Best beef and cow capers

The quality of Centralian beef will be judged at the Alice Springs Show. There will be cattle, including bulls, in the yards in the southwest corner of the showground. There is even more reason to make sure not to miss this section of the show.

A carcass competition will be judged by representatives of Meat and Livestock Australia as part of the Centralian Beef Breeders Association celebrating 45 years of participation and rich history at the Alice Springs Show. The beef carcasses will be ranked on their overall merit, giving feedback to producers about compliance to market specifications, the yield of saleable meat and the potential eating quality of the meat.

After the judging, the beef will be sold through Alice Springs butcher stores.

A new feature of cattle section will be painted cut-outs of students from Alice Springs schools and the School of the Air on the topic of “Where does my food come from.”

“We asked students in the Alice Springs areas to be creative about where our diverse and vibrant foods originate by having fun decorating a cut-out wooden cow,” CBBA president Nicole Hayes said.

“They will be judged by patrons on the two days of the show with artistic effort being rewarded with special healthy food vouchers. Once again this year we are running the ‘Guess the Weight of the Steer’ competition for the public to participate in through entries at the CBBA secretary’s office in the Dick Cadzow Pavilion near the cattle yards. CBBA has a proud history of promoting the interests of Cattle Breeders in Central Australia and the improvement of Beef cattle quality. This history is displayed in the Dick Cadzow Pavilion. The Ted Hayes Playground is nearby for children to explore.

Also nearby is the Royal Flying Doctor Service canteen providing barbecue sandwiches and refreshments on show days from 9am until 6pm on Friday and Saturday.

The John Gorey Bar provides beverages from 11am until 6.30pm Friday and 11am until 5pm on Saturday.