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## Giant pumpkins roll in for Ekka comp

The Ekka countdown has begun with the Royal Queensland Show's Giant Pumpkin Competition set to tip the scales in 2015.

Entries are now open to the larger than life competition which will once again welcome the true heavyweights of the vegie patch.

It's is extreme gardening at its best, with farmers and amateur gardeners alike competing for the coveted blue ribbon and the prestigious title of Champion Heaviest Pumpkin of Show.

Last year's winner from Minden, Geoff Frohloff, took out the top gong with his whopping 204kg pumpkin. It was a sweet victory after months of growing the enormous pumpkin and showering it with TLC (and Geoff's top secret mulch).

With the success of the 2014 competition and the sheer size of the pumpkins, the iconic Ekka event is once again being held outside of the Ekka dates to take advantage of premium pumpkin growing season.

Be prepared to be amazed when the giant orange vegetables roll in for weighing and awards at Pillow Talk Ipswich on Saturday, May 9.

Horticulture dates back to the first show held in 1876 and pumpkins have always played an important role in competitions and displays during the show. The larger than life winners will be on display in the Agricultural Hall during Ekka from 7-16 August – only 150 days away.

If you think your pumpkin is destined for big things, put it to the test. Entries open today and you can enter here <http://www.royalqueenslandshow.com.au/>

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