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Pitching Team Info Pack

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Future Anything acknowledges the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the traditional custodians of the lands where we live, learn and work, and we celebrate their long and continuing connection with land, waters and culture.

Congratulations!

Your team is pitching at the Future Anything Activate National Grand Final 2023. The event takes place on Monday 20 November in person at The Triffid in Brisbane and live online.

This document tells you and your teachers everything you need to know to have the best chance of success and to enjoy a smooth experience on the day. **Please read this document carefully and complete the Checklist on page 5 to ensure you don't miss any deadlines and you're ready to rock and roll on the day!**

Contact

If you have any questions in advance of the event, please email us at **hello@futureanything.com**.

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Event Summary

EVENT DATE: Monday 20 November 2023

EVENT VENUE: The Triffid, 7/9 Stratton St, Newstead QLD 4006. **Venue map here.**
The Triffid is located on the land of the Turrbal and Jagera people.

EVENT TIMINGS (AEST):

12 noon (PROMPT)	**Pitching Teams arrive**
	Lunch (provided) & team building with Nic & Kate
12.30pm – 2pm	Full rehearsal for all pitching teams
2pm – 4pm	Working time - polish your pitch!
4pm – 4.30pm	Early dinner (provided) for all teams
5pm	Doors open – Audience & Judges visit Showcase
6pm	National Grand Final - Pitching Starts
c. 7pm – 7.20pm	Interval
8.45pm	**National Grand Final Ends & teams depart**.

SUPERVISION: Students MUST be accompanied by a teacher/supervisor.

TRANSPORT: We recommend you use public transport if you can, as parking can be tricky. It's a 100m walk to the Commercial Road CityGlider bus stop. From here, buses go to/from West End, South Brisbane, the CBD, and Fortitude Valley and Teneriffe. There's limited street parking around Newstead or you can pay for parking at the Gasworks. Paid parks are from 7am-7pm, and unmarked spots are only for 2 hours free parking.

Things to Do & Checklist

There is heaps of information in this document. You can use this checklist to help stay across all the key deadlines.

BEFORE THE DAY CHECKLIST

ITEM	INFO	DATE/ DEADLINE
Check the detailed event times and put the National Grand Final into your calendar.	See Page 5	**ASAP**
MENTORING: Book your 30-minute team pitch mentoring session with Nic Dyson **here.**	See Page 7	**ASAP**
SLIDE DECK Upload your slide deck (if using) in PowerPoint widescreen mode (16:9), clearly labelled with your school AND team name to **Drobox here**	See Page 6	**By 5pm AEST, Thurs 16 Nov**
DIETARY REQUIRMENTS: Email any special dietary requirements (any requirements received after the deadline cannot be accommodated) to information to **hello@futureanything.com**		**By 5pm AEST, Thurs 16 Nov**
FRIENDS & FAMILY TICKETS: Have your friends and family to register for the Grand Final at **www.futureanything.com/national-grand-final-2023**.	Page 8	**ASAP**

Supervision & Risk Management

- Participating schools are required to ensure a suitable level of staff supervision for their students attending the event.
- Schools are required to comply with their own school's risk management policies. A risk assessment exemplar is available **here**.
- You can access Future Anything's Public Liability Insurance Certificate **here**.

Event Format & Running Order

TEAMS & RUNNING ORDER

MONDAY 20 NOVEMBER 2023 **NATIONAL GRAND FINAL***	
12 noon (PROMPT)	Pitching teams: Arrive at venue for lunch & team building
12.30pm – 2pm	Full rehearsal for pitching teams
2pm – 4pm	Working time for pitching teams to finalise pitches
4pm	Early dinner (provided) for all teams
5pm	Doors open. Audience visits Showcase Expo + starts voting
6pm*	National Grand Final Starts
	PITCH 1: Ashan Industries (Canterbury College)
	PITCH 2: Paw Print Books (MacGregor SHS)
	PITCH 3: Special Bins (Kirwan SHS)
	PITCH 4: Chipz. (Brisbane South SSC)
7pm – 7.15pm	Intermission - audience visits Showcase
	PITCH 5: ReSeas (Fairholme College)
	PITCH 6: Clip-A-Case (QACI)
	PITCH 7: Unified First Aid (Ferny Grove SHS)
	PITCH 8: Rise (Marymount College)
	Judging & Future Anything Educator Awards 2023 winners announced
	Judges announce Grand Final Winner, Runner Up & People's Choice & Showcase Winners
8.30pm	National Grand Final ends

* Final running order for team pitches is subject to change.

