

Thanks for being a part of Laird Leatherman Competition 2021, being held Friday 13th August.

Laird Leatherman has been a joint collaboration between Mannhaus and The Laird since 2008 – we hope you enjoy being a part of its history.

Attached to this document you should find the following documents for this year's comp. Please return completed application via email, post or in person at The Laird or Mannhaus.

- Event run-down and judging criteria
- Contestant application, bio and waiver forms

On the <u>Thursday 12th August</u> there are 3 compulsory sessions you are required to attend.

1. **Contestant Info Session** (7.30-8pm). You will be able to chat to our host(s) and/or one of our previous Laird Leathermen, go over any final questions and learn some valuable stage tips such as effective microphone use. You can bring along a buddy to the info session.

2. *Judges Three-on-One Session* (8-9pm). You will be asked one personal/bio based question from each judge. Maximum 8 minutes per contestant. Results form 20% of LLM Competition scoring.

3. *High Shine: Meet The Contestants* (9.30pm-late). You will be called to the stage around 10:30/11pm. A very brief intro from host(s) followed by you drawing your contestant number. This Outfit for this is your choice and you won't be judged during this event (not by the judges anyway). It'll just be getting up on stage and being introduced – no surprises!

Good luck, and please email or call with any questions you have – we're here to support everyone and make this a sexy, fun and exciting event.

NOTE:

- Places are limited and earliest submissions are prioritized.
- Previous Laird Leatherman contestants cannot compete the following year.

Please sign and return this form by Wednesday 4th August 2021 at latest.

Once submitted, please email a profile picture to contact@lairdhotel.com. A high resolution JPEG or PDF is preferred.

Brett and Mark, The Laird Paul and Richard, Mannhaus



EVENT RUN-DOWN and JUDGING CRITERIA

Here are some details of how Laird Leatherman 2021 will run and what you'll need on the night. If you have any questions whatsoever please feel free to email or call me.

<u>PART 1</u>

INTRODUCTION – FULL LEATHER AND INTRO You will be asked at least one question by host. You need: Your best leathers -

Contestants judged on their overall appearance in leather on stage. Judges will be looking for how well your gear fits you, your attitude and overall appeal in leather. You are given 2 minutes to introduce yourself, explain why you should be Laird Leatherman 2021 and answer one question from hosts.

JUDGING GUIDELINES

- 1. Answer
- 2. First glance/appeal
- 3. Grooming/fit
- 4. Stage presence/confidence
- 5. Attitude

<u>PART 2</u> JOCK STRAP and QUESTION TIME You need: your best leather jockstrap.

Contestants judged on their overall appearance in a jockstrap on stage, including style and fit of jockstrap. Judges will be asking contestants a question and then looking to see how contestants compose themselves and how well they articulate their response(s).

JUDGING GUIDELINES

- 1. Answer
- 2. Stage presence/confidence
- 3. Jock style
- 4. Jock fit

PART 3 GOT TALENT?

It's the final round and your last chance to show the judges why you should be Laird Leatherman 2021. Are you multi-talented or bloody great at one thing? Public speaking, juggling (or other things with balls?), singing, dancing or stripping? Either way, make it your moment!

JUDGING GUIDELINES

- 1. Appeal
- 2. Originality
- 3. Grooming

*Please ensure to advise us if you require any audio or if there will be any liquids or other hazardous elements involved.

The judge's scores will then be tallied and the results announced in the final segment of the evening.

CONTESTANT APPLICATION FORM

Full Name	
Stage Name (if preferred)*	
Phone Number	
Email	
Address	
Occupation	
Hobbies/interests	
Club affiliations – not restricted to leather or fetish	
Volunteer activities	
Favourite leather item and why	
First leather experience	
Comments	

*Please be advised that if the winning contestant uses a stage name for the competition, their real name will be used for duration of title year.

I do hereby state the following:

- I am a male identifying Australian resident over the age of 18 years.
- I agree to participate in the Laird Leatherman (LLM) 2021 competition at the Laird Hotel, Friday 13th August 2021.
- I agree to attend the three above-mentioned events on Thursday 12th August and acknowledge that failure to do so may result in disqualification from competition.
- I waive any claims against Laird Hotel and Mannhaus, their owners, staff and agents for any loss or injury to myself or my possessions while participating in this contest or at any related events.
- I release Laird Hotel and Mannhaus, their owners, staff and agents for the use of any photography or video footage of myself that can and may be used in the promotion of or reporting of this contest or any related events.

If successful as winner of Laird Leatherman 2021:

- I agree to appear at a minimum of 3 events as Laird Leatherman 2021. This includes creating and managing a fundraising initiative to benefit something I and/ or the community are passionate about.
- I understand that I will be a representative of the Laird Hotel and Mannhaus within local and international leather communities, and will do so with pride and professionalism at all times.
- I agree to appear at LLM 2022 as a judge.
- I understand that I shall not compete in another local or international competition under the Laird Leatherman title until the successful completion of my title year, and then only with approval of Mannhaus and The Laird. I also agree that approval to compete may not include financial support from Mannhaus or The Laird.

