

August 14, 2025

The cream of the crop on show tomorrow

It will be an Ekka of a Friday tomorrow when the champions of the small breeds cattle and the dairy cows are crowned on day 7 of the Royal Queensland Show (Ekka) presented by Bank of Queensland (BOQ).

Tomorrow dairy cattle will compete for the title of Supreme Champion Dairy Cow, while it's time for the small breeds to shine with the stud beef small breeds being judged.

With great weather and temperatures predicted for the rest of the Show, come on down Queensland and take advantage of the last Super Saver Day on Friday with 20% off tickets plus the new free child Dreamworld ticket offer for every purchaser of a child Ekka ticket on Friday 15 August.

By night's end more than 30,000 people are expected to have passed through the gates at Ekka today.

Yesterday, almost 77,000 people came through the gates on the public holiday – the biggest People's Day crowd in 17 years!

Here's what's in store for Day 7 tomorrow:

TOMORROW'S HIGHLIGHTS – Friday 15 August – DAY 7

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11am with RNA President David Thomas or Chief Executive Brendan Christou on Heritage Hill overlooking the Main Arena.

JUDGING HIGHLIGHTS:

- From 7am – Farriers & Blacksmith – Junior and Senior Novice Eagle Eye, Intermediate Eagle Eye, Open Eagle Eye, Novice and Open Judges Choice, Three Man Draught (Team Event), Master's Class – 50 years and over – Stockman's Rest
- From 8.30am – Canine judging – Gundogs Group Judging – in Sushi Hub Dog Pavilion
- From 8am – Sheep Competition – School Class, Level 2, Large Animal Pavilion
- From 8.30am – Horse judging – Best ANSA 2 years old & Under, Champion and Reserve ANSA Gelding, Mare and Stallion, Open Pony Hacks, Child's Show Pony Hack (from 1.30pm), ANSA Under Saddle (from 3pm), Equestrian Fancy Dress (5.30pm) – Main Arena
- From 10am – Showjumping Competition – Group C Showjumping contest, Young Riders Jumping Contest, Group B and Group A, Junior 6 Bar – Main Arena

- From 9am – Dairy Cattle Judging – All Breed Junior, intermediate Udder and Intermediate Dairy Classes Judging
- From 9.30am – Woodchop & Sawing Competition – Open 325mm Underhand Handicap First Division First Heat (9.30am), Open 250mm Standing Block Handicap First Heat (9.42am), Open 325mm Standing Block Championship of Australia Final (3.45pm), 300mm Underhand Hard Hitting Championship of Australia Final (4.45pm) – Ekka Woodchop Arena presented by AAM.

DAIRY QUEENS HOLD COURT

On Friday, dairy cattle will take centre stage in the Main Arena when members of Queensland's dairy industry gather for judging and the presentation of the prestigious title of Supreme Dairy Cow of Show from 2.30pm. Dairy cattle have been exhibited at the Ekka for more than a century and tomorrow the Show will welcome one of the largest dairy cattle competitions in Australia with around 230 entries. The cream of Queensland's dairy industry will be showcased across the following breeds – Illawarra, Jersey, Holstein and Combined.

When: From 2.30pm, Main Arena

DRESSED TO IMPRESS

The Ekka's horse competitions are an impressive showcase of equestrian excellence, showjumping thrills, breed diversity and fashionable flair. New this year are two Equestrian Fancy Dress classes to be judged on Friday 15 August.

When: 5.30pm, Main Arena

DAIRY GOATS UDDERLY THE BEST

One of Queensland's largest annual gatherings of dairy goats returns to the Ekka, with judging now taking place across two days – Friday 15 and Saturday 16 August. Eight popular breeds including Anglo-Nubian, Australian Melaan/Australian Brown, British Alpine, Lamanha, Nigerian Dwarf, Saanen and Toggenburg will be joined by entries in a newly introduced 'All Other Breeds' class. This addition allows dairy goats of unlisted breeds, registered with the Dairy Goat Society of Australia, to compete in both in-milk and dry classes. Highlights include the Junior Handlers Competition at 11am on Friday and the prestigious Supreme Champion Dairy Doe of Show title awarded on Saturday 16 August.

When: From 11am, Level 1 Large Animal Pavilion

WOODCHOP LEGENDS BATTLE FOR THE CROWN

Chips are continuing to fly in the Woodchop and Sawing Competition and on Friday, Woodchop competitors will vie for national titles including the prestigious Open 325mm Standing Block Championship of Australia (3.35pm), and the Open 300mm Standing Block Hard Hitting Championship where the number of hits, not time, determines the winner (4.45pm).

When: From 9.30am, Ekka Woodchop Arena presented by AAM

ADVANCING AG EDUCATION

The Ag Education Hall is a fun, interactive and educational experience for kids, featuring a range of agriculture inspired activities and displays. Strawberry Sundae Lane presented by Bank of Queensland (BOQ) is an exciting educational activation that brings one of the Show's most iconic treats – the strawberry sundae- to life through 10 interactive elements. Another hands-on activity in the Hall is the Flower Crown Making presented by Toowoomba Carnival of Flowers – where kids can design and make their very own flower crowns using fresh flowers and craft materials.

When: From 9am, Agricultural Education Hall

MINI ME'S MEASURE UP

The big beef cattle have had their turn in the spotlight and now it's time for the Small Breeds Stud Beef Cattle to star. They measure up to just over a metre in stature and will take to the Main Arena tomorrow. The pint-sized breeds to be judged include Highland, Miniature Greys, Miniature Hereford, Dexter, Australian Lowline and Australian Heritage Angus.

When: From 1.30pm, Main Arena

EKKA ESSENTIALS:

- Royal Queensland Show (Ekka) August 9 – 17, 2025
- Brisbane Showgrounds, 600 Gregory Terrace, Bowen Hills, Queensland
- Gates open at 9am
- Tickets are available online at www.ekka.com.au

EDITORS PLEASE NOTE:

The 2025 Ekka Media Kit is available to download. It is the most comprehensive information guide to the show – to download please visit [Media Kit](#)

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