



## Media release

# LOCAL PRODUCER CROWNED CHAMPION OF AUSTRALIAN DAIRY AT THE 2017 AUSTRALIAN GRAND DAIRY AWARDS

Listen up dairy lovers! Northcliffe is home to Australia's best Cream!

Bannister Downs Dairy Company's Double Cream has just been named the ultimate Champion in the Cream category at the prestigious 2017 Australian Grand Dairy Awards.

Now in its 18th year, the 2017 Australian Grand Dairy Awards, organised by Dairy Australia, recognised and rewarded Australia's top producers, naming 20 Champions out of a record 470 entries for their quality products, craftsmanship and for continuing to make a positive mark on the Australian dairy industry.

In what was a rigorous judging process, a panel of 24 expert judges tasted their way through hundreds of gold medal winning dairy foods – including cheese, ice cream, milk, butter, cream, yoghurt, dips and gelato – assessing flavour, aroma, texture, body and appearance.

The judges commended Bannister Downs Dairy Company's Double Cream saying it was a rich and indulgent cream, perfect served on its own with fresh strawberries, or as an accompaniment to your next show stopping dessert.

Suzanne Daubney of Bannister Downs said it's an honour to be recognised by the esteemed awards for their commitment to quality.

"Bannister Downs is very proud to receive the Champion Cream award at the 2017 Australian Grand Dairy Awards – it is an honour to be recognised at such a high level of competition and our entire team are very thrilled to celebrate the win by one of our favourite products," said Suzanne.

Amanda Menegazzo, convener of the Australian Grand Dairy Awards said, "These awards are the grand final of dairy competitions in Australia, recognising the talented Australian farmers and producers who bring such high quality dairy foods to our fridges.

"The quality and variety represented by our 2017 Champions marks a really exciting time for the industry and dairy lovers. It's really pleasing to see some of the country's most well known and loved brands alongside new-to-the market, artisan dairy products. We encourage Australians to look out for the blue and gold Champion and Grand Champion medals on pack and show their support for these talented Australian producers."

To view the full list of 2017 Australian Grand Dairy Awards Champions and Grand Champions visit: <http://www.legendairy.com.au/dairyawards>

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### About the Australian Grand Dairy Awards

The Australian Grand Dairy Awards recognise and reward excellence and quality in Australian dairy produce, paying tribute to the achievements of the highly-skilled specialists who develop and make these products. Created in 1999, the Australian Grand Dairy Awards are Australia's most prestigious national dairy awards and the highest accolade for Australian dairy producers. Visit <http://www.legendairy.com.au/dairyawards> for more information



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