HOW THE PITCHING WORKS:

- The Pitching Teams above will pitch live to a panel of judges.
- Pitches should last no more than 3 minutes. There will be c. four minutes Q&A from the judges for each team.
- The Grand Final Winner, Runner Up & Highly Commended will be chosen by the judges from the Pitching Teams. They will win funding and support to launch their business in the real world.
- Pitching teams DO NOT have a Showcase Expo display.
- **See Pitching Team FAQs on page 6 for further info for Pitching Teams**

Pitch FAQs

Q. HOW LONG SHOULD OUR PITCH BE?

Each team has **3 minutes** (max) to pitch your innovative, scalable and sustainable business idea. Out of respect for other teams, please stay to time. The judges may cut you off if you go over three minutes. We recommend you practice and time your pitch to ensure you're under the time limit.

Q. CAN WE USE SLIDES? HOW DO WE SUBMIT THEM?

Yes – please ensure you read the following info carefully:

- All slides must be created in PowerPoint Widescreen (16:9) mode. Text should be min. 20pt.
- **Final slides must be submitted by 5pm AEST on Thursday 16 November via Dropbox here:**

  https://www.dropbox.com/request/kZG4JxXAZnBCrUKEKXuv

- Slides submitted after this date will not be accepted.
- **Please ensure your slides are clearly labelled with both your Team and School Name.**

Q. WHAT SHOULD WE INCLUDE IN OUR PITCH?

The rubric the judges will be using is here (PDF). This is what they're interested in:

- **Innovation** – What problem is the idea solving? Why does this problem matter? Is your solution original or has it been done before? Why is your idea different to others?
- **Impact** – will your idea really make a difference? Is there potential for it to scale and grow? Is the idea sustainable? How will you measure your impact?
- **Implementation** - how will the idea happen? Is it realistic? Have you thought about things like budgets/timelines/risks? How will you make money?

Q. WHO ARE THE JUDGES? ARE THEY SCARY?

Meet the judges here. But no, they're not scary! They are all super interesting humans who are passionate about hearing new ideas and supporting emerging entrepreneurs. They have started lots of their own businesses and have all had successes, but also lots of failures. They all want to support you, the next generation of Aussie changemakers.

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Q. IS THERE ANY HELP OR SUPPORT AVAILABLE?

Yes! Pitching teams can access a 30-minute mentoring session Nicole Dyson from Future Anything. This is a great opportunity to get some feedback and advice and make your pitch go with a bang!

- Meet with Future Anything's **Nic Dyson** – **pick a time from Nic's calendar here.**

If the link above doesn't work for you, please try again off your school IT network or email Nic at nicoloe@futureanything.com .

Q. WHAT DO WE NEED TO BRING ON THE DAY?

- Refillable water bottle.
- Any prototypes or other materials to use during your pitch.
- Lunch and dinner will be provided. Feel free to bring snacks, and if you have any special dietary requirements, please email them to **hello@futureanything.com** by 16 November at the latest. We will not be able to accommodate any requirements received after this date.

Q. WHAT ARE THE PRIZES?

Prizes for the National Grand Final Winners will be announced close to the event date but will include both funding and support to help launch the winning ideas into the real world

Q. WHAT ABOUT TRAVEL & ACCOMMODATION?

All teams/schools are responsible for organizing their own travel and accommodation. We recommend booking as early as possible as costs increase close to the event date and Brisbane is already very busy on the night of the event. **There is a list of suggested accommodation options here.**

Thanks to the generosity of the Office of the Queensland Chief Entrepreneur and Advance Queensland, A modest bursary will be available to teams travelling from regional Queensland if required. Details on this (including exact amounts) will be shared with eligible teams.

Q. CAN OUR FRIENDS & FAMILY ATTEND?
HOW DO THEY GET TICKETS?

If your friends and family would like to attend on the night, or watch the pitching live online, they can grab a free ticket at **www.futureanything.com/national-grand-final-2023**

Please note: Pitching and Showcase students do not need to register for a ticket- seats will be reserved for you. All accompanying parents and teachers should book their seats via the link above.

We strongly encourage your supporters (family, teachers, friends, school community, supporters) to register for a ticket as soon as possible as this event WILL sell out!

Q. CAN WE PROMOTE THE EVENT ON SOCIALS?

You sure can! This is a wonderful opportunity for your friends, family and school community to see you in action. The link to promote on your socials for them to register is **https://futureanything.com/national-grand-final-2023/**

To rally support by posting on socials and work with your you can use **#BendingTheFuture** and, if you tag Future Anything, we'll share too!

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- Twitter: **@future_anything**
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