

MISS WAGGA WAGGA QUEST FAQ'S

Q. IS IT A BEAUTY CONTEST?

The Miss Wagga Wagga Quest is one of the longest running charity events of its kind in Australia and is not about beauty and swimwear. The aim of the Miss Wagga Wagga Quest is to challenge yourself personally, gain valuable professional and social skills, make some amazing new friends and fundraise for local community groups and organisations. The most important attribute of a Miss Wagga Wagga Quest entrant is the ability to be yourself and have fun!

Q. WHY SHOULD I ENTER THE MWWQ?

The Miss Wagga Wagga Quest is the ideal setting in which to enhance your career opportunities, gain valuable etiquette skills and undergo personal growth. Past Quest entrants have commented on improved self-confidence, increased friendship circles, vital business and professional networks and a belief in themselves that they are able to achieve their life goals.

The Miss Wagga Wagga Quest enables entrants to positively contribute to the local community through fundraising for various service groups and organisations. This allows entrants to gain a greater understanding of the objectives of these organisations as well as providing increased awareness of the vital services they provided to our community.

As a Miss Wagga Wagga Quest entrant, you become a member of an exclusive group of women who believed in themselves enough to step outside of their comfort zones and personally challenge themselves. By doing so, the doors open to many future opportunities at the conclusion of the Quest. Former Quest entrants have achieved greater career prospects, secured positions on local community boards and served on various fundraising committees.

Q. WHAT IF I'M SHY?

The Miss Wagga Wagga Quest caters for young women of all personality types. The unique structure of the Quest ensures that one single entrant is not advantaged over other entrants. The knowledge and skills acquired by entrants and the encouraging, supportive environment in which the Quest is run makes it possible for a shy personality type to gain as much out of the Quest as a more outgoing personality type.

Q. IS THERE AN AGE LIMIT?

To enter the Miss Wagga Wagga Quest, you will need to be 18 years of age or over as at the Quest commencement date. There is no cut of age for Quest entrants. You are never too old to achieve your goals!

Q. WHAT DO I HAVE TO DO?

The role of Miss Wagga Wagga Quest entrants varies from year to year; however, there are a couple of factors that remain constant. The main role of Quest entrants is to collectively raise funds for nominated local beneficiaries which requires entrants to plan, organise and host fundraising events throughout the duration of the Quest. As an entrant in the Miss Wagga Wagga Quest you will be required to attend personal development sessions, community service projects and Civic events.

Q. HOW MUCH TIME WILL THIS TAKE EACH MONTH?

Becoming a Miss Wagga Wagga Quest requires a strong commitment. Whilst it is difficult to estimate the exact amount of time an entrant will need to contribute to the Quest, as the length of each function varies, it is expected that all entrants are to make a concerted effort to attend monthly Entrants' Foundation and Quest Committee meetings, personal development training and invitations organised by the Community Princess Foundation and the Quest Committee.

Entrants Entry Criteria

Entrants of the 2017 Miss Wagga Wagga Quest must qualify by:

- a)
 1. Being a resident of the Wagga Wagga Local Government Area
 2. Having their employment in the City of Wagga Wagga
 3. Being a member of the Defence Forces stationed at Kapooka or Forrest Hill with tenure of a minimum 2 years from the date of application
- b) Entrants must be natural born female at least 18 years of age at the commencement of the quest
- c) Entrants will remain single during the course of the quest and their title reign
- d) Entrants must contribute a \$650 entry fee. This may be in the form of sponsorship from a business, community organisation, club or individual
- e) All entrant nominations must meet with the approval of the Miss Wagga Wagga Quest Committee. Any such decision will be final.

Entrant Expectations

1. During the Quest year, an entrant will, at any Quest committee event or fundraising function wear the entrants sash or polo shirt (at the discretion of the Entrant Coordinator) and their name tag declaring the individual is an Entrant in the 2017 Miss Wagga Wagga Quest.
2. Entrants will use their endeavours to promote the Miss Wagga Wagga Quest, major sponsors and Entrant sponsors in a positive manner to the best of their ability.
3. Acknowledge that throughout the Quest they will be subject to judging at all events and specific interviewing panels to determine the eventual titleholders. Each entrant will be allowed to miss one event for family or personal reasons and will receive the average score received by the other entrants attending the event. If a further event is missed, no score will be awarded. Judging will be done anonymously by selected judges at each event and no scores are made available to the committee or entrants throughout the Quest.
4. Entrants will accept direction from the Miss Wagga Wagga Quest Committee and comply all reasonable requests.
5. Entrants will, to the best of their ability, attend all invitations to events organised by the Miss Wagga Wagga Quest Entrants or committee, and if unable to comply, will notify the Quest committee through the Entrants' coordinator at least 24 hours in advance where possible, followed by notification in writing.

