



**CORN ON THE COB, \$4**

"Very refreshing, so sweet and juicy. It wasn't lathered with oil, just salt and pepper. So good!"

9/10



**STRAWBERRY SUNDAE, \$4.50**

"Absolutely delicious. I think I could have about 10 in a row. It was lovely and fresh, a good balance of cream and ice cream and strawberries, an absolute winner."

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**FAIRY FLOSS BAG, \$4.50**

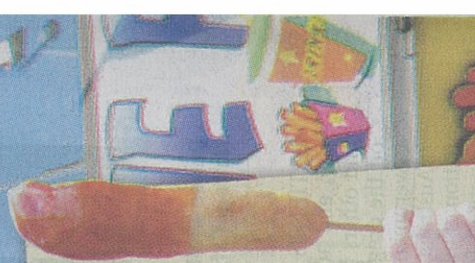
"The fairy floss was fun, colourful and playful. It took me back to my childhood - it's something you have to have at the Ekka. I can see why the kids love it. It's a little too sugary and I couldn't finish the whole bag but it's an Ekka favourite."

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**DAGWOOD DOG, \$5**

"The dagwood dog was good. It was tasty with plenty of tomato sauce but the batter could have been more crisp. It's an Ekka treat you have to have!"

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# Great choice in Ekka fare

**Anooska Tucker-Evans  
Anna Chisholm**

FOR MasterChef contestant Ellie Paxton-Hall, going to the Royal Queensland Show has been a part of growing up in Brisbane.

"I usually go every year with my family," the 21-year-old said. "It's a good day out with everyone and it's a time to relax and there are so many different things that interest everyone."

But for the amateur cook and reality-TV star, this year her Ekka adventure has been all about the food.

The Sunday Mail sent the young queen of the kitchen along as our official taste tester - critiquing everything from fairy floss and dagwood dogs to eye fillet and Thai prawns.

"I was actually really surprised by the variety of food. It suited every demographic pretty much," she said.

"I was most surprised by the Woolworths Pavilion. I thought that was awesome. There were prawns, African food, everything."



She said the Ekka was no longer just about indulging in deep-fried fare, with amazing healthy choices such as sushi and seafood, and less traditional dishes including yum cha and German sausages.

While Paxton-Hall revealed she was usually a burger and

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Don't miss the video of Ellie's Ekka food journey [thesundaymail.com.au](http://thesundaymail.com.au)

chips girl when it came to Ekka cuisine, this year, she

said her eyes had been opened to a new feast of culinary delights.

"I thought the overall quality was really good. Everything was well made, there were quality ingredients. I think it's a really impressive selection of food."



**Elimination round:** MasterChef contestant Ellie Paxton-Hall (main picture) tucks into a chip on a stick at the Ekka, and (left) taste-tests scones while CWA members Joyce Bell, Beverley Cannon, Mary Martyn and Kerry Hampstead look on.

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