

14 August 2017

A super Sideshow for thrillseekers

It was all about the frocks and fillies at the Royal Queensland Show (Ekka) today with Thoroughbred Day being held – and now Super Tuesday is riding on in.

Tomorrow from 10am to 4pm, Ekka goers will enjoy two for one ride deals in Sideshow Alley and in the children's carnival area, plus 15 per cent off ticket prices online.

Super Ride Tuesday is now in its second year and is once again expected to be a crowd pleaser.

Here's what's in store for Day 5 (tomorrow) at Queensland's biggest annual event:

MEDIA DOORSTOP: 11.30am with RNA President David Thomas or Chief Executive Brendan Christou on Heritage Hill overlooking the Main Arena.

Day 5: Tuesday 9 August – JUDGING HIGHLIGHTS

- 9am-12noon - Junior Showjumping - Main Arena (L8)
- 8am-2pm - Hack horse judging - Main Arena (L8)
- 8.30am-5pm - Cat judging - Shorthair Cats – RACQ Animal Nursery (O-10)
- 9am-5pm - Dairy goat judging - Oval No. 2 (H-5)
- 9am-5pm - Canine judging – Group 4, Hounds – Dog Pavilion (P11)
- 12noon-5pm - Woodchop - Tree felling, double handed open sawing and underhand - Woodchop Arena (G-3)

HERE WE GOAT AGAIN KIDS

No kidding - the cutest kids in town will be here tomorrow for the Dairy Goat Junior Handlers competition. See some of our youngest competitors decked out in white coats parading around their animals. **WHERE: Oval 2 WHEN: At 9.15am**

OUR YOUNGEST TO BE THE JUDGE

Budding judges will put their skills to the test across competitions from sculpture to contemporary cake decorating and even fish, in the Young Judges presented by Queensland Agricultural Colleges. The competition includes a Junior Class for under 15 year olds and a Senior Class for 15 to 25 year olds. Don't miss these next generation Ekka judges in action. **WHERE: Lower Royal International Convention Centre WHEN: From 9am**

AIN'T NOTHING BUT A HOUND DOG

With their acute sense of smell, the hound dogs including Basset Hounds, Beagles and Dachshunds will take centre stage in the Dog Pavilion tomorrow for judging. **WHEN: From 9am WHERE: Dog Pavilion (P-11)**

VIRTUAL TOUR TO SHOWCASE BEEF

Meat & Livestock Australia (MLA) is launching its stunning new virtual reality Paddock to Plate 360 Experience tomorrow - bringing to life Australia's world class beef production systems through a 360 degree experience shot across the Australian beef supply chain. Ekka visitors will immerse themselves in the story of Australia's beef production, from the farm right through to the consumer, using this innovative virtual reality technology. **WHEN: 10am WHERE: MLA stand, Beef Pavilion (M-4)**

BRANCOS STAR SAMMY IS HERE!

Eleven Brisbane Broncos players, including favourite Sam Thaiday, will be making an appearance at the Ekka tomorrow from 3.30pm to 4.30pm. They'll be signing autographs and getting selfies with NRL fans at various XXXX, Coca-Cola and Sirromet areas.

MAKING FEATHERED FRIENDS

Six of Australia's most beautiful bird species will take flight as they soar across the audience and show off their unique personalities in the new Feathered Friends Bird Flight Show. The crowd will watch on in awe as these stunning birds, including the endangered Red-tailed Black Cockatoo, free-fly right above their heads to take centre stage. The audience will have fun getting to know them - the most intelligent bird in the team, the cheeky Sulphur Crested Cockatoo, will even demonstrate how he picks fruit from trees and even picks money from wallets! **WHERE: Entertainment and Fashion Stage WHEN: 3pm, 4pm & 5pm**

EKKA ESSENTIALS

- August 11 – 20, 2017
- Brisbane Showgrounds, 600 Gregory Terrace, Bowen Hills, Queensland
- Gates open at 9am
- Tickets are available online at www.ekka.com.au

EDITORS PLEASE NOTE:

The 2017 Ekka Media Kit is now available to download. It is the most comprehensive information guide to the show - to download please visit www.ekka.com.au/media-centre

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