## BELLINGER RIVER AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY LTD

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## engaging, entertaining & educating our community

## 2020 Bellingen Show Cancelled

The Bellinger River Agricultural Society Show Committee met on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March and resolved that given the uncertainty surrounding the future impact of the corona virus on public health in Australia, we had no option but to cancel the 2020 Bellingen Show.

This action was made in accordance with the current advice from the Federal and State Governments prohibiting non-essential gathering of more than 500 people and the likelihood that this or more severe restrictions would still be in place in May.

The Bellingen Show Committee is disappointed that we have had to take this action but recognise that it is our obligation to put the health of all our citizens-first and foremost.

The Bellingen Show has a history extending back almost 140 years and in that time has only been cancelled a few times, and then under exceptional circumstances. 2020 marked a period of rejuvenation for the show organising committee and while we are disappointed that the show will not be staged this year we are resolved that this important event will return in 2021 stronger and more focussed on engaging, entertaining and educating our wonderful community

We thank you very much for your support during these difficult times and wish you and your family a healthy and safe year.

Gillian Anderson

President

For and on behalf of the Committee Bellinger River Agricultural Society Ltd

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The Bellingen Show will continue to run their annual raffle and would appreciate support in this fund raising exercise to help defray some of our losses due to cancellation.