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## Ekka comes early for children at Lady Cilento Children's Hospital

**TOMORROW**, Ekka fun will prove to be the best medicine for children and their families at the Lady Cilento Children's Hospital, with the annual pre-Ekka party bringing entertainers, showbags, baby animals and a mini Sideshow Alley right to their front lawn.

For more than a decade, the RNA and Children's Hospital Foundation have joined forces to put some Ekka smiles on the faces of kids who can't attend Queensland's largest and most loved event due to injury or illness.

RNA Chief Executive Brendan Christou said it was an honour to continue the long-standing tradition.

"It's a privilege to provide a welcome distraction and some Ekka fun to families and patients who can't get to the show," he said.

Tomorrow the kids will have fun with puppies Chase and Marshall from PAW Patrol; the African acrobatic act Zimboyz; rising country music star Felicity Kircher; the Ekka's Cuddly Farmyard Friends and plenty of other entertainers – plus they'll even get an Ekka showbag delivered to their bedside.

**WHEN:** TOMORROW – Wednesday 3 August, 2016

**TIME:** From 10am – 12.30pm

**Best time for media – 10.30am -11.30am**

**WHERE:** **The Green, Lady Cilento Children's Hospital, Raymond Terrace, South Brisbane**  
Meeting point for media is the Central Information Desk, Level 2, Lady Cilento Children's Hospital

**WHAT:** For the children who can leave their beds there will be baby animals, pony rides, roving entertainers, Police dogs, Ekka food and whip crackers on the front lawn.

RNA President David Thomas and Chief Executive Brendan Christou, along with entertainers, will take showbags to the children in the wards.

**PARKING:** Centre for Children's Health Research loading dock (through the boom gate).

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