



Current DPIRD Advice - Avian Influenza

Murwillumbah Show 30 and 31 October 2026

Update based on current advice from DPIRD - poultry exhibits will be present at the Murwillumbah Show.

At this stage, agricultural shows can continue to operate as planned, and it is not anticipated to change, H5N1 spreads slowly, and there are little to no detections locally.

The decision to proceed with poultry and bird exhibitions remains at the discretion of each individual Show Society, considering its local circumstances and risk considerations.

We have looked at the distance both from current outbreaks and the buffer from the coast (bird flu is currently spreading through seabirds) and we are committed to safely having a full range of poultry exhibits.

Our risk management at this stage is as follows:

- **ensuring any birds presented for exhibition appear healthy and are not showing signs of illness;**
- **preventing contact between exhibited birds and wild or free-ranging birds wherever possible; and**
- **maintaining good hygiene practices for exhibitors, volunteers and visitors who come into contact with poultry or birds**

We will keep you updated

We are staying well-informed of information and providing timely updates

The Tweed River Agricultural Society will continue to liaise with DPIRD and monitor advice from both DPIRD and the Australian Government.

Should the situation change, or there be any changes to biosecurity requirements or recommendations that may affect agricultural shows, we will advise members and exhibitors as soon as possible.

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