILE</b>		
(12 years and under) <span style="float: right;">place an X in the required section/s</span>		
Country Vocal	\$10.00	
Country Gospel	\$10.00	
Country Rock	\$10.00	
Australian Bush Ballad	\$10.00	
<b>JUNIOR</b>		
(17 years and under) <span style="float: right;">place an X in the required section/s</span>		
Country Vocal	\$10.00	
Country Gospel	\$10.00	
Country Rock	\$10.00	
Australian Bush Ballad	\$10.00	
<b>ADULT</b>		
(18 years and over) <span style="float: right;">place an X in the required section/s</span>		
Country Male Vocal	\$15.00	
Country Female Vocal	\$15.00	
Country Gospel	\$15.00	
Country Rock	\$15.00	
Australian Bush Ballad	\$15.00	
Golden Oldies (50 years+)	\$15.00	
<b>OPEN</b>		
(No age restrictions apply) <span style="float: right;">place an X in the required section</span>		
Open Country Duo/Group Act name:	\$25.00	
<b>ANYTHING BUT COUNTRY</b>		
(These sections DO NOT qualify for the finals and DO NOT count in the minimum 3 sections required to be eligible for the Finals) <span style="float: right;">place an X in the required section/s</span>		
Under 18 Anything But Country	\$10.00	
Adult Anything But Country	\$10.00	

**PAYMENTS AND ENTRY FORM MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE DUE DATE OR NOMINATION WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

**Payment can be made online:**

<https://www.trybooking.com/COHAD>

**Or direct deposit:**

**Account Name:** Charters Towers Country Music Inc.  
**BSB:** 654-000  
**Account Number:** 41425319

I hereby give my permission for my/my child's photograph, taken over the duration of the Charters Towers Country Music Festival 3 – 5 May 2024, to be used in media promotions on the official website, Facebook and for any other media purpose.

I have read and fully understand the Conditions of Entry and Rules of the Charters Towers Country Music Festival Talent Quest.

Name: ..... Signature: .....

**Entries Close Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> of April 2024**

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## CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

Entry is open to amateur competitors only. Amateur is defined as being one who engages in an activity for pleasure and experience and does not receive financial gain for their craft. Contact the Committee for clarification.

- Nominations must be accompanied by entry fee and be received by **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> of April 2024**.
- Age restrictions are dependent on competitor's age at the start of the Festival:
  - Pee Wee – 8 years and under
  - Juvenile - 12 years and under
  - Junior - 17 years and under
  - Adult - 18 and over
  - Golden Oldies - 50 years and over
  - Open - all age groups
- ALL MATERIAL PERFORMED MUST BE COUNTRY (with the exception of the Anything But Country sections). Songs of different genres performed in a country style are not permitted. The Committee holds the right to overrule judges if it is deemed a song does not fit this rule. If you require any clarification on your song choice, please contact the Committee prior to the Festival. Performers who do not follow this rule will be disqualified.
- All competitors must check-in with the Stage Manager at least 1 section before their section is scheduled to commence. Contestants will be called from the stage once and will be disqualified from competing in the section if they do not register after being called.
- The Committee may be required to split sections into heats. Competitors may not transfer from one heat to another unless authorised by the Committee.
- Sound equipment will be supplied by Charters Towers Country Music Inc. With the exception of instruments, no additional sound equipment can be supplied and used by competitors, including amplifiers, microphones and inner ear monitors.
- Competitors must not approach the judges during sections or they will be disqualified. This rule will be strictly enforced.
- Judging sheets will be available from the Stage Marshall Area at the conclusion of the Finals on Sunday night. Judging sheets can also be emailed upon request.
- Nomination fees will not be refunded.
- The Committee reserves the right to cancel any section, including due to insufficient entries at time of closing.
- Appropriate dress **must** be worn at all times on stage.
- The Committee has the right to refuse any person on stage who appears to be intoxicated.
- Contestants must supply three (3) legible chord charts for our professional backing band. The backing band has the right to refuse any contestants who do not meet the standard for chord charts. Contact the Committee for further clarification.
- Contestants are permitted to perform once only in either the Pee Wee Country Vocal or Juvenile Country Vocal section. Entry is not permitted to both sections.
- **GRAND FINALS** - Top three placegetters of each eligible section are invited to perform in the Grand Finals on Sunday night. Winners of the Junior, Adult and Open sections must perform a song that has not already been sung in any heats or sections over the weekend. Failure to adhere to this rule will result in disqualification. Pee Wee and Juvenile placegetters are exempt from this rule. Pee Wee Country Vocal winners will compete in the Juvenile Grand Finals. Contestants in the Grand Finals will perform once only as a solo, but can perform as a solo and as a winner of the Open Duo/Group. Contestants do not have to sing a song from the section they won.
- **Contestants must have competed in 3 sections to be eligible for the Grand Finals.**

## TALENT SEARCH SECTIONS RULES

- **Vocal Solo** – Live instrumental backing only, no vocal backing or harmony permitted.
- **Australian Bush Ballad** – A Bush Ballad is a song about the Australian bush, places, people, events, and attitudes. Live instrumental backing only, no vocal backing or harmony permitted.
- **Country Gospel** – Gospel must country and celebrate and praise God. Hymns sung in a country style will be disqualified. Live instrumental backing only, no vocal backing or harmony permitted.
- **Country Rock** – Live instrumental backing only, no vocal backing or harmony permitted.
- **Open Duo/Group** – Must consist of two or more members. Vocal harmonies are preferred. Competitors can compete only once in this section. One song will be performed. Live instrumental backing only.
- **Golden Oldies** – Live instrumental backing only, no vocal backing or harmony permitted.
- **Anything But Country** – Can be solo, duo or group. One appearance only in the section by a competitor. Recorded backing (MP3 etc.) is permitted, but tracks **MUST** be emailed to the Committee by Thursday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of May 2024. Failure to do so will result in being unable to use recorded backing. Placegetters in this section **are not eligible** to compete in the Grand Finals but will be presented a prize during the Presentations on Sunday Night. Entries will be capped at 15 entries for each Anything But Country section.

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