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PETER'S DRUMSTICK PARADE OFFERS A DAILY FUN DOSE

A highlight of the 2003 Ekka, August 7 to 16, will be the colourful daily Peter's Drumstick Parade of animals and cartoon characters through the RNA grounds, giving patrons a close up and interactive glimpse of the range of fun and entertainment options available to them.

The Nickelodeon characters from Dreamworld will be joined by stilt walkers, clowns, giant fruit and veggies, Bubalus Buffalo, Golden Circle's Pineapple Pete and a host of other marchers and dancers to wind their way through Ekka streets at 1pm each day.

The Singing Butchers, calypso bands and school marching bands will be part of procession line-up along with the Holden Precision Ute and Mr Bean Comedy Car.

Horses and other livestock, including llamas and baby animals will add to the mix and the fun for onlookers.

The Horse Expo parade, which has been a popular feature of the show for the past two years, will be incorporated into the procession of Tuesday, August 12 and Thursday, August 14.

Led by the massive CUB Clydesdales the Horse Expo section of the parade will feature a wide range of horse breeds on show with riders dressed in the country of the breed origin from the feathers and buckskin of American Red Indians astride Pinto ponies to the Spanish flouncers of Andalusian riders and the more modest jodhpurs and hacking jackets of Australian breed riders.

The parade is part of the fun image created as the theme for this year's Royal Queensland Show
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