

# Could Longreach be Home to Australia's Best Butt?

Local Lad gets Second Shot at Best Butt Title

LONGREACH -- A local lad has been given a do-over in the quest for the Australia's Best Butt title in the eighth annual search for our nation's nicest backside. Stan Lees, 30, was crowned the male winner of 2012's first Australia's Best Butt heat at the Cattlemen's Bar and Grill in Longreach this evening (Wednesday, March 21, 2012). It is the second time Stan has taken out a local heat -- the first time was in 2010 -- and the judges commended him for his butt's personality, maneuverability and all-round audience appeal. Stan was one of 20 Best Butt contenders -- some in fur jackets -- who braved the cold, wet weather to warm up their buns with some booty dancing, all in the name of a good time. Karissa Gester took out the women's round in a tough competition that put her ahead of fellow competitor Shae-Ellen King by just a few points. Deciding on the tonight's finalists wasn't an easy task for the judging panel. "We expected a certain amount of craziness, but Longreach went above and beyond the call of duty to deliver a very entertaining night," said Samantha Kimlin. "I don't think I've ever seen such enthusiastic butt wiggling, bottom jiggling, booty shaking, hip thrusting or pelvis gyrating. If tonight's performances were anything to go by, the Julia Creek final is going to be a cracker of a night." Stan Lees and Karissa Gester will now attend the Finals held at the annual Dirt n Dust Festival in Julia Creek from April 20-22, 2012. The overall winners will hold the Australia's Best Butt title for a year and appear on all promotional material for the following 12 months. Heat 2 of Australia's Best Butt will be held at the Riverview Tavern in Townsville on Thursday, March 29, 2012 from 7pm. Registrations will be taken on the night. Entrants must be over 18 years and be wearing jeans, pants or long shorts.

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