

# 2025 Golden Gig, Sponsored by Maccas



## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

**Please ensure Terms and Conditions are fully understood prior to submitting your application. In making an application, you agree to abide by all instructions and conditions imposed by Tamworth Regional Council and acknowledge the following information:**

1. 2025 Golden Gig, Sponsored by Maccas Competition is organised and promoted by Tamworth Regional Council and is open to all music performers 17 years of age and under as at 17 January 2025.
2. There are two age-based categories to enter
  - 13 to 17 years
  - 12 and under
3. Only one entry is allowed per individual, duo or trio. You cannot participate in as an individual and in a group.
4. If you are performing in a duo or trio, the age category will be determined by the oldest member of the group.
5. Five finalists from each age category will be chosen by the judges across the four days of performances from Monday 20 January to Thursday 23 January 2025 and invited to perform in the Grand Final to take place in the morning on Friday 24 January 2025. These finalists will be notified of their inclusion by 4.00pm on Thursday 23 January 2025. If a chosen finalist is unable to attend the Grand Final, the organisers reserve the right to include a replacement chosen by the judging panel.
6. The top 3 place winners of both age categories will be expected to participate in the Country Music Parade on Saturday 25 January 2025 and perform as part of the Winners Showcase on the Golden Gig Stage, following the Parade on Saturday 25 January 2025.
7. The winners of both categories will be invited to perform a 15-minute spot on the FanZone Stage on Saturday, 25 January 2025.
8. Employees of the Organiser (Tamworth Regional Council) and their immediate families are ineligible to enter.
9. Any breach of these terms and conditions shall render the party ineligible for any prize in the competition and may also result in the party being asked to cease performing immediately.
10. Tamworth Regional Council reserves the right to alter conditions as circumstances dictate.

### Prizes

11. Each entrant will receive an official McDonalds Australia Limited Golden Gig certificate of entry and a Macca's Food Voucher on the day of their performance.
12. Age category – 13 to 17 years –
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Place will receive a Scholarship for a Junior Student Course valued at \$3,300 with The Academy, an initiative of the County Music Association of Australia Course, three separate professional mentoring opportunities with an industry leader (approximate length 20 minutes each at a mutually agreeable time/format), an electric-acoustic guitar, an invitation to perform a paid, two-song set with the house backing band on the Toyota Park main stage during the Tamworth Country Music Festival Opening Concert the following year, an invitation to perform a paid gig at the Australian Country Music Hall of Fame, \$500 cash plus a \$250 voucher from Capitol Music.

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- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place will receive \$400 cash plus a \$250 voucher from Capitol Music.
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Place will receive \$100 cash plus a \$250 voucher from Capitol Music.
13. Age category – 12 and under
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place will receive three separate professional mentoring opportunities with an industry leader (approximate length 20 minutes each at a mutually agreeable time/format), an electric-acoustic guitar, \$500 cash plus a \$250 voucher from Capitol Music.
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Place will receive \$400 cash plus a \$250 voucher from Capitol Music.
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Place will receive \$100 cash plus a \$250 voucher from Capitol Music.
14. In the event of prize unavailability due to unforeseen supply delays, a similar product of equal or higher RRP value will be offered to the winner. Prizes will be shipped to addresses in Australia only.

### Performance

15. Each solo performer will be invited to perform two (2) songs - maximum eight (8) minutes total.
16. Song choice must be age appropriate and of the country music genre.
17. A performer can be self-accompanied or allowed one additional musician to accompany them.
18. A three-piece band (guitar, bass and drums) is available to support each performer. Charts should be discussed with the band's Musical Director prior to 17<sup>th</sup> January 2025. Performers should approach the band at the registration desk 20 minutes prior to their performance to discuss their musical arrangements.
19. Event manager contact details and performance times will be provided to entrants prior to 17 January 2025.
20. Each performer must ensure that they do not exceed their performance time allowance. Strict time applies to include your set-up, performance and dismantle from stage.
21. It is the responsibility of the performer to report to the event manager no later than 20 minutes before the nominated time of their performance.
22. Microphones and instrument DI's will be provided by the organisers. Instruments and all other equipment must be supplied by the performer.
23. **Live music only.** Backing tracks, pre-recorded or pre-programmed music are **not permitted**.
24. The use of earpieces or In Ear Monitors (IEMs) is not permitted.
25. All electrical leads and electrical appliances brought on stage by the performer must be tested and tagged.
26. No damage is to be done to stages, equipment or other property. The performer shall be solely responsible for the care and correct use of all equipment and any damage shall be compensated to the Organisers.
27. No alcohol, illegal substances, cigarettes (including e-cigarettes/vapes) or bad language will be allowed on or around the stage or within the venue.
28. Tamworth Regional Council and McDonalds Australia Limited accepts no responsibility for the security and or any loss or damages incurred to performers or their instruments or equipment during the Tamworth Country Music Festival.

### Judging

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29. Participants will be judged on a list of criteria including performance delivery, stage presence, audience appeal, song choice being age appropriate and in the country music genre and raw talent.
30. The decision of the judges will be final and no discussion will be entered into. No critique is given to the performer at or following the event.
31. Entrants are expected to prepare and perform country music songs or songs reimagined to fit a country music style.

### Privacy Statement

32. Personal information supplied to or collected by Tamworth Regional Council will only be stored and processed by Council for lawful purposes directly related to the functions and activities of Council. Any personal information supplied will only be disclosed to a third party for the purpose of performing a lawful function or activity and for no other purpose. Disclosure of personal information to a third party will be in accordance with Tamworth Regional Council's [Privacy Management Plan](#).

### Covid-19

33. All participants are to comply with the current Public Health Orders and Government directed COVID-19 requirements in place at the time the event is held.

### Conditions

34. I hereby consent to Tamworth Regional Council and McDonald's Australia Limited to taking photographs and/or audio-visual footage of me for the use in publications, promotions, website or other material.
35. I indemnify Tamworth Regional Council, McDonald's Australia Limited and its employees and volunteers against any and all liabilities, claims and actions that may eventuate from performing in the Golden Gig, sponsored by Maccas competition during the 2025 Tamworth Country Music Festival, Friday 17 January to Sunday 26 January 2025.