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ALL STAR AUSTRALIAN LINE UP ANNOUNCED FOR AUSTROS 2023

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The Real Estate Institute of Australia (REIA) is delighted to announce Australia's eleven competitors to the Australasian Auctioneering Championship (AUSTROS) 2023.

Mr Groves said the eleven competitors will set the standard when AUSTROS heads across the pond to New Zealand from 17 – 19 September 2023.

“Despite headwinds of interest rates and inflation, Australia's auctioneers have been out in force running strong auction campaigns for Australian property customers.

“Clearance rates remain high in key auction led markets with vendors continuing achieving profitable sales results well above reserve, proving the benefits of using a skilled auctioneer.

“Of course, the more challenging the economy, the more challenging the auction and it is auctioneers that can adapt to these conditions and have the hammer fall for a successful sale despite these challenges demonstrates the depth of skill our auctioneers have.”

“This year, there's some familiar faces amongst the competitors along with some newcomers keen to hone their skills through what is traditionally a very difficult contest.”

The AUSTROS 2023 Australian competitors are:

1. Alec Brown, Ray White Canberra, Australian Capital Territory
2. Bronte Manuel, Toop & Toop, South Australia
3. Clarence White, Menck White Auctioneers, New South Wales
4. Greg Allan, Apollo Auctions, Queensland
5. Greg Brydon, Ray White Cheltenham, Victoria
6. Luke Banitsiotis, Woodards Real Estate, Victoria
7. Mark MacCabe, Apollo Auctions, Queensland
8. Richard Kerr, Apollo Auctions, Western Australia
9. Robbie Smith, Ray White Unley, South Australia
10. Sandra Masters, LJ Hooker Group, Australian Capital Territory
11. Stuart Ritchie, McGrath Estate Agents, New South Wales



Mr Groves encouraged the Australian industry to head across the pond for AUSTROS 2023, returning to Auckland, New Zealand for the first time since 2018.

“AUSTROS is always a great networking event with a broad cross section of the Australian and New Zealand industry coming together and I encourage members of the industry and allied supporters to head to New Zealand for the competition this year.”

AUSTROS is independently judged by an expert panel of auctioneers; and is marked on strict criteria against a devised bidding process.

Tickets to AUSTROS 2023 can be purchased [here](#). Limited sponsorship opportunities are [also available](#).

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