6. Entrants will, to the best of their ability, attend all Entrants meetings as they are organised and will maintain confidentiality of all matters discussed within these meetings.

7. Entrants will, to the best of their ability, attend all personal development courses organised for them throughout the Quest year and if unable to comply will notify the Entrants coordinator at least 24 hours in advance where possible, followed by notification in writing.

8. At all times entrants will behave appropriately, as their behaviour will be a direct reflection of the Miss Wagga Wagga Quest, Wagga Wagga City Council and themselves.

9. All Entrants will be members of the Miss Wagga Wagga Quest fundraising efforts and shall take on roles at each fundraising function and activity.

10. Entrants will not be directly or indirectly associated with any competition or promotion which the Quest committee may deem to be in conflict with the Quest.

11. All business transacted on behalf of the Miss Wagga Wagga Quest will be recorded in the minutes of any committee meetings held.

12. The Miss Wagga Wagga Quest Committee will keep financial records of all functions and activities held in the manner directed and set out by the Treasurer.

12. All monies collected and handled by an entrant of the Miss Wagga Wagga Quest must be delivered to Committee Treasurer within 5 business days of the function.

14. Fundraising activities will comply with the following guidelines:

- They must comply with the Laws of the Land.
- They must not engage in or promote activities that would be considered immoral or offensive.
- The Entrant should lodge with the Miss Wagga Wagga Quest Committee all proposed fundraising activities.

15. Entrants will present themselves for interview(s) before a panel of judges preceding the Crowning Ceremony.

16. Entrants will present themselves for the Crowning Ceremony.

17. Entrants will attend the reception following the Crowning Ceremony.

Expectations of Miss Wagga Wagga and Community Princess

1. Winners of the Miss Wagga Wagga Quest will be known as Miss Wagga Wagga 2017 and Community Princess 2017.
2. During their reigning year, Miss Wagga Wagga and Community Princess will, at official Quest functions or Quest Committee event, wear the official sash and/or Brooch of the 2017 Miss Wagga Wagga Quest denoting their titles as well as their badge of office.
3. Miss Wagga Wagga and Community Princess will be required to wear the official tiara, sash and/or brooch of the Quest to official functions as appropriate.
4. Miss Wagga Wagga and Community Princess will use their endeavours to promote the Miss Wagga Wagga Quest, the Quest's sponsors and the City of Wagga Wagga in a positive manner to the best of their ability.
5. Miss Wagga Wagga and Community Princess, as part of their duties during their reigning year will be invited be members of the Quest committee following the end of their reign.
6. Miss Wagga Wagga and Community Princess will accept direction from the Quest Committee accordingly to comply with any reasonable request.
7. Miss Wagga Wagga and Community Princess will accept and attend, to the best of their ability, all invitations received or organised by the Miss Wagga Wagga Quest Entrants as appropriate to the office of Miss Wagga Wagga and Community Princess.
8. At all times, Miss Wagga Wagga and Community Princess will behave in a manner as befits the position of titleholder of the Miss Wagga Wagga Quest, as their behaviour continues to reflect upon the Miss Wagga Wagga Quest and the City of Wagga Wagga.
9. Miss Wagga Wagga and Community Princess will not be directly or indirectly associated with any competition or promotion which is deemed to be in conflict with the Quest and unacceptable to the Quest committee.
10. A member of the Miss Wagga Wagga Quest Committee shall act in an advisory role for Miss Wagga Wagga and Community Princess during their reigning year.

Prize Terms & Conditions

(a) The winners must take the prize trip within the time specified by the Miss Wagga Wagga Quest Committee each year prior to the conclusion of the Quest. The Winning trip destination is dependent on Sponsorship funds and will be at the discretion of the Miss Wagga Wagga Committee.

(b) When Miss Wagga Wagga and Community Princess visit host cities, they shall do so at the time that best suits the host sister city.

(c) All travel arrangements are to be submitted for approval by the Miss Wagga Wagga Quest Committee before travel arrangements are finalised.

(d) If a Sister City visit is unable to be taken within the 12 months of being awarded the title of Miss Wagga Wagga and Community Princess alternate travel arrangements will be made in conjunction with our travel Sponsors.

(d) Miss Wagga Wagga and Community Princess must depart from Wagga Wagga for their prize trip together. It is expected that they return to Wagga Wagga together, unless otherwise approved by the Miss Wagga Wagga Quest Committee

(e) The Miss Wagga Wagga Committee reserves the right to review each application for entry to the Quest based on the entry criteria, conflict with the traditional values of the Miss Wagga Wagga Quest as determined by the Miss Wagga Wagga Committee or if the number of applications exceed the number of entrants required.