

August 13, 2016

## Boom! Ekka's last day is going to be SUPERSIZED!

Ekka action won't stop until 11pm tomorrow (Sunday!)

The Main Arena will become entertainment central, with non-stop action from 9.30am till 8pm. All the favourites will take to the ring...the burnout competition, Penny Farthing race, FMX Freestyle Kings, Dave Manchon horse trick show, QCAS Utes, Trots and so much more.

Of course it will all finish with the biggest night show spectacular - EkkaNITES!

This year's country music star will be decided at the final of the Ekka Country Music Showdown and don't miss the crowning of the 2016 Sausage King.

**You can keep your energy levels up with SUPER FOOD SUNDAY – 2.4.1 menu items at participating outlets, all adding up to supersized value, fun and entertainment for Ekka Day 10!**

### Here's what's in store for the final day of Ekka16:

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

#### **SUPER FOOD SUNDAY**

A dollar will go twice as far tomorrow with Super Food Sunday where Ekka guests can buy one, get one free menu item at more than 50 participating outlets. Each food outlet will have a sign and will specify a meal or product that is part of the 2 for 1 deal. Some of the show favourites on offer include Wagyu sausage plates, tacos, gnocchi, cupcakes, scones, chips and Dagwood Dogs.

#### **COUNTRY MUSIC SHOWDOWN**

The hidden gems of Queensland country music will be unearthed at the Ekka's Country Music Showdown Competition. The rising country music stars will showcase their talent to Ekka guests and get a true live music experience when they are backed by live band The Kelly Gang. This year the Ekka has doubled the value of the prize pool up for grabs, taking it to a whopping \$11,000! The first prize in the junior competition (aged 12-16) is valued at \$5,251 and includes the sought-after Troy Casser-Daley Ekka Country Music Scholarship to the Tamworth Academy of Country Music. **WHERE: XXXX Stockmen's Bar and Grill. WHEN: 10.30am - 1pm Juniors, 3pm – 6pm Opens and Awards.**

#### **RACING INTO THE 90th ANNIVERSARY OF EXHIBITION SPEEDWAY**

See the legendary speedway drivers of yesteryear as we celebrate the 90th anniversary of Exhibition Speedway at the Brisbane Showgrounds - its original home. Speedway racing took off at the showgrounds on October 16, 1926 and many world records have been set on this historic track. Two of

those legendary world record holders, Bill Goode and Blair Shepherd, will both be reminiscing as they speed around the Main Arena. **WHEN: 11am and 3pm**

## **BEST SNAGS SET TO SIZZLE**

Queensland's best snags and beef patties will be revealed tomorrow at the AMIC Sausage King and Best Butcher's Burger Competition. The state's winners will be crowned on the Royal Queensland Food and Wine Show Cooking Stage. The Sausage King Competition, now in its 16th year, discovers the best sausages in the state, while the Best Butcher's Burger unearths the tastiest beef patty. **WHEN: From 9am – for media enquiries please contact Rob Mollison from AMIC on 0414 446 074.**

## **DOGS WITH TRICKS & CUTE LITTLE KITTENS!**

Head to the Dog Pavilion to see the dogs with serious skills, including Agility; Jumping, Rally Obedience; and Dances with Dogs. (9am – 5pm). Or if you prefer little kittens, the Kitten Feature Show judging (including Litters) is today in the RACQ Animal Nursery. **WHEN: 8.30am – 5pm.**

## **HALF THE SIZE, DOUBLE THE FUN**

Don't miss the Mini Trots presented by Racing Queensland. These pint sized ponies are too cute for words as they race around the Main Arena with their drivers. **WHEN: 10.45am – 11am**

## **GOTTA CATCH EM ALL!**

Pokemon hunters can keep their energy up with Super Food Sunday as they hunt for Pokemon at Ekka. The RNA is dropping lures to attract Pokemon in time for Ekka's final day.

## **GARDENING GURU AT EKKA**

Jason Hodges from Better Homes and Gardens will take centre stage at The Old Museum Precinct. He'll join Matt Carroll (aka Hortiman) on the Flower and Garden Platform Stage for a Q&A and to be part of an activity demonstration. **WHEN: 1pm**

## **Ekka Essentials:**

- Royal Queensland Show (Ekka) August 5 – 14, 2016
- Brisbane Showgrounds, 600 Gregory Terrace, Bowen Hills, Queensland
- Gates open at 9am
- Tickets are available online at [www.ekka.com.au](http://www.ekka.com.au)

## **EDITORS PLEASE NOTE:**

The 2016 Ekka Media Kit is now available to download. It is the most comprehensive information guide to the show, to download please visit <https://www.ekka.com.au/media-centre/media-kit>

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