

August 15, 2026

One Ekka of a Supersized Kids Sunday finale!

After eight days of incredible competitions, fireworks, food, and traditions that have lasted 150 years, the final day of the 2026 Royal Queensland Show presented by the Bank of Queensland (BOQ) is set to be a showstopper.

Super Kids Sunday (tomorrow) is offering 20% off children's tickets plus 2-4-1 on Kids Carnival rides displaying the pink Super Kids Sunday sticker, from 9.30am to 2.30pm.

It's going to be a cracker with the crowning of Ekka's Keppel Dagwood Dog Eating Champion and the Australian Whipcracking Women and Men's Champions, while the trick, rally and dancing dogs, and the cutest of kittens are sure to entertain.

Don't miss the final day of the Ekka's 150th anniversary show which continues to thrill and delight.

Today, on Super Saturday, around 50,000 are expected to have passed through the gates at Ekka by night's end.

Here's what 's in store for the final day of the 150th Ekka tomorrow:

Day 9: Sunday 16 August – HIGHLIGHTS

MEDIA DOORSTOP – 11.15am tomorrow

RNA President David Thomas or Chief Executive Brendan Christou will be available on Heritage Hill overlooking the Main Arena.

JUDGING HIGHLIGHTS:

- From 8am – Farriers and Blacksmiths Competition – Including Junior and Senior Novice Shoeing, Intermediate Shoeing, Open Forging, Keith Swan Memorial Blacksmiths Home Exhibit, Industrial Home Exhibit Blacksmithing plus special awards including Most Successful Exhibitor, Stockman's Rest
- From 8.30am – Horse Judging – Including Smartest on Parade, Australian Stock Horse (Under Saddle) Harness – Light Horses, Ponies and Shetlands, Working Australian Stock Horse, and Harness – Ponies 14 Hands & Under, Main Arena
- From 9am – Dog All Sports Competition presented by Sushi Hub – Rally, Dances with Dogs and then Trick Dogs at Sushi Hub Dog Pavilion
- From 9am – Cat Competition presented by Sushi Hub – Kitten Show Judging and Desexed Cat Show Judging – Sushi Hub Cat Precinct
- From 9.30am – Showjumping Competition – Junior Championship – Jump Off Competition and Young Riders – Competition Over Two Rounds, Main Arena

A CRACKING GOOD TIME

When: 9am to 4.30pm, Woodchop Arena presented by AAM

Prepare for lightning-fast routines and thunderous whip cracks as the nation's best whipcrackers descend on the Ekka for the Australian Whipcracking Titles hosted by the Australian Whipcrackers & Plaiters Association presented by R.M. Williams & Packer Leather.

More than 40 state champions will compete across multiple divisions including PeeWee, Juvenile, Junior, Ladies, Mens, Over 45s, and the fiercely contested World Bullock Whip Championships. Watch as the reigning Australian Women's and Men's Champions defend their titles, judged on accuracy, technical prowess, flow, the volume of the crack, and personal presentation. This high energy event is a true celebration of Australian heritage, craftsmanship, and showmanship.

HELLO KITTY

When: From 9am, Sushi Hub Cat Precinct

The Cat Competition presented by Sushi Hub wraps up tomorrow with the judging of desexed cats and the dedicated Kitten Show, giving feline fans one last chance to catch these purr-fect pets in action.

TALENT ABOUNDS

When: Rally Dogs from 9am; Dances with Dogs from 12pm; Trick Dogs from 2pm (approximate times), Sushi Hub Dog Pavilion

Head to the Sushi Hub Dog Pavilion to see some amazingly clever canines, including Trick Dogs, Rally Dogs and the Dances with Dogs. You'll love watching these hounds dance, bound and bounce their way towards a blue ribbon.

WEBBY VS THE WORLD - KEPPEL DAGWOOD DOG EATING COMPETITION

When: 12pm to 2pm, XXXX Stockmen's Bar & Grill

Ekka's legendary Keppel Dagwood Dog Eating Competition returns with a special 150th year twist in 2026. Officially sanctioned by Competitive Eating Australia, the new format for Ekka's milestone year will see each competitor given five minutes to eat as many full-sized Keppel Dagwood Dogs as possible.

The new format creates the opportunity to set a brand-new Ekka record in 2026, while also allowing a true comparison between what reigning champion J Webby Can Eat can achieve against the rest of the field. J Webby Can Eat, the reigning Ekka Professional Division champion and one of Australia's most recognised competitive eaters holds one of the event's standout records after eating 20 Dagwood Dogs in just 4 minutes and 15 seconds in 2023.

BEAUT UTE PARADE

When: 12:30pm Parade, Main Arena

Calling all Ute enthusiasts! The humble Aussie Ute has been a mainstay on Australian roads for almost a century and this year they return to the Ekka for their very own grand parade. More than 15 Utes and their proud owners will compete across several classes including Street, BnS, 4x4, and Novelty. They will proudly parade around the Main Arena from 12:30 pm on Sunday, showcasing their vehicles' personality, pride, and true-blue Australian spirit.

QLD REDS VISIT ROYAL QUEENSLAND COOKING STAGE

When: 1pm to 1.45pm, Royal Queensland Cooking Stage, Woolworths Fresh Food Pavilion

Queensland Reds players Dre Pakeho and Tim Ryan along with Cooking Stage hosts Dominique Rizzo and Donna Cazzolato will share with guests the value of nutrition when cooking food and preparing children and young adults for sporting activities.

FRESH & FRUITY AG HALL BARGAINS

When: From 3pm until all sold out! Ag Education Hall

In a time-honoured tradition, on Sunday visitors have the chance to stock up on crisp, colourful fruit and vegetables at prices they'll love. Displays in the Ekka's Ag Education Hall will be selling their prized produce at dirt cheap prices.

DON'T MISS THE EKKANITES FINALE

When: From 6.30pm to 8pm, Main Arena

It's the last chance to see the 2026 EkkaNITES show which proudly celebrates 150 years of the Show with a spectacular tribute to the people, traditions, and pioneering spirit that have shaped Queensland and Australia. Be amazed as the Main Arena comes alive through storytelling, music, and unforgettable performances that capture the beauty, resilience and spirit of the outback. From the roar of engines to the beating of hooves, EkkaNITES 2026 is a bold, immersive spectacle worthy of 150 years.

EKKA ESSENTIALS:

- Royal Queensland Show (Ekka) August 8 – 16, 2026
- Brisbane Showgrounds, 600 Gregory Terrace, Bowen Hills, Queensland
- Gates open at 9am
- Tickets are available online at www.ekka.com.au
- The 2026 Ekka is celebrating its 150th anniversary.

EDITORS PLEASE NOTE:

The 2026 Ekka Media Kit is available to download. It is the most comprehensive information guide to the show – to download please visit [Media Kit](http://www.ekka.com.au)

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